

# Royal Lymington Yacht Club



## Bank Holiday Sunday Dinghy Racing 2008

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

The Royal Lymington Yacht Club extends a welcome to owners and crews of competing yachts and invites them to become temporary members on the occasions they are competing in the races covered by this Notice of Race.

Please use and enjoy the Club during the Series

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## Notice of Race

- 1 **The organising authority will be the Royal Lymington Yacht Club (RLymYC).**
2. **PLACE, DATES OF RACES**
  - 2.1 The Bank Holiday Sunday Dinghy racing 2008 will take place from the Royal Lymington Yacht Club on Sunday March 23, May 4 and 25, and August 24.
3. **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**
  - 3.1 Entries should be made on the official Entry Form which shall have been received by the RLymYC Race Office no later than one hour before the start time of that boat's first race.
  - 3.2 In completing the attached entry form the entrant confirms that he/she holds adequate insurance and in particular holds insurance against third party claims in the sum of a minimum of £2 million.
4. **GOVERNING RULES**
  - 4.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), appropriate Class Rules and/or the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme (except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions).
  - 4.2 This Notice of Race may be amended by Sailing Instructions.
  - 4.3 Sailing Instructions will be available for all competitors at the RLymYC on the day of the race.
  - 4.4 These Races will be run under the LTSC Dinghy Sailing Instructions
  - 4.5 Competitors shall note that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the RYA Racing Charter. The RYA Racing Charter is reproduced on the RYA website <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter> and in the RYA Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008.
5. **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
  - 5.1 Whether afloat or ashore, a boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, and nothing in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.
  - 5.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
  - 5.3 Nothing done by the Organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the Organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The Organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats and slipway masters.
  - 5.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
  - 5.5 The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the boat set out in this Notice of Race.
  - 5.6 The Race Committee may stop a boat launching, or require it to return ashore, if they consider the boat, its equipment and/or helm are not adequate for the likely conditions.
  - 5.7 All boats shall comply with their class rules and prescriptions as appropriate with regard to safety.
  - 5.8 The ingoing and outgoing ferries cross one another in the river off the entrance to Pylewell Lake. Competitors should be particularly wary at this point. As navigation aids to ferry skippers, two black and white posts on the east side and two red and white posts on the west side have been erected near the points where the ferries cross.

Competitors must be aware that the Wightlink ferries are operating a commercial service in restricted waters and have little room for manoeuvre to avoid obstructions. As a rule of thumb, whilst sailing within the river channel, boats are advised to maintain a distance of not less than two ferry lengths ahead of a ferry. Every effort must be made to avoid interference with their navigation in the river.

**6. CLASSES**

Races to be raced : see Sailing Instructions

**7. STARTING TIMES**

**First Start not before:**

Sunday March 23 - 10.30hrs

Sunday May 4 - 10.30hrs

Sunday May 25 – 14.00hrs

Sunday August 24 – 16.00hrs

**8. RACE RESULTS**

- 8.1 Boats racing in Portsmouth Yardstick Fleet will be allocated Portsmouth Numbers as published on the RYA website: <http://www.rya.org.uk/KnowledgeBase/technical/pys.htm>. or, where no Number is published, will be allocated Trial Numbers by the Race Committee. The Race Committee may adjust Numbers during the event

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GENERAL INFORMATION (Not part of the Notice of Race)