

FALMOUTH CLASSICS 2021

Friday 11th to Sunday 13th June

Organising Authority (OA): Falmouth Classics Association.

This Notice of Race is subject to change owing to Covid 19 Government Regulations and Royal Yachting Association guidance. Addenda will be issued as required and alerts will be provided in newsletters and social media.

NOTICE OF RACE

- **1.1.** Racing shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2021- 2024 and RYA prescriptions.
- **1.2.** Rule 44.1 will be changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- **1.3** Rule A2.2 will be changed to restrict daily entries from being scored in the series.
- **1.4.** The sailing instructions may also change other rules.
- **1.5** The Parade of Sail and Power, will be governed by the International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, and RRS rule 1 - Safety.
- **1.6.** World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Appendix B – Inshore Racing will apply to boats whose class rules do not include safety equipment (see [www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016AppB15122015-\[19842\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016AppB15122015-[19842].pdf) for details).
- **1.7.** The sailing and parade instructions will include the following requirements:
 - 1.7.1.** All boats shall carry a working marine VHF transceiver.
 - 1.7.2.** All crew on boats without bulwarks or guard rails navigating in Falmouth Bay shall wear a personal flotation device at all times to a minimum standard required by class rules or OSR Appendix B as per 1.3 above.
 - 1.7.3.** All classes, except Falmouth Working Boats, Shrimper, and Sunbeam shall display in their shrouds number boards issued by the race office, and class flags as listed in 3.1 below. Number boards shall be displayed on both sides of the boat both while racing and during the parade.
- **2. ADVERTISING**
Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Boats with painted topsides and/or painted spars may be exempt from this requirement depending on the type of advertising. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.
- **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - **3.1 Sailing regatta.** The sailing regatta is open to boats of the following regatta classes that are either classic sailing yachts or dinghies, of traditional design and construction built before 1971, or boats built after 1971 in the spirit of tradition.

CLASS	CLASS FLAG	CLASS	CLASS FLAG
Large Falmouth Working Boat	B	Bermudan 14ft and under 25ft LOD	T

Small Falmouth Working Boat	C	Bermudan 25ft and under 30ft LOD	U
Gaffer under 23ft LOD	G	Bermudan 30ft and under 35ft LOD	E
Gaffer 23ft and under 30ft LOD	K	Bermudan 35 ft and under 40ft LOD	F
Gaffer 30ft and under 40ft LOD	Q	Shrimper	H
Gaffer 40ft LOD and over	M	Sunbeam	V
Lugger under 25ft LOD	J		
Lugger 25ft LOD and over	L	Any other class with 6 or more entrants	

3.2. Parade of Sail & Power. The parade will enable spectators to see the full panoply of classic boats gathered in Falmouth, including non-racing boats that comply with the conditions stated in regulation The parade is only open to boats that enter and complete registration (see paragraph Classic rowing boats and motor launches are most welcome to participate in the parade and shoreside functions, and if wishing to do so shall also enter and complete registration

- **3.3. Small Boat Parade.** This will not be held this year.
- **3.4. Classes.** The OA reserves the right to allocate boats to classes, and to amalgamate, cancel, divide, sub-divide or re-arrange classes, including starting classes together, at its discretion depending on entries received. Any non-listed design class with 6 or more entrants may request a separate start and prizes.
- **3.5. Falmouth Working Boats, and Sunbeams.** Class racing for Falmouth Working Boats and Sunbeams is scheduled on Saturday only, although boats will be most welcome to participate in another class on Friday, when rule 1.7.3 will apply, but will not be eligible for series prizes unless there are sufficient for a Class.
- **3.6. Minimum and Maximum Size for Racing** The minimum length on deck is 14' and the maximum size eligible for normal entry is 70ft length on deck. Longer boats may be accepted by prior agreement with the OA.
- **3.7. Registration.** All participants shall register at the regatta office and collect the Welcome Pack and the ID boards
- **3.8. Confirmation of Entry.** Final entry to the event will only be confirmed when the entrant has completed entry online (preferred) or returned the downloadable entry form, and submitted the following to the regatta office at or before registration:
 - Payment in full;
 - A completed safety form.
 - A parental consent form for participants under 18 years old;
 - JCH (Bermudan) OGA (Gaffers and Luggers) handicap or class association handicap as required (see Section 9)

Copies of relevant forms are available online from the Participant Information area of the website.
- **3.9. Closing Dates for Entry.** Series race entries will be accepted up to 10.00 on Friday 11th June. Day entries will be accepted up to 10.00 on the day of the race entered.
- **3.10. Historical Information.** All entrants are invited to submit historical information and a photograph about their boat, to be published on the website. Information should be submitted before Friday 28th May.
- **3.11.** Changes to NOR – any changes to this NOR will be posted on the website, using the online noticeboard and on social media by 7th June.

• **4 FEES**

- **4.1. Free Berthing and Mooring.** Alongside berths, visitors' moorings or anchorage are available for registered participants only and are subject to availability. Early entry and booking is advised. Berthing information will be communicated prior to the event.
- **4.2. Entry and racing fees.**

Two days racing, Parade. Two Receptions or alternatives. Prize-givings and Welcome Pack	£35
Friday's racing. Parade. Two Receptions or alternatives, prizegivings and Welcome Pack.	£30
Falmouth Working Boats and local G class. Saturday racing. Two receptions or alternatives, prizegivings and Welcome Pack	£20
Saturday racing, Two receptions or alternatives. prize givings and Welcome Pack.	£25
Parade. Two receptions or alternatives, prizegivings and Welcome Pack.	£20
Gigs. Parade only.	Free

Full refunds will be made if the event is cancelled owing to Covid 19. Refunds will be given up to 30th April if entrants are unable to participate

• **5. SCHEDULE**

The full parade, race, and social schedule is shown in the appendix.

• **6. SAILING AND PARADE INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions, and instructions for the parade, will be available online from Friday 28th May

• **7. VENUE AND COURSES**

- **7.1.** The regatta office will be situated at a venue to be arranged, and will be open at the times shown in the appendix.
- **7.2.** Racing will take place in Carrick Roads and Falmouth Bay on "round the cans" courses.
- **7.3.** The parade will be on a course in Carrick Roads (precise location depending on weather. Any changes will be displayed on the event notice boards situated near the regatta office, and posted on the event website. In addition, they may be broadcast by mobile phone text messages, and social media to be advised in Sailing Instructions.

• **8. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- **8.1.** For all classes rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty..
- **8.2.** The long-standing tradition of the regatta is not to protest unless an incident has resulted in injury or serious damage. The RYA Advisory Service will be available to any competitor wishing to clarify the rules applying to an alleged incident.

• **9. HANDICAPPING**

Shrimper and Sunbeam classes will be scored without handicaps. Falmouth Working Boats and local gaffers in Class G will use their local class association handicaps. All other Gaffers and Luggers will be scored using an OGA handicap which may be obtained free by

completing the measurement form available from the Participant Information area of the website. Bermudan rigged yachts should obtain a Jauge Classique Handicap (JCH) this is free and entrants should visit www.jch-online.org and obtain a handicap prior to entry. All entrants are strongly advised to complete and submit the OGA or JCH measurement forms as early as possible and not to leave it to the last minute.

- **10. SCORING**

- **10.1.** Single day entries will be excluded from the series results unless both days are entered. This changes rule A2.2.
- **10.2.** Three races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute the Series.

- **11. PRIZES**

- **11.1.** An individual race prize will be awarded for the winner in each class. Place prizes will also be awarded subject to the number of boats competing in each class.
- **11.2.** All Individual race prizes will be presented on Saturday evening at the RCYC, prior to the barbecue. Please note venue and barbecue are subject to Covid regulations.
- Parade and overall series trophies and prizes will be presented at the final prize-giving.

- **12. RISK STATEMENT**

- **12.1.** 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”.
- **12.2.** 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:-
- **12.3.** 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;
- **12.4.** They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- **12.5.** They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions and omissions;
- **12.6.** Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- **12.7.** 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;
- **12.8.** Provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- **12.9.** They are familiar with the location in which they are racing, in particular any hazards.

- **13. INSURANCE**

Each boat participating in the sailing regatta and/or one or more of the parades shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

- **14. MEDIA RIGHTS**

Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

- **15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please visit the event website www.falmouthclassics.org.uk or contact the Falmouth Classics Organising Committee: Tel: +44 (0)1326 250604, e-mail:



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Appendix 1

Provisional Event Schedule

NB Subject to change at short notice owing to Covid 19