

Notice of Race

Devon Yawl National Championships

Saturday 2nd – Sunday 3rd July 2022

1 General

The organising authority will be the Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) in conjunction with the Devon Yawl Association. All competitors and their friends will be honorary members of BYC for the duration of this event.

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2 Rules

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024. If there is any conflict with a Sailing Instruction, the Sailing Instruction shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 2.2 The event is open to all boats of the Devon Yawl and Devon Dayboat classes subject to the requirement that the helm be a member of the Devon Yawl Association throughout the regatta.
The Devon Yawl Association Class Rules available on the Devon Yawl Association website (<https://devonyawl.co>) apply.
- 2.3 Competitors should note that Brixham Yacht Club has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that when entering competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found in the yellow pages at the front of the RYA rule book after 'Definitions'.
- 2.4 The RYA Post Race Penalty and the Advisory hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Disputes procedures will be available. These procedures are available on the RYA website and will be posted on the Notice Board.
- 2.5 RRS 40.1 will apply.
- 2.6 The following Racing Rules will be changed:
RRS28, 32.1, 32.2, 35, 62.1 and Appendix A additional definition for a shortened course and sweep back finish system
RRS 33 Change of the next leg of the course
RRS 35 additional time limits for races,
RRS 60.1(a), 62.1 and 62.2 limitations on grounds for redress
RRS 63.1, appendix A4 and A5, scores determined by the Race Committee

RRS 63.2 notice to protest and redress hearings
RRS 64.1 discretionary penalties less than disqualification
RRS Appendix A2, number of discards in a series
Race Signals : Meaning of AP, K & W

2.7 The BYC rules regarding Covid in force during the event will apply in addition to any law or government guidance.

3 Entries

- 3.1. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, to Michael Roberts, Fern Hill, 11 Henty Avenue, Dawlish, Devon EX7 0AP by 1800 on 25 June 2022. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority.
- 3.2 Entry fees including harbour dues are £60 per boat.

4 Provisional Programme, Scoring

4.1 Friday 1st July:

1500 onwards Arrival, launching and tying on pontoon – See below
1930 Sailing suppers available - booking by Monday before the event essential

Saturday 2nd July:

0900 – 1015 Registration in clubhouse
1030 Competitors briefing (Bar)
1045 Flag D up & shuttling crews to their boats commencing – Olympic Rib
1155 Race 1 Warning Signal (3 races scheduled)
1600 – 1700 Estimated time for returning to harbour. Shuttling crews ashore – Olympic Rib
1830 Sailing suppers available - booking essential

Sunday 3rd July:

0845 Class representative to meet Peter Lytton
0930 Flags D up & shuttling crews to their boats commencing – Olympic Rib
1055 Race 4 Warning Signal (3 races scheduled)
1400 – 1500 Estimated time for returning to harbour. Shuttling crews ashore – Olympic Rib
1600 approx Prizegiving (Bar) After Prizegiving snacks available
1700 onwards Boats recovery

- 4.2. The race committee reserves the right to alter the racing programme at its discretion to suit the weather conditions on the day. The social programme may be changed by BYC by arrangement with Association officials.

4.3 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

Each boat's score shall be the total of all her races, except that discards shall be applied as follows-

when fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores;

when 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

4.7. Sailing Instructions will be issued by 1st June 2022

5 Berthing

5.1. Boats will be berthed on the pontoons in front of the Clubhouse.

6 Risk Statement

6.1. RRS 3 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."

6.2. 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:

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 while taking part in the event.

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 event 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 responsibilities.

f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as it can be practically provided in the circumstances.

g) It is their responsibility to familiarize 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 the extremes of weather; that there is 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.

i) Their boat is adequately insured with cover of at least £3,000,000 (three million pounds) against third party claims per event or the equivalent.

6.3. **INSPECTIONS:** Boats may be inspected at any time.

The fact that the race committee conducts inspections does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

6 Media Rights

6.1. The media rights belong jointly to Brixham Yacht Club & Devon Yawl Association. In entering for this event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and any sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the races, as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, in which he/she participates, without compensation. The participants also undertake not to allow any act of reproduction, public communication or any distribution of images of the racing without previous authorisation from Brixham Yacht Club or Devon Yawl Association.

7 Data Protection

7.1 Competitors will be required when entering to consent to use by the Organising Authority of their personal data.

8 Prizes

8.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

DYA Rose Bowl and Devon Rally Cleat – Overall winner

Foc'sle Trophy – Overall second place

Builder's Trophy – Winner, first race

Topsham Plate – Winner, second race

Exe Enigma – Winner, third Race

Fulford Shield – Winner fourth race

Devon Yawl Plate – Winner, fifth race

Zephyr Challenge Cup – Winner, sixth race

Dan Trout Trophy – First Topsham boat overall

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

Appendix 1

