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FRIDAY 16TH TO SUNDAY 18TH JULY 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

to include IRC Solent Region Championship Event 2



Abbreviations:

NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association
OSR: World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations
UKFCA: U.K Folkboat Class Association

RSYC: Royal Solent Yacht Club
RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organising authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2. COVID-19 GOVERNMENT'S REGULATIONS & GUIDELINES

2.1 Competitors must confirm that they have read the Government's COVID-19 Regulations & Guidelines for outdoors sports and recreation and will be mindful of the importance of it when sailing together with any guidance or procedures specified by the Royal Solent Yacht Club and the RYA to COVID-19. Please inspect the Royal Solent Yacht Club Water-based Risk Assessment Form which can be found on the 'Response to COVID' page on the website.

3. RULES

3.1 Racing will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021– 2024 (including the Racing Charter), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

3.2 The following RRS are changed:

3.2.1 RRS 35, Time Limits, will be changed by the Sailing Instructions.

3.2.2 RRS 90.3 and Appendix A2 is amended by 12.2, there will be no discard.

3.2.3 The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

3.2.4 In the event of conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

4. REGULATIONS

4.1 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2020-2021 Category 4 (monohulls) shall apply to all Classes, except day boats, with the following amendments:

4.1.1 OSR 4.26. is amended to the extent that no Class shall be required to carry storm/ trysails.

4.1.2 OSR 3.14 (lifelines, stanchions and pulpits) shall not apply to IRC Classic Cruiser, IRC Swan or gaff-rigged yachts.

5. CLASS RULES

5.1 Boats shall comply with their class rules except as changed herein or by the Sailing Instructions.

5.1.1 There will be no penalty for Folkboats that do not comply with NFIA Class Rule 13.10 (Crew Limitation) or NFIA Class Rule 8.20 (headsail furling) and Folkboats are permitted to use spinnakers as per UK Class Regulation Part 11 1.4.

5.1.2 IRC Rule 22.4. shall not apply. There are no limitations on crew number or weight for IRC Classes.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Boats may carry advertising as allowed by World Sailing advertising code unless their class rules further restrict what may be carried.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the RSYC.

7. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 7.1 The Regatta is open to boats of the following classes:
 - 7.1.1 IRC [*Ratings from 0.780 to 1.360*]
 - 7.1.2 IRC Swan
 - 7.1.3 IRC Classic Cruiser [*Defined as Monohull designed & built for recreational purposes in wood or steel to a pre-1970 design*].
 - 7.1.4 RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (TCF will be calculated in accordance with NHC base handicap but will not be modified during the Regatta)
 - 7.1.5 One Design Classes: XOD, YOD, Contessa 32, J24, J109, J70, J80, J111, VX 10, Sonatas, Sigma 38, SB20, Folkboat (British or Nordic Folkboats that comply with NFIA and UKFCA Class Regulations and Rules (as changed herein or by the Sailing Instructions; Racing will be level rated).
- 7.2 Racing will not take place for classes with fewer than 6 entries, in which case entry fees will be refunded or classes amalgamated at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.
- 7.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing the online booking system on the RSYC website at www.royalsolent.org by **Monday 12th July**; entries after this time and date may be allowed at the discretion of the Regatta Committee and may incur a financial penalty.
- 7.4 **A parental consent form shall be completed and returned to the RSYC Sailing Office by Friday 9th July in respect of all persons under 18 years of age on Saturday 17th July 2021 who will be on board during racing**; forms are available from the website (www.royalsolent.org) and Sailing Office (sailing@royalsolent.org).
- 7.5 Entry fees are as follows:

	Early Bird	Standard	Late
	Until 4 th June	5 th June - 4 th July	5 th - 12 th July
Entry fees (dayboat/keelboat)	£33 / £68	£56 / £108	£69 / £133

8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1 A representative from each boat is requested to attend registration at RSYC on Friday 16th July from 16:00hrs until 18:30hrs (alternatively from 08:00 - 08:30hrs on Saturday 17th July).
- 8.2 **A briefing for skippers may be held at RSYC at 08:00hrs on Saturday 17th July.**
- 8.3 Each class is scheduled to have two races on Saturday and one race on Sunday.
- 8.4 If one or both races on Saturday are cancelled a second race may take place on Sunday. Notice of a second race on Sunday will be given on the RSYC website, via WhatsApp and/or VHF listening channel not later than 19:00hrs on Saturday 17th

July.

- 8.5 Racing on Saturday and Sunday will not start before 09:00hrs or after 15:00hrs on Sunday.

9. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS

- 9.1 Each boat in IRC classes must have an up to date IRC rating certificate. **Entrants who do not have a current rating certificate by Monday 12th July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.**
- 9.2 RYA NHC entrants shall provide to the on line entry system at the time of entering or as soon as is practicable the details required for their handicap to be calculated; **Entrants who do not provide the required details by Monday 12th July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.** Handicaps will not be modified after each race.
- 9.3 A list of all handicaps will be available on the RSYC website.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on the website, www.royalsolent.org, not later than 1st July.
Sailing Instructions will NOT be available from the Committee Boat.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 Racing will be in the Western Solent and the Western Approaches to the Solent.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 The Low Points scoring system will be used except that RRS 90.3 and Appendix A2 is amended in that there will be no discard.

13. VHF RADIO & COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 All Classes when racing shall carry an operational VHF radio. Any Class Rule prohibiting the carrying of VHF radios is changed by this paragraph.
- 13.2 Radio communication channels to competitors will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 13.3 A mobile phone **MUST** be registered for the finishing Declaration.

14. WHATSAPP

- 14.1 Entries may register one mobile phone number to receive general information by WhatsApp. The course will not be sent by WhatsApp.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes for each class will be presented at the Prize Giving after racing on Sunday at the Royal Solent Yacht Club. Prize Giving will not take place before 14:00hrs. The time for vacating Yarmouth Harbour moorings on Sunday has been extended to 17:00hrs to enable competitors to attend the Prize Giving.
- 15.2 A bottle of Taittinger Champagne will be awarded to each overall class winner.
- 15.3 The first XOD Race on Saturday will count as Allot Cup Race 4, and George 8, the second as Allot Cup Race 5 and Persephone 2, or if there is no second race, the first

and only race will count as Allot Cup Race 4, George 8 and Persephone 2.
The Sunday XOD Race will count as Allot Cup 4, 5 or 6 and as Persephone 2 depending on the number of races completed on Saturday.

- 15.4 The winners of each class will be entered into a ballot for the prize of a seven night stay for two people at the Edelweiss & Gurgl hotel in Obergurgl, Austria.
- 15.5 Racing on Saturday and Sunday includes the IRC Solent Region Championship Event 2.

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - a. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - g. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the venue or event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

17. INSURANCE

- 17.1 All boats are required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims including cover for racing in the sum of at least £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling). By entering, entrants declare that such cover will be maintained in full force throughout the regatta and agree to allow the RSYC, at its discretion, to pass on their contact details to third party insurers in the event of a possible insurance claim.

18. EMERGENCY CONTACT

- 18.1 For safety reasons, all entrants shall provide via the online entry form the details requested therein of a shore-based person who will be contactable during the Regatta and who will have an up to date list of the boat’s crew and skipper and their emergency contact details.

19 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

19.1 For further information, please contact the Royal Solent Yacht Club during business hours on 01983 760256 or at www.royalsolent.org.

Results will be processed in the Secretary's office.

19.2 Entrants requiring **harbour berths should book via the RSYC online booking system**; the time for vacating berths on Sunday has been extended to 17:00hrs to enable entrants to attend Prize Giving.

For further information re harbour facilities please contact Yarmouth Harbour:

Telephone: 01983760321

www.yarmouthharbour.co.uk

email: info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk.

19.3 An overnight sail repair service will be available from Harriet at The Sail Loft after racing on Saturday: Tel: 07792 777 995 or 01983 248589.

email: info@sailcare.co.uk

20. **SOCIAL EVENTS**

20.1 All Regatta Social Bookings should be made via the online booking system.