



Royal London Yacht Club
in conjunction with the
Royal Corinthian Yacht Club and the Island Sailing Club

Cowes Classics Week
Fourth Metre and Classic Keelboat Regatta
including
2011 British Classic Dragon Championship

Monday 25th July to Friday 29th July 2011

supported by

Harken

and

Cowes Harbour Commissioners

Isle of Wight Council

Kendalls Fine Arts and Swordsman Charters

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Royal Victoria Yacht Club

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Notice of Race

The Royal London Yacht Club in conjunction with the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club and the Island Sailing Club invite metre yachts and classic racing keelboats to enter this regatta to be held in the Central Solent based at Cowes.

The Regatta is intended for all classic racing keelboats including, but not restricted to: 12mR, 8mR, 6mR (classic and modern), Daring, Dragon (classic and modern), Sunbeam, Bembridge Redwing, XOD, Victory and Bembridge, Loch Long, Mylne, South Coast and Yarmouth One Designs.

1. Organising Authority

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Royal London Yacht Club in conjunction with the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club and the Island Sailing Club.

2. Rules

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2.2 Racing rule RRS 44.1 will be changed as follows: The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One -Turn Penalty. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules and class rules. This changes RRS J1 2(1).

2.3 Yachts entered are expected to meet their relevant class and rating requirements.

2.4 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

2.5 Boat shall comply with their class safety regulations and with the current Cowes Week Safety Regulations for White Group Classes obtainable from the Cowes Week Regatta Centre and as set out on the Cowes Week official website www.aamcowesweek.co.uk.

2.6 RYA Arbitration will be available for this series and the Exoneration Penalty will be 25% scoring penalty implemented in accordance with RRS 44.3(c).

3. Advertising

3.1 The advertising category will be in accordance with the relevant class association requirements.

4. Eligibility

4.1 Where applicable, all helms shall be a full member of their relevant class association.

5. Regatta Ethos

5.1 The Royal London Yacht Club as organisers of this regatta invite owners, crews and friends to race in a spirit of Corinthian competition.

5.2 Consultation with class representatives has taken place to ensure the racing is varied and challenging involving a combination of windward-leeward 'Derby' type courses interlocked with Solent 'Grand National' type courses requiring more consideration of 'obstacles' including tidal factors.

6. Regatta Charity

- 6.1 The event charity for 2011 is **brainstrust** which is a UK based brain cancer charity, dedicated to improving clinical care for brain tumour sufferers and providing co-ordinated support in their search for treatment. **brainstrust** was founded by Helen and Peter Bulbeck who are 6 metre sailors. See www.brainstrust.org.uk
- 6.2 Competitors are asked to support **brainstrust** by including a minimum of £10 as a donation **with** their entry.

7. Berthing and Mooring

- 7.1 Arrangements have been made with the Cowes Harbour Commissioners for the Cowes Week temporary swinging moorings to be laid early to enable boats to arrive over the weekend of the 23rd & 24th July 2011. Arrangements for swinging moorings should be made through a boat's respective Class Association.
- 7.2 A launch service will be run from Trinity Landing opposite the RLYC Clubhouse and the Island Sailing Club to boats on swinging moorings.

8. Communications

- 8.1 Safety and race announcements will be made on VHF including the start area location. A VHF set capable of receiving international marine channels (including Channel 37M) is required for this regatta.
- 8.2 Boats may be required to show class flags with minimum dimensions 12in x 18in and CCW/sponsors pennants on their backstays. This will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Programme of Events and Schedule of Races

The schedule of races is as shown below. The schedule may be varied provided that adequate notice is given to all boats affected by the change.

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 25 July	Registration Skippers Briefing Welcome Opening Reception Opening Supper	1400-1730 1800 1830 2000	Royal London YC Royal London YC Royal London YC Royal London YC
Tuesday 26 July HW 08:05	Races 1 & 2 W-L Racing Tea and cake Supper & Day Prizegiving	From 1100 after racing 2000	Committee Boats in Central Solent Royal London YC Royal Corinthian YC
Wednesday 27 July HW 09:20	Royal Victoria Race Day RVYC All Classes Race Race 3 Solent fixed mark course Tea and cake Wight Vodka Cocktails Hog Roast and RVYC Prizegiving	From 1100 Circa 1400 after racing 1900 2000	Committee Boats near Cowes * Committee Boats in Central Solent Royal London YC Cowes Corinthian YC Cowes Corinthian YC
Thursday 28 July HW 10:20	Harken Race Day Races 4 & 5 W-L Racing (Races 1,2 & 3 for 6mR) Tea and cake Kendalls & Swordsman Drinks Reception Hot buffet and Harken Prizegiving	From 1100 after racing 1800 2000	Committee Boats in Central Solent Royal London YC Kendall's Fine Art Gallery Island SC
Friday 29 July HW 11:10	Races 6 & 7 Solent fixed mark courses Races 4 & 5 for 6mR Prizegiving Lunch	From 1000 after racing circa 1500	Committee Boats in Central Solent Royal London YC

* Weather permitting

The following events take place immediately after The Metre and Classic Keelboat Regatta:

Saturday 30 July	13:00	Household Division Annual Regatta	RYS Shoreline
Sunday 31 July	12:00	Royal Yacht Squadron One Day Regatta	RYS Shoreline

10. Courses and Sailing Instructions

- 10.1 Racing will take place in the Central Solent generally using laid marks and/or combination of laid and/or fixed Solent racing and navigation marks, in accordance with the sailing instructions.
- 10.2 Sailing Instructions will be available electronically in early July 2011 and will be available in hard copy at registration. Any amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the RLYC Race Office.

11. Scoring and Prizes (The Metre and Classic Keelboat Regatta)

- 11.1 Seven races are scheduled, with three races required to constitute a series. One discard will be applied after four races have been completed. (For 6mR five races are scheduled with three races required to constitute a series. One discard will be applied after three races have been completed).
- 11.2 Trophies will be awarded for the first overall in each class. Details of trophies and prizes will be set out on www.rlyc.org.uk in early July 2011.
- 11.3 The RLYC All Classes Race on Wednesday 27th July for the Trinity Cup will be a fixed mark race with each class allocated a handicap based on club TCFs. The race will be separate from the series. Prizegiving will be on the Wednesday evening.
- 11.4 The Harken Race Day will be on Thursday 28th July with prizes awarded on the basis of the results of Races 4 and 5. The method of scoring will be as set out in the Sailing Instructions. Prizegiving will be on the Thursday evening. Races 4 and 5 will also count towards the seven race series as set out at para 11.1 above.

12. Scoring and Prizes (The 2011 British Classic Dragon Championship)

- 12.1 All International Dragons will race as one class for an overall class trophy (as para 11 above)
- 12.2 Wooden Dragons built prior to 1973 will also be eligible to participate in the 2011 British Classic Dragon Championship for the UK Classic Dragon Trophy which forms part of this regatta.
- 12.3 Scoring for the 2011 British Classic Dragon Championship will be separate from the full Dragon class event, in as much that eligible boats will given a score in accordance with their finishing position relative to other eligible boats in this class, in order to decide the result of the classic championship.
- 12.4 The number of races and discards for the classic championship will be as 11.1 above.

13. Results

- 13.1 Results will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the RLYC Race Office and on www.rlyc.org.uk.

14. Changes to the Notice of Race

- 14.1 Any changes or additions to this Notice of Race will be posted on www.rlyc.org.uk before the closing date for entries.

15. Disclaimer of Liability and Insurance

- 15.1 It is a condition of entry that, prior to the boat's first race, the person in charge of each boat and/or his authorised representative shall sign a disclaimer of liability and declaration. If the person in charge will be under 18 years old on the 25th July 2011 then the disclaimer shall also be countersigned by a parent or guardian.

15.2 Each participating boat shall carry valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 sterling for the period of this Regatta.

16. Further Information

16.1 For further information on new 'classic' classes interested in entering this regatta please contact: David Elliott: david.elliott@cowesclassicsweek.org Tel: +44 (0)20 8971 0170

17. Entry

The entry fee includes race management and launch service for the four days of the regatta, prizes, the Welcome Opening Reception, Wight Vodka Cocktails, tea and cake after racing (3 per entry/5 per 6M/ 7per 8M/9 per12M), and Kendalls Reception. Booking forms for social events will be posted separately on www.rlyc.org.uk.

Berthing and mooring costs are not included.

Class	Entry Fee to be received by Friday 24 June 2011
Victory, XOD and Bembridge, Loch Long, Mylne and Yarmouth OD	£160 (£180 but discounted to £160 in acknowledgement of the XOD Centenary and to encourage entries from new small classic OD classes)
Redwing & Sunbeam	£200
South Coast OD & International Dragon	£230
Daring	£230 (£250 but discounted to £230 in acknowledgement of the Daring 50 th Anniversary)
6 Metre (5 races over 2 days)	£175
8 Metre	£375
12 Metre	£475

Entries will be accepted after 24 June 2011 and by the 25 July 2011 but an additional £50 will be charged.

All entrants should enter online on www.rlyc.org.uk. Exceptionally, entries may be made in person or by telephone at the RLYC office when a member of staff will complete the entry on your behalf (tel 01983 299727).