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# *NOTICE OF RACE 2023*

*to include IRC Solent Region Championship Event 3*



Royal Solent Yacht Club is a trading name of  
 Royal Solent Yacht Club Ltd.  
 Registered Office, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, PO41 0NS  
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## Abbreviations:

NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association  
OSR: World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations  
UKFCA: UK 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 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the following classes:

2.1.1 IRC [*Ratings from 0.780 to 1.360* ]

2.1.2 IRC Swan

2.1.3 IRC Classic Cruiser [*Defined as Monohull designed & built for recreational purposes in wood or steel to a pre-1970 design*].

2.1.4 RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (TCF will be calculated in accordance with NHC base handicap but will not be modified during the regatta)

2.1.5 One Design Classes: XOD, YOD, Contessa 32, J24, J105, J109, J70, J80, J111, P40s, 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).

2.2 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.

2.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing the online booking system on the RSYC website at [www.royalsolent.org](http://www.royalsolent.org) by midnight **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**; entries after this time and date may be allowed at the discretion of the Regatta Committee and may incur a financial penalty.

2.4 **A Parental Consent Form shall be completed and returned to the RSYC Sailing Office by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July** in respect of all persons aged under 18 years on Saturday **15<sup>th</sup> July 2023** who will be on board during racing.

Please click here to complete the form: [Parental Consent Form \(jotform.com\)](http://jotform.com) or email the Sailing Office ([sailing@royalsolent.org](mailto:sailing@royalsolent.org)).

2.5 Entry fees are as follows:

		<b>Standard</b>	<b>Late</b>
	<b>Until midnight 29th May</b>	<b>30th May until midnight 21st June</b>	<b>22nd June until midnight 7th July</b>
Entry fees (dayboats / keelboats)	£45 / £105	£85 / £165	£105 / £205

### **3. SCHEDULE**

- 3.1 A representative from each boat is requested to attend registration at RSYC on Friday 14th July from 16:30~18:30hrs (or from 08:00~08:30hrs on Saturday 15th July).
- 3.2 **A briefing for skippers may be held at RSYC at 08:00hrs Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Copies of the briefing will be given out at Registration.**
- 3.3 Each class is scheduled to have a minimum of two races on Saturday and one race on Sunday.
- 3.4 If a third race is proposed on Saturday, competitors will be notified via VHF and/or WhatsApp.
- 3.5 If either 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 15<sup>th</sup> July.
- 3.6 Start sequences will not begin before 09:00hrs on Saturday & Sunday, or after 15:00hrs on Sunday.

### **4. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS**

- 4.1 Each boat in IRC classes must have an up to date IRC rating certificate. **Entrants who do not have a current rating certificate by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.**
- 4.2 RYA NHC entrants shall provide to the online 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 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.** Handicaps will not be modified after each race.
- 4.3 A list of all handicaps will be available on the RSYC website.

### **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on the website, [www.royalsolent.org](http://www.royalsolent.org), no later than 12<sup>th</sup> July.  
**Sailing Instructions will NOT be available from the Committee Boat.**

## **6. COURSES**

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

## **7. SCORING**

- 7.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.  
7.2 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.

## **8. VHF RADIO & COMMUNICATION**

- 8.1 All classes when racing shall carry an operational VHF radio. Any class rule prohibiting the carrying of VHF radios is changed by this paragraph.  
8.2 Radio communication channels to competitors will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.  
8.3 A mobile phone **MUST** be registered for the finishing declaration.

## **9. WHATSAPP**

- 9.1 A QR code to scan for information via WhatsApp will be available on the website, at registration and in the welcome packs.

## **10. PRIZES**

- 10.1 Prizes for each class will be presented at the prize giving as soon as possible after racing on Sunday at the Royal Solent Yacht Club. The time for vacating Yarmouth Harbour moorings on Sunday has been extended to 17:00hrs to enable competitors to attend the prize giving.  
10.2 A bottle of Taittinger champagne will be awarded to each overall class winner.  
10.3 A Jeroboam of Taittinger champagne will be awarded to the overall regatta winner.  
10.4 The first XOD race on Saturday will count towards the George Cup. The first and last race of the regatta will count towards both the Allot Cup series and the Golden Tiller series. The second race of the regatta will be the Persephone 2. Only those eligible Lymington/Yarmouth boats will be entitled to compete in the George Cup race/Allot Cup races/Persephone 2.  
10.5 The regatta will be the Folkboat Summer Weekend series 2.  
10.6 The regatta will include the IRC Solent Region Championship event 3.  
10.7 The winners of each class will be entered into a ballot for the prize of a seven day stay for two people at the Edelweiss & Gurgl hotel in Obergurgl, Austria. However, only those present at prize giving will be able to win this prize.

## **11. RISK STATEMENT**

- 11.1 Rule 3 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.”
- 11.2 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.

## **12. INSURANCE**

- 12.1 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 £5,000,000 (five 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.

## **13. EMERGENCY CONTACT**

- 13.1 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.

#### **14. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 14.1 For further information, please contact the Royal Solent Yacht Club during business hours on 01983 760256 or email [sailing@royalsolent.org](mailto:sailing@royalsolent.org). Results will be processed in the Sailing Office and will be published on the RSYC website.
- 14.2 Entrants requiring **harbour berths for Friday & Saturday nights for race and/or nanny boats 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 and/or protests. For further information re harbour facilities please contact Yarmouth Harbour:  
Telephone: 01983 760321  
Website: [www.yarmouth-harbour.co.uk](http://www.yarmouth-harbour.co.uk) and  
Email: [info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk](mailto:info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk).

#### **15. SOCIAL EVENTS**

- 15.1 All regatta social bookings should be made via the online booking system.

#### **16. FILMING OF THE REGATTA**

- 16.1 Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority its agents, sponsors, licensees and other partners, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed materials of or relating to the event, which may include images of competitors, boats, support vessels, crew, sponsors and helpers provided that they do not infringe the privacy rights of participants and provided that the Organising Authority shall not use such images to create a direct endorsement by or from a competitor or any person, sponsor, product or service associated with a competitor, without the prior consent of the competitor. The Organising Authority reserves the right to edit and make alterations to images and footage to include the use of 'virtual' sponsor branding



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