ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB

SAILING SEASON 2026

GENERAL NOTICE OF RACE

AND

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

VISITORS

The Flag Officers and Members of the Royal Solent Yacht Club extend a warm welcome to competitors as visitors to the Club. They are requested to sign and enter their name in the Visitors' Book situated in the foyer on the first floor landing and should acquaint themselves with the Byelaws of the Royal Solent Yacht Club, posted on the Club website.

AVOIDING POSSIBLE COLLISION WITH FERRIES

Competitors are reminded that under rule 9 (b) of the International Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea "a vessel of less than 20 metres in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of any other vessel navigating within a narrow channel or fairway". The approach to Yarmouth Harbour between the Harbour East buoy and the harbour is considered to be a fairway. **Ferries have extreme difficulty in strong winds and tides when approaching or leaving Yarmouth Harbour and competitors should err on the side of safety and give way early if there is any possible doubt.**

RYA RACING CHARTER

Competitors should note that the Royal Solent Yacht Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and they will be required to undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter, which can be found in the front pages of the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing or at the RYA website: Racing Charter

INFORMATION

Any information displayed at the Club may be displayed on the RSYC website www.royalsolent.org, via WhatsApp or may be obtained by phoning the RSYC Sailing Office on 01983 760256 or by contacting the class captain. In the event of bad weather on the day of the race, competitors are advised to check via one of these methods. Failure to display information on the Club's website or not being able to contact a class captain, will not be grounds for redress.

ABBREVIATIONS

RRS:	Racing Rules of Sailing
SI:	RSYC Standard Sailing Instructions 2026
Supp SI:	RSYC Supplementary Sailing Instructions 2026
NoR:	Notice of Race
NFIA:	Nordic Folkboat International Association
IRC:	International Rating Certificate

GENERAL RSYC NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)
AND
STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI) 2026

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club (RSYC).

2. RULES

2.1 Events are governed by the Rules as defined in the RRS, the Condition of Entry Form and these SI, including the Appendices.

2.2 RRS 27.1 is changed by SI 12.2 (a).

2.3 RRS 32.1 is changed by adding paragraph 32.1(e): for any reason deemed necessary by the race committee.

2.4 RRS 44 is changed so that the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

2.5 If asked by the Sailing Office to assist in the running of a race, a boat may be awarded her average points for the relevant races.

2.6 Folkboats are permitted to use spinnakers as per UK Folkboat Association Class Racing Regulations Part B/2.0 and there will be no penalty for Folkboats that do not comply with NFIA Rule 13.10 (Crew Limitations) or NFIA Class Rule 8.20 (headsail furling).

2.7 For IRC boats IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There are no limitations on crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as one designs which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1

2.8 Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with the rules as defined by the RRS.

3. EXCLUSION ZONES:

3.1 Boats in whatever direction they race, other than dinghy classes, shall pass south of:

3.1.1 The Royal Lymington Yacht Club starting platform.

3.1.2 Cross Boom

3.1.3 Jack in the Basket, all booms, beacons and posts in Lymington River entrance.

3.1.4 The barrier and beacon south of Durns Point.

3.1.5 **Pennington Sewer Outfall Beacon**.

3.2 Boats in whatever direction they are racing shall pass to the north of the yellow buoy situated to the southeast of the inner trot of moorings, located to the west of Yarmouth Pier, sponsored by Roach Pittis.

4. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

4.1. The official notice board is on the RSYC website: **Sailing Instructions (royalsolent.org)**

4.1.1 The VHF Channel to be used for race committee broadcasts is channel 72. Competitors should monitor this channel from one hour before their warning signal.

4.1.2 The Event Messaging System is WhatsApp.

4.1.3 Competitors may communicate with the race committee as follows:

- By telephone to the RSYC on 01983 760256 or 07970 702702
- By email: sailing@royalsolent.org

- By WhatsApp to the specified group.
  These messaging groups shall only be used for receiving official communications.
- By VHF on Channel 72.

4.1.4 The following communications may be made by the race committee on VHF and on WhatsApp.

- Time check(s)
- The race area and race schedule each day; any schedule changes
- Any change of starting order for multiple class starts
- Location of the start & finish lines (ie Committee Boat, Grants or Balcony line)
- The use of alternate preparatory signals
- The courses to be sailed and any changes or shortening
- The approximate bearings and distances to moveable/first marks
- The warning, preparatory and starting signals for all classes.
- Between the warning and preparatory signal, any starting penalty flag to be displayed.
- Sailing Instruction changes (confirmation of changes posted)
- Postponements and abandonments
- Recalls
- The intended time of the first warning signal of a starting sequence.

5. CONDITION OF ENTRY / ELIGIBILITY

5.1 The online RSYC Condition of Entry Form shall be completed and submitted prior to that boat's first race of the season. See RRS 76.1.

5.2 The Condition of Entry Form need only be completed once per year;
Supplementary Entry Forms are required for some events as specified in the relevant Supp SI.

5.3 Throughout these SI, the Supp SI, and the NoR, reference to Folkboat shall be deemed to mean Nordic and British Folkboats.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule of races, the classes to race, the order, the date of races and the time of the starting and/or warning signals will be published in the RSYC Programme of Races, the website www.royalsolent.org, and/or in a separately issued NoR and/or Supp SI.

6.2 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the race committee.

7. SCORING and MINIMUM ENTRY

7.1 Scores will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A, 'low points system'-RRS A5.3 will apply.

8. HANDICAPS

8.1 Club Handicaps, if appropriate, will be determined by the Club's Race Management Committee, or its nominee.

9. CLASS FLAGS & ENSIGNS

9.1 All boats (excluding dinghies) shall display their designated class flag.

9.2 Ensigns shall be struck prior to the preparatory signal.

10 IDENTIFICATION ON SAILS

Under exceptional circumstances, the race committee may permit a boat to use sails carrying identification other than those required by RRS 77. Competitors should seek such permission from the race committee in good time, stating reason for the request.

11 **CHANGES**

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 or no later than 2 hours before the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Attention to changes may be broadcast on VHF before the warning signal of the first race affected.

12 **COURSE INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

12.1 Courses will be selected from navigational buoys and racing marks which have been allocated code letters, numbers or symbols as shown on Appendices A & B.

12.2

(a) The course to be sailed may be displayed at or before the preparatory signal in a frame on the committee boat or at Grants in the frame eastwards of the signal flagstaff. This changes RRS 27.1. When the sequence of letters, numbers, or symbols displayed shall be read from top left to bottom right.

(b) White letters, numbers or symbols on a red background on the committee boat indicate that such marks shall be rounded to port. Similarly, white letters, numbers or symbols on a green background on the committee boat indicate that such marks shall be rounded to starboard.

Red letters, numbers or symbols on a black background at Grants indicate that such marks shall be rounded to port. Similarly, green letters, numbers or symbols on a black background at Grants indicate that such marks shall be rounded to starboard.

(c) At the discretion of the Race Committee, the course may be transmitted by VHF channel 72 only and course boards may not be used.

(d) When two or three white diamond shapes are displayed as part of the course, the course shall be sailed two or three times round respectively. Boats shall pass through the gate formed by the committee boat and a distance mark, or the Grants inner white post and the outer distance mark for Grants from the direction of the previous mark, at the end of each round before commencing the next round.

(e) Races that are doing several laps, but are starting at Grants and finishing at the RSYC balcony line, shall use the gate formed by an imaginary line between the Club balcony and the outer distance mark for Grants for all laps.

(f) When **'□'** is displayed as part of the course, it indicates that boats shall pass through the gate described in SI 12.2(d) from the direction of the previous mark.

12.3 **Amended Course**

When 'S' flag over 'H' flag is displayed by a committee boat adjacent to a mark of the course, it denotes that boats shall pass that mark on the required side and shall then proceed directly to cross the finishing line in the direction from that mark. The committee boat may make repeated sound signals to draw attention to the visual signal.

13 **START INSTRUCTION**

13.1 Starting Line (Grants)

The starting line at Grants is approximately 200 metres to the east of the RSYC. The starting line is formed by bringing the signal flagstaff bearing a horizontally striped orange and white diamond shape into line with a white post topped with a white

diamond framed white cross which is about 15 metres to seawards from the sea wall.

13.2 Inner and Outer Distance Marks (Grants)

(a) The inner limit mark for all races is the seaward post with a diamond shaped top of the starting line transit. **Please note that this mark may not necessarily be in water deep enough for some boats**.

(b) The outer distance mark for all races from Grants, (except for dinghy classes), is a yellow cylindrical buoy marked with '9' in black, with River Yar Boatyard in blue & white, with a yellow X top mark, located approximately 450 metres north of the signal flagstaff. Please note depending on the state of tide this buoy may not be in line with the starting line which is formed by bringing the signal flagstaff bearing a horizontally striped orange and white diamond shape into line with a white post topped with a white diamond framed white cross which is about 15 metres to seawards from the sea wall.

(c) The outer distance mark for dinghy classes is a yellow buoy with **'11'** thereon and a yellow top mark about 175 metres north of the signal flagstaff at Grants. Please note depending on the state of tide this buoy may not be in line with the starting line which is formed by bringing the signal flagstaff bearing a horizontally striped orange and white diamond shape into line with a white post topped with a white diamond framed white cross which is about 15 metres to seawards from the sea wall.

13.3 Starting Line (Club balcony)

(a) The outer distance mark for all races from the Club Balcony, is a yellow cylindrical buoy marked with '9' in black, with River Yar Boatyard in blue & white thereon with a yellow X top mark, located approximately 450 metres in a northerly direction of the RSYC Clubhouse, except for dinghies when it is No 11. The RSYC Balcony will be displaying two ORANGE diamonds, the line is formed when these two diamonds are lined up. The Courses may be announced on VHF and WhatsApp.

13.4 Starting line (Committee Boat)

(a) The committee boat will be identified by an orange flag.

(b) The starting line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and the course side of the outer distance mark which may be an orange inflatable mark or a BOT.

(c) **Please note that the outer distance mark or committee boat may not necessarily be in water deep enough for some boats**.

14 FINISH INSTRUCTIONS

14.1 Time Limit:

(a) The RRS 35 time limit for all races shall be 2 hours (except for XODs on Saturdays). The latest time to finish after the 1st boat finishes is 30 minutes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later. Unless specified otherwise.

(b) For races of more than one round, when the first boat in her race fails to finish within the time limit, but has completed one or more rounds of the course, the results of the race may be determined by the placings at the end of the last completed round by the first boat.

(c) When no boat in the race completes a round of the course or passes through the gate when **'□'** is part of the course, as described in SI 12.2, by the time limit, the race shall be abandoned, unless shortened.

(d) Should no boat in the race complete the course within the time limit, the results of the race will be determined by the placings of the boats through the gate when

'□' is a mark of the course.

14.2 Finishing Line (Grants)

(f) The finishing line, (except for dinghy classes), will be the line between the signal flagstaff and the finishing mark which is the yellow cylindrical buoy (No 9), approximately 450 metres north of the signal flagstaff.

(g) For dinghy classes racing from Grants, the finishing line will be between the signal flagstaff and the yellow spherical buoy (No **19**) approximately 120 metres north of the signal flagstaff.

14.3 Finishing Line (Committee Boat)

(h) The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and the course side of the finishing line outer distance mark.

(i) Boats shall cross the finishing line from the direction of the last mark. If an inner limit mark is laid, boats shall pass between it and the outer distance mark.

14.4 Finishing Line (Club Balcony)

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the eastern end of the club balcony and the outer distance mark (No 9) and for dinghies No 11.

14.5 Boats that have become detached from the fleet will be allowed to radio in and inform the race committee of their predicament and the race committee may agree to give them a finishing time without a penalty. This action will not prejudice their overall results.

15 PROTESTS

15.1 The time and place of the hearing will be communicated to the parties involved and it is the responsibility of the protestor and the protestee to acquaint themselves with this information and to present themselves at the appropriate time with any witnesses they may wish to call. See RRS 60.3 (b).

15.2 For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2 or specified in the rule itself, the penalty may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

16 RESULTS

16.1 The results of races may be posted on the Club Website

17 SAFETY/RISK STATEMENT

17.1 The crews of all boats that are not fully decked and are capable of raising the keel, centerboard or dagger-board shall wear lifejackets or other adequate personal buoyancy at all times while afloat.

17.2 When the Y flag/board is displayed and/or communicated via VHF, all competitors shall wear a personal flotation device.

17.3 A boat racing shall, where applicable, comply with its class rules with regard to safety.

17.4 Following consultation with the relevant Class Captains, the race committee may initiate **'white sail racing'** (no spinnakers). This will be signaled by hoisting **flag G** and the relevant class flag, or communicated via VHF 72.

17.5 VHF radios capable of receiving channel 72 shall be carried by all classes, except dinghy classes, and a listening watch kept at all times. There will be no penalty if this breaks a class rule.

17.6 All boats shall keep clear of the starting line during any preceding start sequences.

17.7 No boat shall race with an anchor protruding beyond its bow/bowsprit or bumkin,

penalty for this rule is DSQ without a hearing and changes RRS A5.1.

17.8 A boat which retires from a race shall make every effort to ensure that the race committee is notified as soon as possible and before returning to her berth. Failure to comply may result in a score for that boat that is a Disqualification Not Excludable (DNE), which is scored the same as DNC.

17.9 **Rule 3 of the RRS states:** "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* 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.
h) The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out above.

18 INSURANCE

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 at all times while racing, 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.

SPRING SERIES

Sundays from 8 March ~ 19 April (7 races)

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. **ELIGIBILITY/SIGNALS**

2.1 Entries are invited from Class 1&2, Folkboats & Day boats.

3. **STARTING**

3.1 The Starting Line will be from 'RSYC Balcony line' unless notified by WhatsApp at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start time where a revised start line will be given.

3.2 The warning and starting signals for race one will be:

Class	Class Flag	Warning Signal	Starting Signal
One class: Class 1&2 Folkboats XOD YOD	**"W"**	**1025**	**1030**

4. **FINISHING/COURSE INSTRUCTIONS**

The finishing line will be the RSYC balcony line.

5. **TIME LIMIT**

RRS 35 time limit for all competitors is 1230, the latest time to finish after the 1st boat finishes is 30 minutes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

6. SCORING

6.1 Two races shall be completed to constitute a valid series.

Races	Discards
7	**3**
6	**2**
5	**1**
4 or Fewer	**0**

7. **HANDICAPPING**

7.1 Handicapping will be in accordance with RYA National Handicap for Cruisers.

8. **PRIZES & PRIZE GIVING**

8.1 The Prize Giving for the Spring Series will be at the Wednesday Evening Prize Giving on 23 September 2026.

SUNDAY MORNING SERIES 2026

Sundays from 26 April ~ 6 September 2026

NOTICE OF RACE & SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is The Royal Solent Yacht Club (RSYC).

2. RULES

2.1 Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RSYC SI 2025, and the NoR/Supp SI.

2.2 Class Rules shall apply except as changed by the SI and these Supp SI.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

See Appendix A for schedule of races for all classes.

4. CLASSES/HANDICAPPING

4.1 Classes 1&2: slow & fast cruiser racers: (these may be separated into two classes if sufficient numbers) will race using NHC handicaps.
XOD, YOD and Folkboats will race level.
Dinghies will race using Portsmouth Yardstick.

5. WARNING/START TIMES & SIGNALS

Class	Warning Signal	Start Signal	Class Flag
XOD	1020	1025	W
Folkboats	1025	1030	F
Class 1&2	1025	1030	Numeral 1
YOD	1030	1035	NN2
Dinghies	1035	1040	D

6. TIME LIMIT

RRS 35 time limit for all competitors is 2hrs. The latest time to finish after the 1st boat finishes is 30 minutes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

7. SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A low points system, except that the score for DNC will be decided by the Race Management Committee, the score for DNF will be one more than the number of boats in the race. This changes RRS 35.

XOD discards as follows for Hayles Trophy; July Cup, September Cup;

Number of races sailed	Discards	Race results to count
12	4	8
11	3	8
10	3	7
9	2	7
8	2	6
7	1	6
6	1	5
5	1	4
<4	0	all

YOD discards as follows for the two Sunday Series and Centenary Trophy;

Number of races sailed	Discards	Race results to count
7	3	4
6	2	4
5	1	4
<4	0	all

Class 1&2 discards as follows for the three Sunday Series

Number of races sailed	Discards	Race results to count
7	3	4
6	2	4
5	1	4
<4	0	all

Folkboat discards as follows for the three Sunday Series

Number of races sailed	Discards	Race results to count
7	3	4
6	2	4
5	1	4
<4	0	all

Dinghy discards as follows for the three Sunday Series

Number of races sailed	Discards	Race results to count
7	3	4
6	2	4
5	1	4
<4	0	all

SPENCE WILLARD WEDNESDAY EVENING SERIES

Series 1: 22 April ~ 3 June

Series 2: 10 June ~ 22 July

Series 3: 29 July ~ 16 September

Wednesday Evening Prize Giving & Supper
Wednesday 23 September 2026

PRIZE GIVING & PRIZES

Prizes that may be awarded are:

- Class 1&2 and Folkboats Spring Series
- Leveson-Gower Bowl ~ WER overall winner Class 1&2 (when raced together)
- Ambitron Trophy ~ WER overall winner Class 2 (if Classes 1&2 race separately)
- RSYC Challenge Bowl ~ WER overall winner Class 3
- Hempstead Trophy ~ WER overall winner Folkboats
- Laser Half Model ~ winner WER Series 3 Dinghies
- Herbert Davies Decanter ~ WER overall winner Dinghies
- Sunset Series ~ Class 1&2, XOD & YOD, Class 3 (Black Rock Trophy), Folkboats. Note Dinghy trophies are awarded straight after Sunset Series.
- Wednesday Evening Po ~ number of 1st places during WER
- Anne Kyle Trophy ~ overall winner all classes during WER
- Iseult Centenary Trophy ~ most improved performance for any boat at WER
- B&8 Slip-Up Salver ~ biggest and most public faux pas
- Kingston & Grist Trophy ~ Class 1&2 winner King's Coronation Cup
- Centenary Chase, overall winner, R Southern YC Challenge Trophy, 1st open keel boat, Mill Road Trophy for 1st Gaffer.
- Class 1&2 Passage Race Trophy
- Contessa Awards for WER and Sunday Series
- Ancient Mariner's Race
- Prince Consort Race

The bar will be open after sailing every Wednesday, Sailing Supper will be available. Race Status may be displayed online by 1630 each Wednesday.

Competitors who are not RSYC members are welcome to come to the RSYC after racing.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERIES 2026

Wednesdays from 22 April ~ 16 September

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1 The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Series 1: 22 April ~ 3 June (7 races)

Series 2: 10 June ~ 22 July (7 races)

Series 3: 29 July ~ 16 September (7 races)

3 CLASSES / HANDICAPPING

3.1 Classes 1&2 cruiser racers: (these may be separated into two classes if sufficient numbers), NHC handicap.
Class 3: XOD & YOD boats, NHC handicap.
FB: Folkboats, level racing.
Dinghy class: ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7, Aero, Pico (race sail), PY handicap.
Dinghy entrants shall nominate, prior to their first race in each series, a sail size for that series. Any change to that sail size during the series shall be given to the Sailing Office, the Race Officers or the Boatman, prior to the start of the race.

4 WARNING/START TIMES & SIGNALS

4.1

Class	Warning Signal	Start Signal *	Class Flag
Class 3	1755	1800	Numeral 3
Folkboats	1800	1805	F
Class 1&2	1800	1805	Numeral 1 or 2
Dinghies	1810	1815	D

*Start times may be 30 minutes earlier for Series 3 Races 6 & 7.

5 TIME LIMIT

5.1 RRS 35 time limit is 2000, or 30 minutes after the first boat finishes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

6 SCORING

6.1 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A low points system, except that the score for DNC will be decided by the Race Management Committee (usually one more than the number of boats entered in the series). DNF score is one more than the number of boats in the race. This changes RRS 35.

7.1 **Discards in all Three Series are as below: This changes RRS Appendix A.**

Races	Discards
7	**3**
6	**2**
5	**1**
4 or Fewer	**0**

7.3 The sum of **POINTS i**n each of the WER series will be added to create a winner overall for the three series.

THE KING'S CORONATION RACES
Monday 25 May 2026

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)
HWP 0749 BST 3.8m

Abbreviations:
RSYC: Royal Solent Yacht Club
RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing
OSR: World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations
NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association
UKFCA: UK Folkboat Class Association

1 The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The event is open to boats of the following classes:
a) National Handicap for Cruisers;
b) One Design Classes: XOD, YOD, Folkboat (British or Nordic Folkboats that comply with NFIA and UKFCA Class Regulations and Rules, as changed herein);

2.2 Classes may be amalgamated at the discretion of the RSYC.

2.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing an RSYC Entry Form online on the website, and paying an entry fee of £15.00 by Friday 22 May 2026.

3. TIMES & SIGNALS

Class	Warning Signal	Start Signal	Class Flag
Folkboats	1010	1015	'F'
XOD	1010	1015	'W'
YOD	1010	1015	Naval No 2
Class 1&2	1015	1020	Numeral 1 or 2

3.1 The King's Coronation Races will be a series of two races. The second race will start as soon as possible after the first race.

4. STARTING LINE

4.1 Start location to be announced.

5. TIME LIMIT

5.1 RRS 35 time limit for all competitors is 90 minutes.

5.2 When no boat in the race completes the course within the time limit, the results of the race will be determined by the placing of the boats through the start/finish line when'□' is a mark of the course

6. FINISHING LINE

6.1 The finish line will be announced.

7. SCORING

7.1 The races will be scored as provided in RRS Appendix A using the Low Point system.

8. RACE MANAGEMENT

8.1 Handicaps, if appropriate, will be determined by the race committee or its nominee.

9. SAFETY/RISK STATEMENT/INSURANCE

9.1 Attention is drawn to the Royal Solent Yacht Club SI 17 and 18.

10. PRIZES

10.1 Prize Giving will be held in the RSYC after racing on Bank Holiday Monday 25 May.

10.2 Prizes will be awarded to overall winners of each class in The King's Coronation Races.

10.3 The following Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the annual King's Coronation Races:

- **Kingston & Grist Trophy ~** awarded to the winner of Class 1&2.
- **The King's Coronation Trophy ~** awarded to the 1st XOD.
- **The Caroline Rogerson Memorial Trophy ~** awarded to the 1st YOD.
- **Matilda Trophy ~** awarded to the 1st RSYC Folkboat.

PRINCE CONSORT CHARITY RACE

Saturday 30 May 2026

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

HW Cowes 1158 BST, 4.2m

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. RULES

2.1 RRS 42.3(i) is implemented: boats may use, without penalty, an engine or any other method of propulsion in order to avoid commercial shipping, provided the boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race.

3. REGULATIONS

3.1 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4 (monohulls) shall apply to IRC Class except as follows: OSR 4.26. is amended to the extent that no Class shall be required to carry storm/trysails; OSR 3.14 (lifelines, stanchions and pulpits) shall not apply to IRC Classic Cruisers.

4. ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY

4.1 Racing is open to the following classes: XOD, YOD, Folkboat, Cruising Yachts (IRC & RYA NHC base TCF).

4.2 It is intended, if possible, to have one long race to the East.

4.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing an RSYC Entry Form online via the website, and paying an entry fee of £15 by Saturday 23 May 2026.
All entry fees will go to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance.

5. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS.

5.1 All IRC boats must have a current IRC rating.

5.2 RYA National Handicap Cruiser class should provide the details required to enable a TCF to be calculated.

6. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS/BRIEFING

6.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the RSYC website and on WhatsApp.

6.2 A Safety Briefing will be available not later than midday on Friday 29 May via WhatsApp and the RSYC website.

7. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Written changes to the SI will be posted on the RSYC website and on WhatsApp no later than 0730.

7.2 Oral changes to the SI will be made on the water and communicated to competitors before their warning signal via VHF channel 72.

7.3 Failure to receive a change to the SI or any other information by VHF radio will not be grounds for redress.

8. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

8.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RSYC Flagstaff.

8.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, RRS Race Signals AP is amended by replacing '1 minute' with 'not less than 60 minutes'.

9. TIMES AND SIGNALS

9.1 Start Times & Signals. Please note boats in the second start should keep clear of the start line at the first start:

CLASS	Class Flag	Warning Signal	Starting Signal
NHC & IRC	G	0855	0900
XOD, YOD, & Folkboats	NP3	0900	0905

10. VENUE/COURSES

10.1 The venue will be the RSYC, Yarmouth Isle of Wight.
Racing will be in the Western and Central Solent.

11. COURSES

11.1 Marks outside zone 2 of the Solent Cruising & Racing Association designations may be used for this race.

12. STARTING

12.1 The committee boat will be situated eastwards of Yarmouth Pier in Bouldnor Bay and may be "*COUNTDOWN*", identified by a blue hull with "RSYC Committee Boat" thereon.

13. FINISHING

13.1 The finishing line will be on the Club Balcony as defined in SI 16.4

14. VHF RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1 All competitors shall keep a listening watch on VHF channel 72 from 55 minutes before the warning signal and while racing.

15. TIME LIMIT

RRS 35 time limit for all competitors is 5 hours after the starting signal.

16. SAFETY

16.1 Competitors that retire, shall in the interest of safety, inform the race committee as soon as possible.

16.2 All skippers should be aware of the Cowes Harbour Commissioners' current Notices to Mariners, particularly those concerning approaches to Cowes, Port of Southampton precautionary area and the safe navigation with Cowes Harbour, (including the outer fairway and area of Prince Consort buoy)

16.3 Skippers should read the advice from Southampton Port Authority: http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/yachting_and_leisure

16.4 Yachts should give way to all ferries in Cowes Harbour & Roads

17. PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows.

- The Yeoman Trophy ~ overall winner at WER prize giving
- The Neptune Trophy ~ 1st RSYC boat at WER prize giving
- The Greenland Salver ~ 1st XOD boat (awarded at the XOD annual dinner)
- The Hamilton Parks Trophy ~ 1st YOD boat (awarded at the YOD annual dinner)
- The Evelyn Trophy ~ 1st Folkboat (awarded at the Folkboat annual dinner)

SUNSET SERIES

Monday 17 August to Thursday 20 August 2026

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. ENTRY AND ENTRY FEES

2.1 An entry form should be completed online via the RSYC website together with the payment of **£20** entry fee **prior to racing.**

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES/TIMES AND SIGNALS

3.1 There will be a series of four races for keelboats, with at least one race each day. Dinghies will have a series of eight races, with at least two races each day.

3.2 If one or more races are lost due to inclement weather the race committee may add additional races on any race day.

3.3 The second race for the dinghies will start as soon as practical after the finish of the first race. Dinghy classes to include ILCA 7/Aero, ILCA 6, ILCA 4 and Pico (race sail).

	Class	**Warning Signal**	**Starting Signal**	**Class Flags**
For all days of racing				
	XOD & YOD	1755	1800	3
	Classes 1&2 and Folkboats	1800	1805	1 or 2 & F
	All dinghies	1810	1815	D

4. TIME LIMIT

4.1 RRS 35 time limit is 2hrs after a valie start time, or 30 minutes after the first boat finishes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

5. SCORING

5.1 Scores will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A "Low Point System", except that the score for DNC will be decided by the race committee. One race is required to constitute a valid series.

Each boat's series score will be the total of her race score. There will be no discards.

5.2 The scores for Race 3 (Wednesday 19 August) will also count in the Royal Solent Yacht Club Wednesday Evening Series 3 Race 3.

5.3 Dinghies: 1st race Wednesday will count as Wednesday Evening Series 3 Race 3.

6 PRIZE GIVING & PRIZES

Trophies to be awarded:

- **RSYC Glass** – winner of Class 1&2 (awarded at WER prize giving dinner)
- **RSYC Glass** – winner of XOD (awarded at WER prize giving dinner)
- **RSYC Glass** – winner of YOD (awarded at WER prize giving dinner)
- **Black Rock Trophy** ~ winner of Class 3 (awarded at WER prize giving dinner)
- **Henderson Vase ~** 1st XOD on handicap (awarded at the XOD annual dinner)
- **Madcap Trophy** ~ 1st XOD (awarded at the XOD annual dinner)
- **George Kent Trophy** ~ 1st YOD (awarded at the RSYC WER prize giving dinner)
- **RSYC Glass & Otter Trophy** ~ 1st Folkboat (Otter Trophy awarded at the Folkboat dinner)

For dinghies, there will be a Prize Giving on the RSYC lawn or in the bar as soon as possible after racing on Thursday 20 August.

Trophies or glasses will be awarded to the overall winner in:

- ILCA 7/Aero 6
- ILCA 6
- ILCA 4
- Pico (race sails)

CENTENARY CHASE

Sunday 20 September 2026

HW Portsmouth 0643 3.5m

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. CONDITION OF ENTRY/ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Dayboats, keelboats and Class 1&2 are invited to enter by completing an Entry Form online via the RSYC website by Wednesday 16 September. Entries after this date may be considered at the discretion of the race committee.

3. THE EVENT

3.1 The Centenary Chase is a pursuit race for dayboats, keelboats and Class 1&2 under sail. The event is a "FUN RACE" and has been designed to appeal to all members with sailing boats of differing performances.

3.2 A briefing may be held at the RSYC on Sunday 20 September 0900 at which start times and courses will be given.

4. CLASS FLAGS

4.1 Boats after the warning signal and whilst racing shall fly 'NP1' or class flag.

4.2 All boats shall clearly display their sail numbers or some other means of identification.

5. STARTING

5.1 RRS 26 and 29 are varied in that: the boat with the lowest handicap will start when the class flag is displayed shall start at or after their respective start times. Boats will start at their allocated time without further sound signals being used. This amends RRS 26. Recalls will be conducted in accordance with RRS 29.1 amended so that Flag X shall be flown only for one minute after the relevant start, notwithstanding that a boat may not by this time have sailed to the pre start side of the starting line.

5.2 Boats shall clear the start line no more than 10 minutes after their allotted time.

6. START LINE

6.1 The start will be from the RSYC shoreline at Grants, please refer to SI 13.1 and 13.2

7. FINISH LINE

7.1 The Finish will be the club Balcony line

7.2 Boats shall cross the finishing line from the direction of the last mark.

8. HANDICAPS

8.1 Handicaps and start times will be determined by the Handicap Sub-Committee or their nominee; and will be available on the day of the race from the Club.

9. COURSES

9.1 Course 'A': Line—1—C—G—4—Line (or reverse)
Course 'B': Line—1—8—Line twice round (or reverse)
Course 'C': As Course 'B'
BUT WITH DIFFERENT START TIMES

9.2 One of the above three courses will be selected by the race committee. A display board at Grants will show 'W' for a start in a westerly direction and 'E' for a start in an easterly direction. The course to be sailed 'A' 'B' or 'C' will be displayed in the course frame in RED for all marks to be left to PORT or GREEN for all marks to be left to STARBOARD.

9.3 A diagram of racing marks is reproduced at Appendix B.

9.4 For course instructions please refer to SI 12

10. TIME LIMIT

10.1 RRS 35 time limit will be 1730 or 2hrs 30 mins after the first starting signal, whichever is the later.

11. VHF COMMUNICATIONS, SAFETY, RETIREMENT

11.1 A listening watch may be kept, and transmissions may be made, by the race committee on VHF channel 72**.** Failure of competitors to receive transmissions made by the race committee and/or to contact the race committee shall not be grounds for redress.

11.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee of her retirement on VHF channel 72 as soon as is practicable.

12. PRIZE GIVING & PRIZES

12.1 Prizes for any visitors will be awarded as soon as possible after racing otherwise prizes will be awarded at the Wednesday Evening Prize Giving 23 September 2026.
The following prizes will be awarded;

- **Yarmouth Marine Service Trophy** ~ overall winner
- **Royal Southern Yacht Club Challenge Trophy** ~ 1st RSYC boat
- **Mill Road Garage Trophy ~** winner of 'the Old Gaffers' Class
- **RSYC Glass** ~ 1st open keel boat.
- **RSYC Glass** ~ 1st Folkboat.
- **The Riot Trophy** ~ 1st RSYC Folkboat (awarded at the Folkboat annual dinner)

TURKEY CUP

Sunday 27 September 2026

HW Portsmouth 1246 4.8m

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 An entry form must be completed for this event online via the RSYC website by Wednesday 23 September together with the payment of a £15 entry fee, entries after this date may be considered at the discretion of the race committee.

3. TIMES & SIGNALS

Class	Class Flag	Warning Signal	Start Signal
Class 1&2 & Folkboats XOD & YOD	W	1025	1030

4. RACING AREA

4.1 Racing will be within the Western Solent and the Western Approaches.

5. START

5.1 The starting line will be from the RSYC Club Balcony.

5.2 Start times are stated in Supp SI 3.

6. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

6.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the RSYC website and on WhatsApp.

6.2 Changes to the SI will be available on the RSYC website and on WhatsApp.

6.3 Any oral changes to the SI will be given via VHF channel 72.

7. FINISHING/COURSE INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 The finishing line will be the RSYC Club Balcony.

8. TIME LIMIT

RRS 35 time limit for all boats shall be 2 hours. The latest time to finish after the 1st boat finishes is 30 minutes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

9. HANDICAPPING

The race committee will allocate non IRC entrants a TCF based on RYA NHC.

10. VHF COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 The committee boat may keep a listening watch and transmit race information on VHF channel 72. Any failure by the committee boat to make such transmissions shall not constitute a breach of the SI. Any failure of a competitor to receive a transmission made by the committee boat shall not be grounds for redress.

11. PRIZES & PRIZE GIVING

11.1 Prize Giving will take place in the RSYC bar as soon as practicable following racing

11.2 Prizes to be awarded as follows:

- 1st place ~ Alan Spriggs Trophy & RSYC Glass
- 2nd place ~ Turkey donated by Harwoods
- 3rd place ~ Turkey Plate

WINTER SERIES & BOXING DAY RACE

WIGHT MARINE SERIES 1: 4 October ~ 7 November

RIVER YAR BOATYARD SERIES 2: 15 November ~ 20 December

BOXING DAY RACE: 26 December

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Supp SI)

1. The General NoR and SI shall apply except as changed by this supplement.

2. VHF COMMUNICATIONS

2.1 A listening watch may be kept, and transmissions may be made, by the race committee on VHF channel 72**.** Failure of competitors to receive transmissions made by the race committee and/or to contact the race committee shall not be grounds for redress.

2.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee of her retirement on VHF channel 72 as soon as is practicable.

3. PROGRAMME

3.1 Wight Marine Series 1: 4 October ~ 7 November (6 races)
River Yar Boatyard Series 2: 15 November ~20 December (6 races)

3.2 Racing will be weekly on Sundays except for Series 1 Race 6, which will be Saturday 7 November.

3.3 Boxing Day Race: 26 December (not part of any Series).

4. ELIGIBILITY/SIGNALS

4.1 Entries are invited from Class 1&2 and Folkboats.

4.2 The warning and starting signals for races will be:

Class	Warning Signal	Starting Signal	Class Flag
Class 1&2 and Folkboats	1025	1030	W

5. STARTING

5.1 The starting line will be from 'RSYC Club balcony' in accordance with SI 13.3.

6. FINISHING/COURSE INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The finishing line will be the RSYC Balcony Line in accordance with SI 14.4.

8 TIME LIMIT

8.1 RRS 35 time limit for all competitors shall be 1230, the latest time to finish after the 1st boat finishes is 30 minutes, or the RRS 35 time limit, whichever is the later.

9. SCORING

9.1 Both series will be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix A, 'low point system' except that the score for DNC will be decided by the race committee.

9.2 Two races in each series shall be completed to constitute a valid series.

9.3 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores except if four or more races are completed then her worst score shall be discarded.

9.4 The overall Winter Series results are based on the combined scores of Series 1 and 2.

10. PRIZES & PRIZE GIVING

10.1 The Prize Giving for Winter Series 1&2 will be in the Clubhouse as soon as practicable after the race on Sunday 20 December.

10.2 The Blount Cross Cup will be presented to the overall winner of both the Winter Series.

10.3 The Prize Giving for the Boxing Day Race will be in the Clubhouse as soon as practicable after racing.

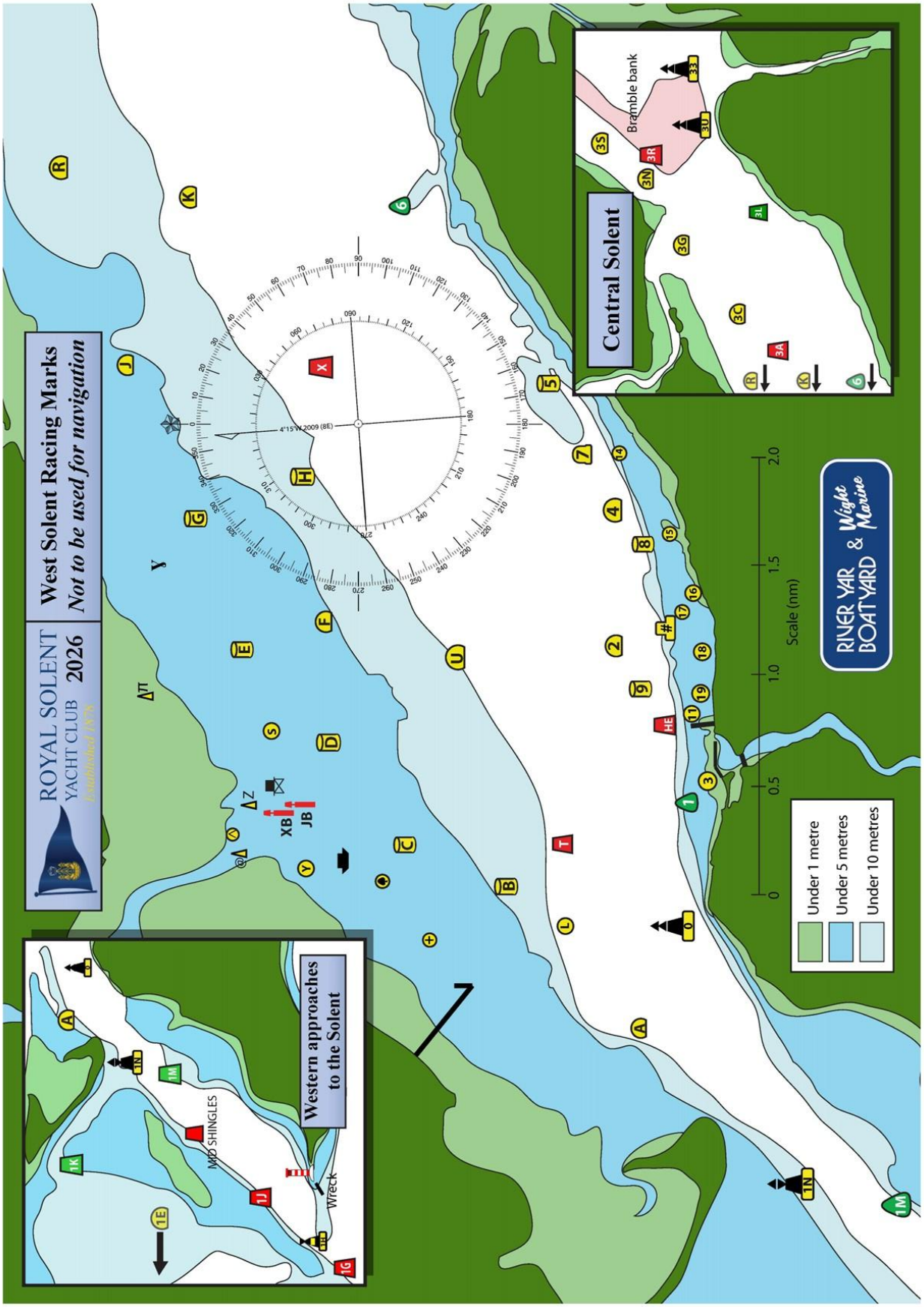
10.4 The Rob Smith Winston Churchill Trophy will be presented to the boat placed first in the Boxing Day Race.

Appendix A

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
Y	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			

Appendix B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West Solent Racing Marks
Not to be used for navigation
Central Solent
Bramble bank
Western approaches to the Solent
MID SHINGLES
Wreck
RIVER YAR BOATYARD & Wight Marine
Under 1 metre
Under 5 metres
Under 10 metres
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