



# 1884 Trophy Series

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

Wednesday evenings

12<sup>th</sup> April 2017 to 23<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Organising authority: Royal Western Yacht Club of England Ltd

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## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Where boats are racing within the boundaries of the Port of Plymouth they are referred to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 1999, a copy of which is displayed on the Club notice board, website <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/1999/2029/contents/made> and Local Notices to Mariners. When the Race Committee believes that such regulations have been broken so as to bring the sport into disrepute it will act under RRS 60.2(c) requesting the Protest Committee to act under RRS 69.1(a), Allegation of Gross Misconduct.
- 1.3 The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules and Disputes procedures will be available. This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. See the official website - <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/raceofficials/Pages/RulesDisputesProcess.aspx> for details.
- 1.4 Racing rule(s) 35, 44, A2, will be changed as follows:
- 35 Time Limit – For one-design fleets, any boat not finishing within an additional 25% of the first boat or by sunset (whichever is earlier) will be scored DNF. For handicap fleets, any boat not finishing by 45 minutes of the first handicap boat shall be scored DNF.
- 44.1 For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty,
- A2 Each boats score shall be as described in NoR 7.
- The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5 Under rule 87, rule(s) IRC Rule 22.4.2 of the IRC class rules is replaced with:  
“The maximum number of crew that may sail aboard a boat shall be the crew number printed on the certificate plus two. There is no weight limit.”

## 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The 1884 Trophy Series is open to all boats that hold either a current IRC certificate, or a Port Handicap. Yachts wishing to enter the NHC class without a handicap should apply to the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association handicapper, Tony Head, email [tony-head@lineone.net](mailto:tony-head@lineone.net) or phone 01752 550708) for a handicap.
- 2.2 Ratings may be varied during the Series.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form. Online entry is available here: [Click here](#).
- 2.4 A yacht's racing result will only be accepted when a fully completed entry form (either on-line or paper) and payment has been received by race administration at the RWYC prior to racing. All entries must comply with RRS 75 (Race Entry & Qualification).

### 3 FEES

3.1 Required fees are as follows:

	RWYC Members	Non-Members
Series	£80	£140
Part Series	£50	£ 80
Individual Day	£10	£ 15

### 4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Dates of racing:

The 1884 Series will run on Wednesday evenings from 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017 to 23<sup>th</sup> August 2017. The series will be split into 2 parts as indicated below with Part Series prizes being awarded to each class as per NoR 9.

Part 1:- 12<sup>th</sup> April – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (10 evenings)

Part 2:- 21<sup>nd</sup> June – 23<sup>th</sup> August 2017 (10 evenings)

4.2 Number of races:

It is intended to have one race a day for all classes.

4.3 The scheduled time of the **warning signal** for the first race of each day is as follows

J 24 – 1835hrs

Handicap – 1840hrs

### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & CLASS SPLITS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the 1884 Event Page on the club website no later than Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and paper copies will also be available from the RWYC office from that date. A decision as to whether all classes ( apart from J24's) will start and race as one fleet, or two, will be taken once registration closes.

### 6 THE COURSES

6.1 The courses to be sailed will be 'Round the Cans' and will be detailed in the sailing instructions as an Appendix.

### 7 SCORING

7.1 For all classes, when fewer than three races have been completed in a series, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

7.2 Where a One Design class totals 5 or more, they will continue to be scored within their handicap fleet and scored separately as an individual class with prizes awarded as per NoR 9.

7.3 The J24 class will start five minutes earlier than the rest of the fleets and will be scored on an individual class basis only.

## **8 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

A VHF radio shall be carried and operated by all yachts that enter in the series.

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **9 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

At the discretion of the Race Committee a daily prize may be awarded to each class after the days racing when four (4) or more boats in that class have taken part.

Overall and Part Series awards will be presented as follows -

Up to 5 entrants – 1 prize; up to 10 entrants – 2 prizes; up to 15 entrants – 3 prizes etc.

A trophy will be awarded to the overall winner in each class.

All boats sailing under IRC or Port handicaps will be ‘dual scored’ under NHC. Daily prizes will be awarded for fixed handicaps or cruisers, but a series prize will also be awarded based on NHC results as dual scored.

## **10 RISK STATEMENT**

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitors agree and acknowledges that:

- (i) 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;
- (ii) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (iii) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (iv) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (v) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (vi) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (vii) it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue;
- (viii) [For offshore races] they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that

the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

**11 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 for the duration of the Series.

**12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the Secretary, Royal Western Yacht Club, Queen Anne's Battery PL4 0TW by email at [admin@rwyc.org](mailto:admin@rwyc.org)

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