



Gul Allspars Final Fling Dinghy Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE

14th September to 15th October 2017

Organising Authority: Royal Western Yacht Club of England Ltd

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Saturday 14th - Sunday 15th October 2017

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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Royal Western Yacht Club of England.

2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, RYA Prescriptions, current class rules and the Sailing instructions for the event.

2.2 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 website (<https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/qhm-plymouth>) 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 Misconduct. Failure to comply with instruction from the Race Committee may result in a boat being scored DSQ.

2.3 Racing rules will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2.3.1 RRS 40 – Dinghy competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times whilst afloat.

2.3.2 RRS 44.1 – The Two - Turns Penalty is replaced by the One - Turn Penalty.

2.4 The exoneration penalty and Arbitration Procedures of the RYA will be available at this event.

2.5 Where there is conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail except that neither shall change nor alter a class rule.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 No restrictions, but all advertising must comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Dinghy Classes

4.1.1 The regatta is open to all national and international Dinghy and Multihull Classes.

4.1.2 All boats shall compete under their registered numbers to comply with RRS 77.

4.1.3 Entrants by those under 18 years of age on the day of the event must be countersigned by a parent/guardian and presented at registration.

4.2 Entry

4.2.1 Eligible boats shall enter online via www.rwyc.org

4.2.2 No entries can be made after 1200 Saturday 14th October 2017

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1 All Dinghies **£30**

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Regatta Competitor Briefing

6.1.1 A competitor briefing will be held at the Royal Western Yacht Club at 11.00h on Saturday 14th October 2017.

6.1.2 Sat 14th Oct - First Warning Signal not before 1255 with 3 races back to back & Sun 15th Oct - First Warning Signal not before 1025 with 3 races back to back

6.2 Format of Racing

- 6.2.1** Saturday: 2 Handicap Races using average lap times of 50 - 60 minutes duration, plus one around the breakwater
- 6.2.2** Sunday: 2 Handicap Races using average lap times of 50 - 60 minutes duration, plus one long distance race around the sound

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND REGISTRATION

7.1 Sailing Instructions

- 7.1.1** The sailing instructions will be published on the RWYC Website: <http://rwy.org/> no later than Friday 13th October.
- 7.1.2** Printed copies may be collected from the Regatta Office at registration

7.2 Registration

- 7.2.1** Registration will be held at the Royal Western Yacht Club on Saturday 14th October from 0900 to 12000

8. REGATTA OFFICE

- 8.1** The Regatta Office will be located at the Royal Western Yacht Club
- 8.2** The Regatta Office will be open between the following times:
 - Saturday 14th October 0800 – 1800
 - Sunday 15th October 0800 – 1700
- 8.3** The Official Noticeboard (ONB) will be on the noticeboard in the clubhouse, notices may also be posted on the RWYC website.

9. VENUE

- 9.1** The racing area for the regatta will be Plymouth Sound. Refer Admiralty Chart 30: Plymouth Sound and Approaches.
- 9.2** Details of dinghy berthing will be promulgated on the Regatta Website in due course.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1** A day prize giving will be held at the Royal Western Yacht Club at 1900 on Saturday 14th October 2017
- 10.2** The day and overall prize giving will be held at the Royal Western Yacht Club after the final race on Sunday 15th October 2017.

11. RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1** Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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:
 - 11.2.1** 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;
 - 11.2.2** They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - 11.2.3** They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - 11.2.4** Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 11.2.5** 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;
 - 11.2.6** The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

12. INSURANCE

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance.
With a minimum cover of 2 million pounds.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 For further information please contact The Royal Western Yacht Club,
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