



Torbay Week 2014

Friday 22nd – Wednesday 27th August 2014

**Incorporating: Torbay Admiral's Cup
Torbay Junior Championship
International Moth Class Grand Prix
4000 Class National Championship
Tasar Pre Nationals Open Meeting
Torbay Royal Regatta Anniversary Challenge Cup
(Supporting Sail 4 Cancer)**

Combined Clubs of Torbay Sailing Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE

**Organising authority: Torbay Week Management Group
on behalf of
Babbacombe Corinthian Sailing Club
Brixham Yacht Club
Paignton Sailing Club
Royal Torbay Yacht Club**



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NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 IRC Classes shall comply with Spinlock IRC Rules 2014 parts A, B and C, but excluding rules 21.1.5(d) and (e) and rule 22.4. With permission of the IRC Rating Authority rule 8.2 is modified to include GBR boats holding Limited Validity IRC TCC
- 1.3 One design boats other than those sailing in IRC classes shall comply with class rules applicable for 2014.
- 1.4 Torbay Harbour Bye-Laws.
- 1.5 Changes to the Racing Rules will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available for boats that may have broken a rule of Part 2, rule 31 or rule 42.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Rights to use Names and Likenesses
Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.
- 2.2 Sponsor's Logo
If competitors are issued with material by the Organising Authority for their boat bearing a sponsor's logo, they shall display such material as instructed and in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all monohull boats of the following classes or handicap divisions.
 - 3.1.1 Boats holding a valid IRC Certificate or IRC LV TCC (excluding Dayboat endorsed certificates) and a minimum SSS number of 10 (IRC class).
 - 3.1.2 Cruising boats who may not hold an IRC Rating Certificate and for whom an Unrated Cruiser handicap will be allocated by reference to the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers. An option applies for boats to enter by declaration of racing with or without a spinnaker or gennaker. This class is intended to encourage all boats and crews, including Sonatas and Folkboats (Unrated Cruiser Class).
 - 3.1.3 Dinghies with a Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap with divisions allocated according to fast, medium and asymmetric handicaps.
 - 3.1.4 Dinghies with a Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap of more than 1175 sailed by junior crews who are under the age of 18 on 28th August 2014. After assessment these entrants will be allocated to race in either gold or silver fleets. (Junior Dinghy handicap class)
 - 3.1.5 Boats of the following classes:-
Sportsboats. Handicaps will be allocated by reference to the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers, International Moth, Tasars and 4000 Class.
- 3.2 The Race Committee may, at their discretion, allocate divisions of the above classes according to handicap rating and as designated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3 Additional classes may be added by the Race Committee at their discretion.
- 3.4 A minimum of five entries is required for a Class to receive separate scoring and prizes.
- 3.5 Starts may have to be shared with other classes.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by:
 - 3.6.1 completing the entry form and any supplementary information including parent/guardian declaration for competitors under 18 on 28th August 2014 on line at www.torbayweek.co.uk and paying the required fee or;
completing the entry form and any supplementary information including parent/guardian declaration for competitors under 18 on 28th August 2014 and sending it, together with the required fee to: **Torbay Week Race Office, c/o Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH.**
- 3.7 Reduced entry fees will apply to payments received up to two weeks before the start of the Regatta i.e. until 2400 on Friday 8th August 2014, after which the full fees will apply.
- 3.8 Entries will close one week before the start of the Regatta at 2000 on Friday 15th August 2014.



- 3.9 Late entries may be accepted up to and on each race day at the discretion of the Race Committee, at the Torbay Week Race Office at Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC) and its sub race offices at Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) and Babbacombe Corinthian Sailing Club (BCSC). Entries will not be accepted at committee boats or any other place.
- 3.10 Entry and Registration must be completed before a boat competes in any race.
- 3.11 Entries in any Class may be closed when the Race Committee consider that the maximum number of boats in that class which can be safely handled has been reached.
- 3.12 An IRC boat will be required to supply a copy of her 2014 Rating Certificate or confirmation of LV IRC TCC at, or prior to, registration.
- 3.13 It is intended that IRC boats will be allocated to either Class 1, 2 or 3 according to their rating. The rating divisions will be decided and publicised no later than 2000 on Friday 22nd August 2014.
- 3.14 A boat intending to race in the PY Rated Dinghy Classes shall identify the issuing authority for its PY number on the entry form.
- 3.15 The Race Committee reserves the right to allocate handicaps for the Regatta where appropriate and by reference to any published information.
- 3.16 Teams of any three IRC boats from the same Club or regional affiliation of clubs may enter the Torbay Admiral's Cup by completing the supplementary entry form on registration, but no later than 12 noon on Saturday, 23rd August 2014.

4. ENTRY FEES

4.1 Entry Fees, including berthing for visiting keelboats, will be as follows

4.1.1 Keelboats	EARLY FEE	FULL FEE	DAY RATE
Regatta Series (Sat-Tue)	-	-	-
IRC (8 race series)	£ 100	£ 140	£ 45
Unrated Cruisers including Sonatas and Folk Boats (7 race series)	£ 90	£ 125	£ 40
Sportsboats (11 race series)	£ 90	£ 125	£ 40
4.1.2 Dinghies	EARLY FEE	FULL FEE	DAY RATE
Mixed Handicap Series 1 & 2 (Sat to Tue 12 races)	£ 55	£ 75	£ 25
Mixed Handicap Series 1 (Sat to Mon 9 race series only)	£ 45	£ 65	£ 25
Mixed Handicap Series 2 (Tue 3 race series only)	£ 20	£ 25	-
International Moth Grand Prix (Sat to Mon 9 race series)	£ 45	£ 65	
4000 National Championship (Sat to Tues 12 race series)	£ 55	£ 75	
Tasar Pre Nationals Open Meeting (Sat to Mon 9 race series)	£ 45	£ 65	
Junior Handicap Series (Sat to Wed 12 race series plus Assessment race/s)	£ 35	£ 45	£ 15
4.1.3 Anniversary Challenge Cup/Sail 4 Cancer Race:			
	£ 20	£ 25	-

Free race entry for
Torbay Week 2014 Competitors

- 4.2 No deduction will be made for any entry accepted after the first day of Regatta racing or refunds paid for non-participation.
- 4.3 Cancellations made before 2000 on 15th August 2014 will be charged an administration fee of £15, with the balance refunded. For later cancellations, no refund will be given.
- 4.4 Day Rate entrants must submit their full entry details (either online or by form) but do not have to specify their sailing date nor pay their fee until registration.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration for all classes will be available at BYC and RTYC as follows:

Friday 22nd August	1400 - 2000
Saturday 23rd August	0800 - 1200
Sunday 24th August	0900 - 1100



5.2 Registration for Dinghy Classes will be available at RTYC and BCSC as follows:

Friday 22nd August 1800 - 2000
 Saturday 23rd August 0800 - 1100

5.3 Racing Programme

Date	Classes	No. of Races	First Warning Signal
Sat 23rd August	IRC Cruisers	2	1255
	Sportsboats	2	1255
	Unrated Cruisers	2	1300
	Dinghy Classes	3	1355
	Junior Classes	Assessment	1455
Sun 24th August	IRC Cruisers	3	1055
	Sportsboats	3	1055
	Unrated Cruisers	2	1100
	Dinghy Classes	3	1055
	Junior Classes (Gold, Silver)	3	1055
Mon 25th August	IRC Cruisers	Coastal Race	1055
	Sportsboats	3	1055
	Unrated Cruisers	2	1100
	Dinghy Classes	3	1055
	Junior Classes (Gold, Silver)	3	1055
Tues 26th August	IRC Cruisers	2	1055
	Sportsboats	3	1055
	Unrated Cruisers	Coastal Race	1100
	Dinghy Classes	3	1055
	Junior Classes (Gold, Silver)	3	1055
Wed 27th August	All boats, except Junior Classes	Anniversary Challenge Cup/ Sail 4 Cancer Race	1025
	Junior Classes (Gold, Silver)	3	1055

5.4 The Anniversary Challenge Cup Race is a stand-alone race and does not count for series scores, Admiral's Cup or Addison Gold Cup.

5.5 The Anniversary Challenge Cup race will be a pursuit race for all boats that have entered Torbay Week 2014, excluding Junior handicap entries. The first boat to finish will be awarded the Torbay Royal Regatta Anniversary Challenge Cup and a cash prize of 201 guineas. This Cup and Prize was first sailed for in 2013 to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the first regatta held in Tor Bay and has been presented by the Torbay Royal Regatta Committee.

6. MEASUREMENT

6.1 The Organisers may weigh or inspect any boat or her equipment, sails and rating certificate at any time.

6.2 Rating Certificates for IRC Yachts shall not be changed after 1400 on Friday 22nd August 2014, except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating office errors. Any change of rating from that declared on the entry form must be notified to the Torbay Week Race Office or Brixham Yacht Club Race Office by the above date and time.

6.3 Boats not having an allocated registered sail number shall request, in writing, a number to be allocated by the Race Committee and are required to comply with rule 77.

6.4 Rule 52 – Manual power shall not apply to Unrated Cruiser class and the use of automatic pilots whether electronic or otherwise is therefore permitted. Boats using stored power for the adjustment or operating of running rigging (e.g. backstays, runners, checkstays, sheets, guys etc.), but excluding the hoisting, reefing or furling of sails shall declare this on their entry form.



7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be published on the Torbay Week website www.torbayweek.co.uk and also posted on the Notice Boards at Babbacombe Corinthian Sailing Club, Brixham Yacht Club and Royal Torbay Yacht Club by 1800 on Thursday, 21st August 2014. Sailing Instructions will also be issued at registration.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be laid in Torbay and adjacent coastal waters.
- 8.2 A selection of courses including Windward-Leeward, Windward-Leeward-Triangle, Triangle and Inshore Coastal courses will be laid.
- 8.3 It is intended that there will be several different course areas designated as K1 for IRC, K2 for Unrated Cruisers and Sportsboats. D1 for Junior Class Dinghies, D2 for Dinghy Classes. D3 for International Moths, 4000s and Tasars.
- 8.4 Courses may be combined depending on boat numbers.

9. EXONERATION PENALTY

The penalty will be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 45% of the number of boats entered in a class, rounded up to the next whole number. The scores of other boats will not be changed, therefore two boats may receive the same score.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Points System of Appendix 'A' will apply, except as changed by 10.2 to 10.5 below.
- 10.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. For the purpose of the International Moth Class UK Grand Prix Open Meeting one race is required to complete a series.
- 10.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4 When from four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 10.5 When seven or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 10.6 The Admiral's Cup Team racing for teams of any three IRC boats will be scored for the races sailed from Saturday to Tuesday inclusive with discards applied. A boat may be scored for only one team.
- 10.7 All corrected times for handicap classes will be corrected to the nearest second to determine finishing place.
- 10.8 The Addison Gold Cup will be awarded by the Torbay Royal Regatta Committee to the IRC boat that achieves the best result by taking all scores from completed races in the IRC Series without discard. If a tie is not eliminated by application of Appendix A8 the tie will be broken by taking into consideration the number of boats competing in each class. This supplements the provision contained in Appendix A in the rules.

11. BERTHING, BOAT PARKING AND LAUNCHING

- 11.1 Boat parking for competing dinghies will be available, free of charge, on Haldon Pier, Torquay from 1500 on the day before the first race in which the boat is entered until 1000 on the day following the final race in which the boat is entered.
- 11.2 The main launch area for Dinghies and Junior Dinghies will be from the slipway adjacent to Haldon Pier, Torquay and Oddicombe Beach, Babbacombe for the International Moths Grand Prix; Laser 4000 National Championship and Tasar Pre Nationals.
- 11.3 Boat parking for Dinghy and Junior Dinghy Classes will be available, free of charge, on Haldon Pier, Torquay from 1500 on Friday 22nd August until 1000 on Thursday 28th August and at Oddicombe Beach, Babbacombe during the period of the Regatta.
- 11.4 Berthing for visiting keelboats will be provided (subject to availability), free of charge, on the Visitor's Pontoon in Torquay Harbour and on the Town Pontoon in Brixham Harbour, from 1500 on the day before the first race in which the boat is entered until 1000 on the day following the final race in which the boat is entered.



12. PERSONAL BUOYANCY

- 12.1 All competitors in Dinghy Classes and Junior Classes shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat. This changes preamble to part 4 of rules and rules 40 and 27.1.
- 12.2 All boats competing in classes other than those in 12.1 above shall carry adequate personal buoyancy for each person on board whilst racing.

13. SAFETY

- 13.1 All Sportsboats and Unrated Cruiser classes shall comply with safety rules in accordance with the Appendix of Safety Rules forming part of this Notice of Race.
- 13.2 All IRC boats shall comply with the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 5 monohull, plus a means of propulsion other than the boat's sails. Links to the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations are available on www.rtyc.org.
- 13.3 A Tally system for all dinghies will be operated at launching sites in Torquay and Oddicombe Beach, Babbacombe. Full details will be included in Sailing Instructions.
- 13.4 All boats other than those above shall comply with Class or Handicap System Safety Rules.
- 13.5 All boats carrying VHF radio shall be capable of receiving and transmitting marine channels 6, 8, 10, 72 and 77.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats in her class. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and any other personal communication devices.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Trophies and prizes will be awarded for all classes including each division of IRC and handicap classes and also for Admiral's Cup Team racing, Addison Gold Cup and the Anniversary Challenge Cup/Sail 4 Cancer Pursuit Race.
- 15.2 Following the prize giving ceremonies, all Torbay Week perpetual trophies will be retained by the awarding authority.
- 15.3 To be eligible for any prizes supplied by the Torbay Week Organising Authority boats shall be entered for the full series prior to the first race scheduled.

16. MEMBERSHIP

- 16.1 All competitors and their guests will be deemed to be temporary members of Babbacombe Corinthian Sailing Club, Brixham Yacht Club and Royal Torbay Yacht Club during the event and as such shall abide by all of the Club Rules and Byelaws.

17. RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

- 17.1 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."
- 17.2 Torbay Week accepts no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to skipper or crew or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.
- 17.3 The skipper and crew shall be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the boat's crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both the person in charge and crew being excluded from future races and renders a boat liable to disqualification.
- 17.4 The race committee shall make starting signals unless in their opinion it is manifestly unsafe for any of the boats entered to remain in the vicinity of the starting line. Each boat shall exercise her responsibility under Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race and decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.
- 17.5 No boat shall be accepted as an entry unless the skipper of the boat has, before the start of the race, signed a declaration in the terms set out in the entry form.
- 17.6 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:
 - 17.6.1 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;



- 17.6.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;
 - 17.6.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - 17.6.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate
 - 17.6.5 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;
 - 17.6.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - 17.6.7 Vessels setting to sea for offshore and coastal races 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 safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew;
- 17.7 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

18. INSURANCE

Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party cover of not less than £3,000,000 for Keelboats or £2,000,000 for Dinghies and it is the Owner's or Owner's Representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate. No responsibility will be accepted by Torbay Week Management Group, or any other party involved in the organisation of the Race.

19. IDENTIFICATION OF CLASSES

IRC Boats (Numerals 1, 2 and 3), Unrated Cruiser Handicap Class (Numeral 4), will be required to display their Class Flag with a hoist of not less than 9 inches on their backstay, or if the boat has no backstay, on the starboard shroud, whilst racing.

20. RYA RACING CHARTER AND BEHAVIOUR

- 20.1 Competitors should note that Torbay Week has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that when entering competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the charter.
- 20.2 The Owner or Owner's Representative in rule 78.1 shall be responsible for the conduct of their boat's crew at all time during Torbay Week.

21. HARBOURS

All entrants should be aware that Torquay and Brixham are a commercial harbours and regard should be given to commercial vessels.



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APPENDIX OF SAFETY RULES

All Sportsboats and Unrated Cruiser classes shall comply with the following rules; but if class rules provide a higher safety standard then class rules apply.

A Buoyancy

Boats shall either be self-righting from 60 degrees or have enough reserve buoyancy to support the boat and crew for at least 30 minutes following a capsized. Boats shall be equipped with suitable means for bailing or pumping.

B Flares

Boats shall carry in a waterproof pack at least two red hand flares and two orange smoke flares.

C Fire Extinguisher

Boats carrying engine or cooking fuel shall carry a fire extinguisher and a stout bucket of 9 litres minimum capacity attached to a lanyard.

D Personal Buoyancy and Man Overboard

- i) Boats without lifelines, or with lifelines which do not meet ISAF Offshore Special regulations Cat 5, shall carry personal buoyancy for each crewmember at least sufficient to comply with RRS 40.1. It is recommended that personal buoyancy be worn by all crew members at all times whilst racing.
- ii) Boats with lifelines which meet ISAF Offshore Special regulations Cat 5 shall carry personal buoyancy or lifejackets for each crewmember. Boats shall also carry a rescue quoit or throw bag with at least 15m of floating line and at least one lifebuoy or life sling.

E First Aid

Boats shall carry a waterproof first aid pack with instructions.

F Anchor

Boats shall carry a suitable anchor and sufficient warp to hold the boat in 15m depth of water in the expected racing conditions. The anchor must not protrude over the bow whilst the boat is racing.

G Compass

Boats shall carry a suitable compass - handheld is acceptable.

H Equipment

All equipment, fittings and engines shall be securely fastened.

I Propulsion

A means of propulsion, other than the boats sails, is to be provided.

J Communication

Fixed or handheld VHF must be carried at all times.

