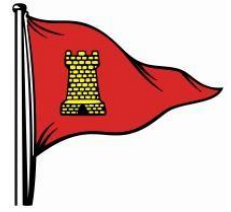




CITY LIVERY YACHT CLUB

THE LORD MAYOR'S CUP REGATTA

55th Year



Saturday, 18th May 2024

Organising Authority The **ISLAND SAILING CLUB**

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES.

The Race will be governed by:

- a) The Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024)
- b) The Island Sailing Club Rating System (ISCRS)
- c) The World Sailing Special Regulations Appendix B (Previously known as Category 5)
- d) Competitors will be expected to comply with any current rules/guidance in force at the time of the event.
- e) Notice to Mariners for the ports of Southampton, Portsmouth and Cowes apply.
- f) All boats intending to race, from the time of leaving their moorings/berths until their return after racing or retiring, shall:
 - e).1 Give way to all ferries and commercial vessels within the Cowes Harbour and its approaches.
 - e).2 Observe the Southampton Harbour byelaws (www.southamptonvts.co.uk/port_information/regulations/byelaws) and avoid close quarters situations with any commercial vessel and comply with Byelaw 11.(1). The Moving Prohibited Zone shall be deemed to be an obstruction for the purpose of RRS 19 & 20.
 - e).3 Observe the KHM Portsmouth Harbour byelaws relating to the 'area of concern' bounded by West Ryde Middle, Norris, Peel Bank, SE Ryde Middle and South Ryde Middle which is restricted area for commercial traffic as shown on the central Solent racing chart published by the SCRA.
 - e).4 Carry no anchor forward of the stem or with any part of it outboard, except when anchoring.
 - e).5 All boat keels must be in a fixed position for the duration of the race, with a minimum of two fixed berths and in living mode.
- g) When Rule 20 applies, a boat may indicate her need for room to tack or her response by hailing or by VHF radio.
- h) Boats are permitted to carry one or more mobile phones solely for receiving text messages with courses and other race information provided by the Race Committee. This is in accordance with RRS 87, changes to class rules where applicable.
- i) Chartered or hired boats shall not be able to seek redress in the event of gear or equipment failure

2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

- a) Boats must:
 - Apply for an ISCRS rating from the Island Sailing Club. Forms are available from the ISC office: ben@islandsc.org.uk. Certificates are not issued.
 - Ratings issued by the ISC for Round the Island Race or previous Lord Mayor's Cup Regattas in the last 2 years may be suitable.
- b) ISCRS rated boats will be rated with "White Sails" only and will exclude the use of spinnakers, cruising chutes, and loose luff sails. Twin headsails are also not permitted.
- c) **No new or amended ratings will be accepted after 1200hrs on Monday 13th May 2024.**
- d) All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting on channels 12, 16, 37A (M1) and 69.
- e) All boats entering shall have a fixed keel, a minimum of four fixed berths, be in living mode and shall be of minimum 5m waterline length and 770 kg displacement.

3. ELIGIBILITY.

- a) The entrant must be a member of a City of London Livery Company (or The Guild of Freemen or The Guild of Young Freemen) and must have received an invitation from the Commodore to enter.
- b) Nonmembers of a City of London Livery Company or The Guild of Freemen or The Guild of Young Freemen are invited to enter this year and compete for the Visitors Vase.
- c) The entrants must be onboard and race on the boat that he or she has entered.
- d) All boats, while racing shall fly IC numeral 3 from their backstay.
- e) This regatta forms one of the Regattas whose results count for the Overall Series run by City Sailing.

4. ENTRIES.

- a) Before racing the first named boat owner shall enter their boat on the official entry form, pay the applicable fee, sign the declaration and risk statement indicating that they have read and understood this notice of race, and that they agree to be bound by its contents.
- b) The entry fee for each yacht is £100.00.
Late entries may be accepted up to 1200hrs on Wednesday 15th May subject to an additional fee of £35.00.
- c) Boats may be split into two divisions to reduce the time between races. The split will be made by the Race Committee under guidance from the CLYC Commodore, whose decision shall be final.
If necessary, boats will be advised of the division split by 1200hrs Thursday 16th May.

5. START TIMES AND STARTING PROCEDURE.

- a) There will be a briefing for competitors at 0830 in the Cowes Yacht Haven on Saturday 18th May.
All boats are expected to send at least one representative.
- b) RRS 26 is changed in that the Starting Signals will be as follows:

	WARNING SIGNAL	PREPARATORY SIGNAL	ONE MINUTE SIGNAL	START
CLASS 1	1005	1010	1014	1015
CLASS 2	1015	1020	1024	1025

It is the Race Committee's intention to run a second race at approximately 1330hrs. Please watch for flag signals and listen for VHF Radio broadcasts.

The race one starting sequence has been chosen in order to avoid the majority of commercial shipping movements.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Sailing Instructions will be available online www.islandsc.org.uk/citylivery by Friday 10th May and will be emailed to entrants.

7. COURSE TO BE SAILED.

- a) The racing area will be in the Central Solent starting from the Island Sailing Club, Cowes Clubhouse Start Line.
- b) The course to be sailed will be broadcast by VHF Radio on VHF 37A (M1) and sent by text message/WhatsApp on the mobile phone number given during the entry process.
- c) Marks will either be selected from a combination of fixed navigation buoys and yellow racing marks listed in the sailing instructions.
- d) Boats, in whatever direction they are racing, shall not pass:
 - (i) South of the Cowes Harbour breakwater
 - (ii) north of the barrier off Durns Point, east of Lymington
 - (iii) north of Horse Sand Fort.
- e) Boats shall not anchor or kedge in the Cowes Harbour fairway and in the area between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as indicated on the racing chart in the sailing instructions and on the Admiralty Chart 2040. Gas and water pipes, telephone cables and electricity cables lie on the seabed.
- f) The race committee may set courses that do not permit boats to sail rhumb lines courses between marks, particularly over the central Solent Bramble Bank. This shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- g) Boats racing shall use all reasonable endeavours to avoid contact with navigation buoys, whether marks of the course or not. In case of contact, whether or not leading to damage to the buoy, the circumstances of the incident and details of any damage must be reported to the race committee within the protest time limit. RRS 31 and 44 shall remain in force. If the navigation buoy has been damaged the race committee will advise the Chairman of the SCRA. The race committee may also protest the boat.

8. TIME LIMITS.

Changing RRS 35, the race committee may award a finishing position or DNF to any boat not finishing within 30 minutes (on corrected time if applicable) after the second boat finishes, in their class, to enable further race(s) to be sailed or racing to be concluded. Changing RRS 35, should no boat finish by the time limit, the result of the race may be determined from the previous time the start/finish line was crossed or the order of boats at a rounding mark or their position at the time limit.

9. PENALTIES.

Rule 44.1 is amended so that two turns penalty is replaced by one turn penalty for infringements outside the Zone.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION.

VHF communications will be made to competitors on VHF Channel 37A (M1) when using the ISC Line. Failure to receive information by VHF radio will not be grounds for redress as per RRS 90.2(c)

11. SCORING AND PRIZES.

Appendix A, as changed below, will be used for all races. There will be no discards.

If there are two divisions, they will be combined for the Lord Mayors Cup and the "Visitors Vase" as follows:

For every boat in each race, the race score from Appendix A will be divided by (the number of starters in that race + 2) and the divisions will be combined to produce a single race result.

For the Lord Mayor's Cup and the "Visitors Vase" these race results will be added together.

Cups, Trophies and Vase will be presented at the dinner on Saturday, 18th May 2024.

	CUPS AND TROPHIES AWARDED TO CLYC MEMBER ENTRANTS
Lord Mayor's Cup	Overall Winner of races one and two
Admiral's Cup	At the discretion of the Admiral
Sir Robin Gillett Cup	Class 1 The Winner of the first race (who is not the overall winner)
Robert Green Trophy	Class 2 The Winner of the first race (who is not the overall winner)
Epsom Cup	Class 1 The Winner of the second race (who is not the overall winner)
Craig Cup	Class 2 The winner of the second race (who is not the overall winner)
The Champion Cup	The Winning Livery Company
Anne Glover Cup	Best placed Innholder's boat
Cowes Cup	At the discretion of the Commodore
Lady Libby Trophy	At the discretion of the Commodore
	TROPHY AWARDED TO NON CLYC MEMBER ENTRANT WITH ALL NON CLYC MEMBER CREW
Visitors Vase	The winner of non CLYC member boat with a non-member crew

12. RISK STATEMENT.

RRS 3 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 this series, 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 series;
- 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 series 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 (the competitors') 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 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 for the event.
- h. 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.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 sterling against third party claims.

14. RYA CHARTER.

Competitors should note that Island Sailing Club events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024) or at rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter

All participants and guests in the Regatta are permitted temporary use of the facilities of the Island Sailing Club, Cowes for the duration of the Regatta.