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TAITTINGER ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB REGATTA

FRIDAY 4th - SUNDAY 6th JULY 2025

NOTICE OF RACE 2025

to include IRC Solent Championship Event 3



Royal Solent Yacht Club is a trading name of
Royal Solent Yacht Club Ltd.
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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.
- 1.2 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3 The official noticeboard will be online at the Royal Solent Yacht Club website, or via this weblink: [2025 TR Main](#)
- 1.4 The event messaging system will be WhatsApp.
- 1.5 The penalty for a breach of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The event is open to boats of the following classes:
 - 2.1.1 IRC [*Ratings from 0.780 to 1.490*]
 - 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 event)
 - 2.1.5 One Design Classes: XOD, YOD, Contessa 32, J24, J105, J109, J70, J80, J111, P40s, Sonatas, Sigma 38, 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, unless changed by the Sailing Instructions).
- 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 Race Committee.
- 2.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing the online booking system on the RSYC website at [2025 TR Main](#) by midnight Wednesday 25th June.
- 2.4 Entry fees are as follows:

	Earlybird	Standard	Late
Entry fees	Until midnight 20 th May	21 st May until midnight 12 th June	13 th June until midnight 25 th June
Dayboats	£60	£90	£115
Other Keelboats	£120	£175	£220

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1 A representative from each boat is requested to attend registration at RSYC on Friday 4th July from 1630~1830 (or from 0800~0830 on Saturday 5th July).

- 3.2 There will be no in-person briefing, notes will be included in the welcome pack.
- 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 to be scheduled on Saturday, competitors will be notified via VHF and/or WhatsApp.
- 3.5 If less than two races are completed on Saturday, a second race may be scheduled 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 1900 on Saturday 5th July.
- 3.6 Start sequences will not begin before 0900 on Saturday & Sunday, or after 1500 on Sunday.

4. REGATTA PENNANT

- 4.1 Boats whilst racing should fly their class flag and the Regatta pennant on their backstay. If no permanent backstay is present, the flag should be flown prominently from the rig, gallows or similar structure.

5. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS

- 5.1 Each boat in IRC classes shall have an up-to-date IRC rating certificate.
- 5.2 RYA NHC entrants shall provide to the online booking system at the time of entering or as soon as is practicable the details required for their handicap to be calculated. Handicaps will not be modified after each race.
- 5.3 A list of all handicaps will be available on the RSYC website.

6. EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 6.1 Race Officials may inspect any boat at their discretion. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable instruction to facilitate equipment inspection.
- 6.2 No boat shall race with an anchor protruding over its bow.
- 6.3 RRS 52, Manual Power, shall not apply. Stored power is permitted for the adjustment or operation of running rigging provided this has been declared as required to the appropriate class or rating authority.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on the website [2025 TR Main](#) no later than 2nd July.

Sailing Instructions will NOT be available from the Committee Boat.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 Racing will be in the Western Solent, the Western approaches to the Solent, and the Central Solent.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 The Low Points scoring system will be used except that RRS 90.3 and Appendix

A2 are amended in that there will be no discard.

10. VHF RADIO & COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 All boats when racing shall carry an operational VHF radio. Should this result in a breach of a class rule, the penalty for a breach of that class rule will be zero.
- 10.2 Radio communication channels to competitors will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.3 A mobile phone shall be registered for the finishing declaration; a boat failing to register a mobile phone may be scored DNF without a hearing.
This changes RRS A5.1.

11. WHATSAPP

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

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 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.
- 12.2 A bottle of Taittinger Champagne will be awarded to each overall class winner.
- 12.3 A Jeroboam of Taittinger Champagne will be awarded to the overall event winner.
- 12.4 For the XOD class, the first XOD race on Saturday will count towards the George Cup. The first and last race of the event will count towards both the Allot Cup series and the Golden Tiller series. The second race of the event will be a Persephone race. Only those eligible Lymington/Yarmouth XOD boats will be entitled to compete in the George Cup Series/Allot Cup Series/Persephone.
- 12.5 The event will be the Folkboat Summer Weekend series 2.
- 12.6 The event will include the IRC Solent Championship event 3.
- 12.7 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 eligible.

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1 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."
- 13.2 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.
 - h) Boats shall comply with their class safety regulations (if any).
 - i) All boats should carry a visual means of attracting attention when in distress, a suitable tow rope and secure means of attachment to enable a tow.

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1 All boats shall be adequately insured while racing, and in particular 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 event 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.

15. EMERGENCY CONTACT

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

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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Regatta Information page on the Club's website: [2025 TR Main](#) or contact the Royal Solent Yacht Club during business hours on 01983 760256 or email sailing@royalsolent.org.

Results will be processed in the Sailing Office and will be published on the Club's website.

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 1700 to enable entrants to attend prize giving and/or protests.

For further information re harbour facilities please contact Yarmouth Harbour:
Telephone: 01983 760321

Web: www.yarmouth-harbour.co.uk Email: info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk.

SOCIAL EVENTS

All event social bookings should be made via the online booking system.



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