 

Yealm Yacht Club and UK Ballad Association

United Kingdom Ballad National Championships Fri 25th May - Mon 28th May 2018

Yealm Yacht Club Newton Ferrers

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES
   1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the requirements of the River Yealm Harbour Authority regulations, and the UK Ballad Association.
   2. The Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 1998 and the Plymouth Local Notices to Mariners shall apply. See <https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/qhm-plymouth>"
   3. The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. Decisions from RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed. See the following website for details: <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing>/raceofficials/Pages/RulesDisputesProcess.aspx

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the UK Ballad Class subject to the requirement that the skipper be a member of the UK Ballad Class Association (provided that such association is in existence on 25 May 2018).

3.2 Entrants will indicate at the point of entry whether they intend to race as level-rated Class racing or in the white sails class. Late entry to the white sail class will be possible at the Friday evening briefing. The white sail class shall have a separate start after the level raced racing class. Should insufficient (fewer than 2) entries for a white sails class be received they will race from the same start.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fees to Jon & Elly Pegg (contact details below) marked Ballad Nationals by Fri 11th May. Entries after that date may be accepted at the discretion of the organising committee.

4. FEES

4.1 Championship entry fee per boat including 3 nights berthing £90

4.2 Late entry fee (after 11th May ) an additional £20-00

5. SCHEDULE

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| Date | Time |  |
| Friday May 25th 2018 | 19:30 | Skippers briefing at YYC |
| Sat 26th May 2018 | 10:30  (no earlier than) 14:30 | First warning signal Championship Race 1  First warning signal Championship Race 2 |
| Sun 27th May 2018 | 10:30  (no earlier than) 14:30  19:30 for 20:00 | First warning signal Championship Race 3  First warning signal Championship Race 4  Prizegiving dinner |
| Mon 28th May 2018 | 9:30 | Warning signal for first boat to start Pursuit Passage Race |

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Will be published on the YYC and Albin Ballad association webpages

An electronic copy will be sent to all entrants by email on provision of a vaild email address.

7. VENUE

7.1 Mouth of the River Yealm, Wembury Bay, Plymouth Sound.

8. COURSES

8.1 Courses may be round laid marks in Wembury bay, or navigation marks in the vicinity of Plymouth Breakwater. The order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left will be announced by VHF Ch 77.

9. SCORING

9.1 The scoring system is as follows: as described in Appendix A of the RRS using the Low Point System.

9.2 4 races are required to be completed in order to constitute a series.

9.3 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her Race scores, excluding her worst score.

10. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be marked with a YYC burgee

11. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned moorings in the harbour..

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

All boats shall be required to carry an operating VHF radio on Ch 77

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, other than from the Race Committee on Channel 77. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

13. TROPHIES and PRIZES

1st overall National Champion Jean Ellis Memorial trophy

2nd overall Upper Deck trophy

3rd overall Toms trophy

Highest placed Fowey yacht (after first three overall) Pam Sheridan trophy

Highest place Plymouth yacht (after first three overall) Old Ferry Inn trophy

Concourse d’elegance (racing and cruising) Julian Foye trophy

Yacht travelling furthest from her home port to the Championships The Noakes and Habermehl trophy

Best Endeavour The Variety trophy

White Sail Division Winner Corinthian Trophy

Last Overall Rocky’s Spoon

Engraved glassware will be awarded to all trophy winners and all competing yachts will be awarded a souvenir of the event.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

16. SOCIAL ARRANGMENTS

Yealm Yacht Club welcomes all competitors and their guests.

On Friday evening we will provide a 1 course supper for £9-00 per head. Desserts will be available for those who want them.

On Saturday there will be a Barbecue with meat and fish available served with salads. £9-00 per head

On Sunday there will be a 2 course dinner and prize-giving £18-00 per person. This event will be exclusively for the Ballad Association.

Pre booking and payment for the Sunday Dinner is essential

Pre booking for Friday and Saturday evening is advised to avoid disappointment, as the club will be busy

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Jon Pegg (07979591999) Elly Pegg 8 Munro Avenue, Collaton Park, Newton Ferrers, Devon PL8 2NQ (07976 231722) Email: thepeggs1973@gmail.com