

**Royal Thames Yacht Club**

**Inshore Regatta Series 2008**  
for 45ft Level Racing Classes

for the

**Royal Thames David Diehl  
Trophy**



**Notice of  
Race**

## 1. Rules and Eligibility

- 1.1 The rules applicable are as follows:
- RRS with RYA prescriptions
  - ORC Special Regulations Category 4
  - The Sailing Instructions

Where there is a conflict between the above, succeeding items in the list above shall prevail.

- 1.2 The series is open to Farr 45 and DK 45 yachts and any other yacht 45ft – 46ft overall length having a maximum IRC rating of 1.240 and being a production yacht of which at least four have been built from female moulds with a maximum SPA of 181.5sq m.

## 2. Race Schedule

May 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> RTYC Inshore series 1 - Hamble-Solent  
*windward-leeward races, up to four races a day, first start not before 1000.*

June 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> RTYC Inshore Series 2 – Hamble-Solent  
*8-boat match racing series.*

September 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> RTYC Inshore Series 3 – Hamble-Solent  
*windward-leeward races, up to four races a day, first start not before 1000. This regatta will include a separate series for TP52s*

Entry to the series will be deemed to have taken place if a boat enters for any regatta in the RTYC Inshore series 1 to 3. At least two regattas must be completed to constitute a series.

## 3. Scoring System

- 3.1 The Low Point System as provided in RRS Appendix A shall apply. Points shall be awarded for each race in each regatta in accordance with Appendix A4.1 to determine the result of the regatta. There shall be no excluded score in the regatta.
- 3.2 The overall result in the regatta shall be used in awarding points for the series. Thus the lowest-scoring boat in the regatta shall score one series point, the next two series points and so on. There shall be no excluded worst score for the series.
- 3.3 A series tie will be determined in favour of the boat that scored better than the other boat in more regattas. If the tie still remains it will be resolved in favour of the ranking of the boats on the last regatta of the series or (if a tie exists) the most recent regatta preceding the last regatta where there is not a tie. This changes Appendix A.
- 3.4 Rule A9 is modified such that a boat that does not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place **12** more than the boats that came to the starting area.

## 4. Trophies and prizes

- 4.1 The overall series winner will be awarded the Royal Thames David Diehl Trophy. A Keeper prize and certificate will accompany the trophy.

- 4.2 Royal Thames silver and glassware will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed boats in each RTYC Inshore series regatta.
- 4.3 Regatta trophies and prizes will be awarded at the Class dinner to be held at the Royal Thames Yacht Club, 60 Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7LF during October.
- 4.4 The David Diehl overall series trophy will be awarded at the Royal Thames Yacht Club annual Prizewinners' dinner to be held in the Royal Thames Yacht Club clubhouse, 60 Knightsbridge, London on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2008.

## 5. Entry fees.

5.1

Entry fee for regattas 1 and 3, per regatta	Entry fee for regatta 2 (match racing)
£160	£350

- 5.2 An entry form accompanied by the appropriate fee must be received at Royal Thames Yacht Club no later than 10 days before the regatta to which the entry form and fee relate. If fewer than five entries for any regatta have been received by the closing date, the regatta will not be held. Pro rata refunds of entry fees already paid will be made in respect of such cancelled regattas.
- 5.3 Entry to Regatta 2 (match racing) is limited to 8 boats.

## 6. RESPONSIBILITY

- 6.1 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 6.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By leaving her mooring or, in the event of a crew change, by coming to the starting area the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 6.3 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 been caused, 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 beachmasters.

## 7. Crew Weight, Crew Lists and Crew Weighing

- 7.1 The rules of the Solent Level Racing classes shall apply.

## 8. Race Communications - VHF

All boats competing shall carry an operational VHF marine radiotelephone equipped with Channels 16, 6, 12, 67, 72 & 77. The course to be sailed will normally be announced on VHF Ch. 72. VHF Ch. 77 may be used as an alternative if necessary.

**9. Alternative Penalties**

The penalty for an infringement of a rule of Part 2 of the RRS while racing shall be a single 360° turn unless the infringement occurs within two boat lengths of a mark in which case the penalty shall be a 720° turn. This changes rules 44.1 and 44.2.

**10. Amendments to this Notice of Race, conflict with Sailing Instructions.**

The organising authority may at any time amend this Notice of Race and will promulgate such amendments in the same manner as the promulgation of the Notice of Race. In the event of conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions for a regatta in the series, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail, but for that regatta only.