Saturday 22nd - Friday 28th August 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

for

Nordic, Classic and Cruisers

Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven

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Abbreviations:
RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing
NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association Rules
UKFAR: UK Folkboat Association Class Rules and Regulations.
RSYC: Royal Solent Yacht Club.
TCF: Time Correction Factor.

1 Organising Authority.

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2 The Rules

2.1 The Event will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 RRS 35 (time limits) as laid out in Appendix 1, may be changed by the Sailing Instructions.

3 Communication

3.1 The official Notice Board is located at Folkboat Week 2026 - Royal Solent Yacht Club

3.2 In addition to the official Notice Board, communication with competitors will be on VHF channel 72.

3.3 The event messaging system will be via WhatsApp to mobile numbers provided by competitors for communications.

3.4 All boats will carry an operational VHF radio while racing, proceeding to a race or returning from a race.

3.5 A boat that retires from a race shall make every effort to inform the Race Committee as soon as practical.

4 Class Rules

4.1 The Nordic Folkboat International Association Rules and UK Class Rules and Regulations shall apply, except that there shall be no penalty for a breach of NFIA Class Rule 13.10 (Crew Limitation).

4.2 UKFAR A3.3 (eligibility) may be waived at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4.3 This Notice of Race may be changed or supplemented by the entry form, Sailing Instructions or by a notice or poster on the official Notice Board.

5 Advertising

5.1 Advertising is required by the Organising Authority.

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6. Eligibility and Entry for Folkboat Week.

6.1 Racing will be in three divisions: **Open, Classic and Cruisers.**

6.2 **Open Division**

Eligible One Design Nordic Folkboats are invited to enter the Open Division. Racing in this Division will be level rated, and must comply with all the current NFIA Rules.

6.3 **Classic Division**

Entries are invited from eligible Folkboats (including Mariholm or I. Folkboats) which are fitted out for coastal cruising and which may have an engine, either inboard, or a transom hung outboard. A TCF will be applied to the elapsed time. See paragraphs 10.2.4 and 10.2.5

6.4 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.

6.5 Entries should be made online, which together with the appropriate entry fee shall have been received by the Royal Solent Yacht Club no later than midnight Sunday 16th August 2026.

6.6 **All helms in Open and Classic Division must be Full or Associate Members of the UK Folkboat Association and shall have paid their subscriptions for 2026 prior to 10 July 2026. (Not applicable to the Cruiser Division).**

6.7 Overseas helms/boats in Open Division, will be temporary members on the payment of £10 to the UK Folkboat Association.

6.8 **Cruiser Division**

There will be short trips on shore and out to anchorages planned for Cruisers, no racing involved, crews are eligible to join in all social events.

7 Schedule of Races/Time Limit and Fees Payable

7.1 Racing Schedule & Time Limits will be as per Appendix 1. This changes RRS 35.

7.2 The Time Limit or Schedule for races may be varied by the Organising Committee; changes will be published on the RSYC Notice Board not later than 0800 on the day of the race and may also be published on the RSYC website and WhatsApp.

7.3 Fees payable online, as Appendix 1, by midnight Sunday 16th August 2026.

8 Venue and Racing Area

8.1 The venue will be RSYC, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, PO41 0NS.

8.2 Racing will be in the Western and Central Solent and may include the Western Approaches to the Solent.

8.3 **Haulout Restrictions:**

Boats may not be hauled out during Folkboat week without the express prior permission of the P.R.O. Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means from noon Friday 21st August until after noon Friday 28th August.

8.4 Courses may be transmitted only by **VHF on Channel 72.**

9 Sailing Instructions

9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available from the RSYC Sailing Office, or the RSYC website Folkboat Week 2026 - Royal Solent Yacht Club no later than 8th August 2026.

9.2 Cruisers will receive their Itinerary on Saturday 22nd August at the RSYC opening party.

10 Scoring system Folkboat Week

10.1 The minimum number of races to constitute a series is 2.

10.2 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Low Points System Appendix A as amended below:

10.2.1 If 6 or more races are completed a boat's worst score will be discarded (unless RRS 90.3 (b) applies).

10.2.2. The score for a boat that does not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. This changes RRS A5.2, A5.3.

10.2.3 Rule 90.3 (e) shall apply.

10.2.4 Classics/Cruisers will use the AERA YTC RYA RORC Rating System which will have to be applied for directly by each entrant. YTC Application Form.

10.2.5 Four standard weights have been agreed with RORC for boats with inboard/outboard engines as follows:

Nordic Folkboat with outboard = 1,940kg
Nordic Folkboat with inboard = 2,026kg
British Folkboat with outboard = 2,234kg
British Folkboat with inboard = 2,320kg

10.2.6 Classics/Cruisers cannot use genoas and must use their jib for all racing.

11 Penalty System

11.1 The Two Turn Penalty is modified to a One Turn Penalty, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe in the same direction, is required. This changes RRS 44.1.

11.2 Exoneration Penalty.
A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2, or Part 3 RRS 31 may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of a related protest hearing, notify the Race Committee that she accepts a 20% scoring penalty as stated in RRS 44.3(c), (except that the minimum penalty is two places if that does not result in a score worse than DNF). This penalty does not reverse an OCS score, a disqualification under RRS 30.3 or a penalty under RRS Appendix P.

11.3 It is not available for a breach of RRS 2 or of class rules or for gross misconduct under RRS 69. Nor is it available to a boat that caused injury or serious damage, or gained a significant advantage by her breach: in these circumstances, her penalty is to retire.

11.4 When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted:

a). Neither the boat nor a Protest Committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.

b). The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the Protest Committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rule.

11.5 For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, the Protest Committee may decide the penalty.

a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibil-

12 Safety

12.1 **See British Folkboat racing Regulations; see UKFAR Rule 6.3.**

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." 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 RSYC 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.

14 Inspections

14.1 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

15 Insurance

15.1 All boats shall have for the duration of the Regatta adequate insurance cover and in particular shall have insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £5,000,000 or equivalent.

15.2 Data Protection. The use of any personal data shall comply with current legislation. Further information can be found here: Personal Data Protection/Privacy Policy (royalsolent.org)

16 Prizes

16.1 There will be a daily Prizegiving for Open and Classic Divisions during Folkboat week.

16.2 Keeper Prizes, sponsored by Lymington Yacht Haven, will be awarded for both Divisions.

16.3 The following trophies will be awarded:

The NFIA Trophy: overall winner in the Open Division and Keeper Prizes for overall 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Engined Boat Trophy: overall winner in the Classic Division and Keeper prizes for overall 1st and 2nd .

Lymington Yacht Haven Trophy: the first Open Division boat in the Long Solent Race.

Colin Gray Trophy: the first Classic Division boat in the Long Solent Race.

Scanyacht Nordic Plaque: the overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 Open Division.
Scanyacht Rose Bowl: the overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 Classic Division.
The Ratsey & Lapthorn Trophy: the overall winner Windward/Leeward Races Open Division.
The Lymington Yacht Haven Tankard: the overall winner Windward/Leeward Races Classic Division
Alan Davis Salver: the first Open Division Boat in the Christchurch Ledge Race .
Jack Riddle Challenge Cup: the first Classic Division Boat in the Christchurch Ledge Race.
Wyvern Batt Trophy: the overall winner of Trophy Races 5 & 6 Open Division.
Tomic Trophy: the overall winner of Trophy Races 5 & 6 Classic Division.
Ylva of Wight Viking Trophy: a trophy presented by Tony and Chrissie Saunders to the helm or crew aged under 30 years nominated as best all rounder.
The Bernard Turner Trophy: the winner of Open Division of the Bernard Turner Points Race.
Barbara Hempstead Trophy: the winner of the Classic Division Barbara Hempstead Points Race.

NB: Holders of trophies are reminded that they are responsible for the safe keeping and insurance of any Association trophies whilst in their possession and for the return of trophies before the next Regatta with updated engraving.

17 Further Information.

17.1 Discounted Moorings for Folkboats and Nanny Boats must be booked online.
Code Flag "F" should be worn in a conspicuous position in the rigging to indicate you are taking part in the Regatta. Please follow the instructions of the Harbour Master.

17.2 Please note the Royal Solent Yacht Club cannot accept responsibility for private property left on the premises.

17.3 All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

17.4 Social programme as per Appendix 2.

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App 1: Schedule of Races and Fees

EVENT	DAY	DAILY FEES	HW / LW Portsmouth BST	RACES	START TIME	TIME LIMIT 1 For first boat to finish as RRS 35	TIME LIMIT 2 Latest times to finish after first boat sails the course, and finishes
1/2	Sun 23rd Aug	£35	HW 0850 3.5m LW 1431 2.2m	**Trophy Races** ~ Two races OD & CD Back to Back Races 1/2: OD Scanyacht Nordic Plaque Races 1/2: CD Scanyacht Rose Bowl	Not before 1100	2.5 hours after valid start time per race	30 minutes after first finisher
3/4	Mon 24th Aug	£45	HW 1001 3.7m LW 1533 2.1	**Windward-Leewards 2 Races Back to Back** Races 3/4: OD Ratsey & Lapthorn Trophy Races 3/4: CD Lymington Yacht Haven Tankard	Not before 1130	1hour after valid start time per race	15 mins after 1st finisher
5/6	Tue 25th Aug	£35	HW 1055 3.9m LW 1617 1.8m	**Two Trophy Races** Races 5/6: OD Wyvern Batt Trophy Races 5/6: CD Tomic Trophy	Not before 1030	2.5 hours after valid start time	30 minutes after 1st finisher
	Wed 26th Aug		HW 1138 4.2	Reserve Day			
7	Thur 27th Aug	£40	HW 1215 4.4m LW 1722 1.3m	**Long Solent Race** Race 7 OD: Lymington Yacht Haven Trophy Race 7 CD: Colin Gray Trophy	Not before 1000	5 hours after valid start time	1 hour after 1st finisher
8	Fri 28th Aug	£35	HW 1249 4.6m	**Points Races** Race 8: OD Bernard Turner Points Race Race 8: CD Barbara Hempstead Points Race	Not before 1000 No Warning Signal after 1200	2 hours after valid start time	30 minutes after 1st finisher

ENTER ALL RACES AND SAVE £30
Total daily fees £190, reduced to £160 for boats entered for all races.

Notes:

Classic Division boats start FIVE MINUTES AFTER the Open Division for all races

Abbreviations:- **CD** ~ Classic Division **OD** ~ Open Division

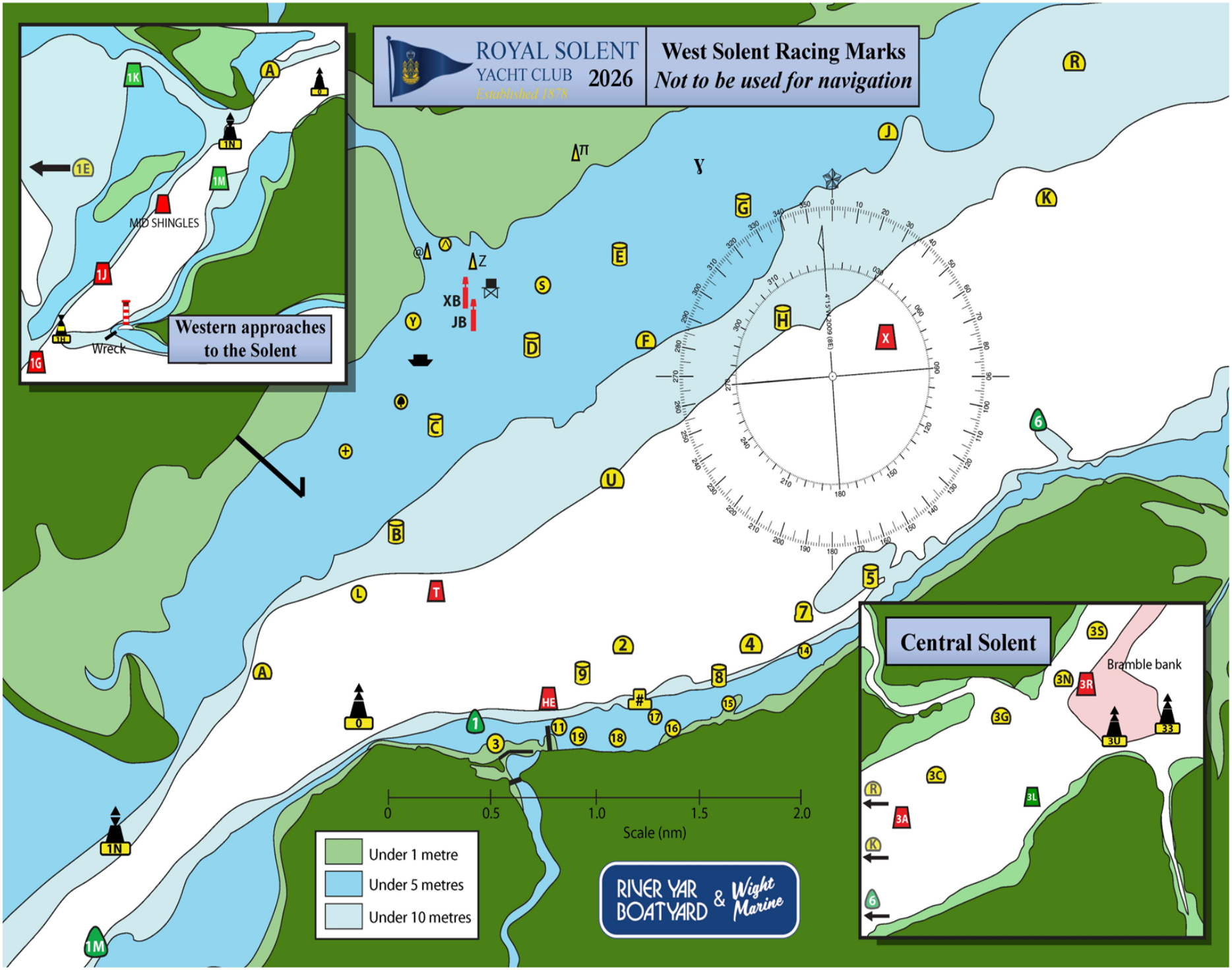
All starts from Committee Boat in Bouldnor Bay area unless otherwise advised.

The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races.

App 2: SOCIAL EVENTS

DAY	TIME	SOCIAL EVENTS	PRICE
Saturday * 22nd August	1800 for 1830 1830	Registration & Welcome Drinks Buffet at RSYC. Table Magic with the Great Randini Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	£34.95
Sunday * 23rd August	1800 for 1830	Prizegiving Hog Roast & Salad at RSYC Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	£21.00
Monday * 24th August	1800 for 1830	Prizegiving & BBQ at the YSC	£20
Tuesday * 25th August	1800 - 1930	Prizegiving & Garden Party at Apples Trees Supported by Matford Farm	£15
Wednesday * 26th August	1830 -2030	Wightwood Pizza - Josh's Wood Fired Pizza Van will be at RSYC please indicate numbers when booking Followed by a Sing Along with traditional FolkSongs, Sea Shanties & old time music	From £8 a pizza No pre-payment required
Thursday * 27th August	1800 prompt From 1930	**Folkboat Week Open Discussion Meeting at RSYC** Prizegiving, Quiz & Curry Night at RSYC Beef Madras & Butter Chicken Curry Served with Basmati Rice, Poppodums & Chutneys ~ Mango & Passion Fruit Sorbet	£19.95
Friday * 28th August	1800 1830	End of Regatta Drinks Dinner & Prizegiving at RSYC **(inc wine)** Prawn & Crayfish Cocktail ~ Confit Pork Belly, Mustard Mash, Apple Puree, Braised Red Cabbage & Roasted Carrot ~ Raspberry & White Chocolate Roulade Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven Bar open until 23:30 Carriages at midnight	£37

*** last ferry 2150**



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RSYC Solent Racing Marks 2026

	Name	Sponsor	Lat N	Long W	Colour/Shape
Western approaches to the Solent					
1E	Ledge Buoy		50.41.50	01.41.60	Yellow sphere
1G	SW Shingles		50.39.29	01.37.52	Red pillar
1H	Bridge		50.39.63	01 36.88	YBY Pillar
1J	Shingles Elbow		50.40.37	01.36.05	Red can
1K	North Head		50.42.69	01.35.52	Green Can
1M	Warden		50.41.48	01.33.55	Green Can
1N	NE Shingles		50.41.96	01.33.41	East cardinal
West Solent Racing Marks					
A	Hurst	Hill Robinson	50.42.77	01.32.43	Yellow sphere
B	Dunford	Dunford Construction	50.43.38	01.31.54	Yellow cylinder
C	Colten	Colten	50 43.83	01 30.86	Yellow cylinder
D	Lymington Yacht Haven	Lymington Yacht Haven	50 44.24	01 29.90	Yellow cylinder
E	Pylewell	Circle Marine Insurance	50 44.49	01 29.32	Yellow cylinder
F	Berthon	Berthon	50 44.20	01 29.22	Yellow sphere
Ɣ	Gamma		50 44.94	01 29.19	Yellow Cylinder
G	Bridgeworks	Bridgeworks WAN Accelaration	50 44.79	01 28.47	Yellow cylinder
H	Draycott	Draycott Chartered Surveyors	50 44.30	01 28.16	Yellow cylinder
J	Zwerver	Zwerver	50 45.11	01 27.34	Yellow sphere
K	Greenings	Greenings Fintech	50 44.83	01 26.09	Yellow sphere
L	RLymYC	RLymYC	50 43.14	01 31.95	Yellow sphere
R	Powder Byrne	Powder Byrne	50 45.43	01 25.89	Yellow Sphere
T	Lymington Bank		50 43.10	01 30.85	Red Can
U	Tuakana	Tuakana Construction	50 43.67	01 29.50	Yellow sphere
X	Solent Bank		50 44.23	01 27.37	Red Can
0	Sconce		50.42.53	01.31.43	North Cardinal
1	Black Rock		50 42.57	01 30.59	Green SHM conical
2	Raymond James Charles Stanley	Raymond James Charles Stanley	50 42.86	01 29.40	Yellow sphere
3	Folkboats Forever	Yarmouth Folkboats	50.42.47	01.30.43	Yellow sphere
4	BDM CX	BDM CX	50 42.86	01 28.42	Yellow sphere
5	Contessa 26 Association	Contessa 26 Association	50 43.15	01 27.49	Yellow cylinder
6	Hamstead Ledge		50 43.87	01 26.18	Green SHM conical
7	In Memory of Adam Harding-Domeney	Yarmouth One Design Class	50.42.97	01.28.16.	Yellow sphere
8	Bouldnor	Harwoods	50.42.73	01.28.69	Yellow cylinder
9	RSYC ODM	River Yar Boatyard & Wight Marine	50 42.72	01 29.70	Yellow cylinder
HE	East Fairway Buoy		50 42.64	01 29.88	Red can
#	Towers	John Caulcutt	50.42.63	01.29.26	Yellow sphere
Central Solent					
3A	West Lepe		50 45.24	01 24.09	Red Can
3C	Basher		50.45.64	01.23.12	Yellow sphere
3G	Cowes Week 200		50.46.58	01.21.46	Yellow sphere
3L	Gurnard Ledge		50.45.51	01.20.59	Green SHM conical
3N	MDL Marinas		50.47.07	01.19.88	Yellow sphere
3R	North East Gurnard #		50.47.06	01.19.42	Red can
3S	SCRA.ORG.UK		50.47.81	01.19.25	Yellow sphere
3U	Gurnard		50.46.22	01.18.84	North Cardinal
33	Prince Consort		50.46.41	01.17.56	North Cardinal
Yarmouth inshore					
11	Delphie	Delphie Lakeman Trust	50.42.48	01.29.94	Yellow sphere
14	Stone Pier	Yarmouth XODs	50.42.82	01.28.05	Yellow sphere
15	Hallmark		50.42.63	01.28.70	Yellow sphere
16	St Swithins		50.42.52	01.28.99	Yellow sphere
17	Camel		50.42.57	01.29.17	Yellow sphere
18	Mount		50.42.44	01.29.43	Yellow sphere
19	Dinghy ODM		50.42.44	01.29.82	Yellow sphere
Marks not charted					
N	Moveable windward mark				Inflatable buoy
M	Moveable mark				Inflatable buoy
P	Moveable mark				Inflatable buoy
Q	Moveable mark				Inflatable buoy
□	Gate	Start/finish line			

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