



ROYAL WESTERN
YACHT CLUB OF ENGLAND

1884 Trophy Series

NOTICE OF RACE

Wednesday evenings

17th April to 28th August 2019

Organising authority: Royal Western Yacht Club of England Ltd
PLYMOUTH, UK

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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 Misconduct.
- 1.3 The Post-Race Penalty and RYA Hearing/Arbitration of the RYA Rules and Disputes procedures will be available. This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. See the official website for details. <https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/racing-rules/Pages/rules-disputes-process.aspx>
- 1.4 Racing rule(s) 35, 44, A2, will be changed in the sailing instructions.
- 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 VPRS certificate. Yachts wishing to enter the Cruiser class without a rating should apply to Ruth at VPRS - www.vprs.org All boats will also be given a NHC result and may enter for this series alone.

Boats entering with more than one handicap, eg IRC and VPRS must elect on their entry form which is their fleet for prize purposes.

- 2.2 Ratings may be varied during the Series.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form. Entry forms are available at: www.rwyc.org
- 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 17th April 2019 to 28th August 2019. 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:- 17th April – 19th June 2019 (10 evenings)

Part 2:- 26th June – 28th August 2019 (10 evenings)

4.2 Number of races:

It is intended to have either one or two races a day for all classes, at the discretion of the Race Officer.

4.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 1825.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & CLASS SPLITS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the 1884 Event Page on the club website no later than Monday 8th April 2019. All classes will start and race as one fleet, unless numbers dictate that it will be necessary to split the fleet.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 If two races are held, the first will be a short windward/leeward course. The second race may be either another windward/leeward, or a round the cans course. The course to be sailed for the 'Round the Cans' race will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

Where appropriate, the race committee may 'average lap' slower boats.

7 SCORING

7.1 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores less one discard for each three (3) races completed. This changes rule A2

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

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 five (5) 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; 6 to 10 entrants – 2 prizes; over 11 entrants – 3 prizes.

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

All boats sailing under IRC/VPRS will be 'dual scored' under NHC. Daily prizes will be awarded for IRC or VPRS (subject to primary fleet election), but prizes will also be awarded based on all NHC results.

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 competitor agrees 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

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