



**Falmouth Classics 2021**



# FALMOUTH CLASSICS

Friday 11th to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Falmouth, UK**

Organising Authority: Falmouth Classics Association. Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

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- 1.1** The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*. Racing rules and definitions are changed as follows:
- 1.2**
- (a) rules 29.2 - see SI 10.6
  - (b) rule 35, A4 and A5 - see SIs 10.5 & 13
  - (c) rule 44.1 - see SI 12
  - (d) rule 60.1(a) - see SI 14.2
  - (e) rule 62.1(a) - see SIs 2, 10.4 & 17.1.
  - (f) rule 66 - see SI 14.5
  - (g) race signals AP - see SI 4.2.
  - (h) rules 21.1, 29.1, 30, 44.2 The definition of Starting and Finishing is changed for classes B, C, M, K, G, H' L. J and Q. For these classes the term "hull" includes the bowsprit.
  - (i) Rule 26. see S.I.10.4 and 10.8.

### NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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- 3** Notices to competitors will be posted on Face Book and You Tube  
. The race office may use email and SMS to alert competitors that a notice has been posted. Failure to receive an alert will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

### CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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- 4** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to starting times or procedures will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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- 4.1** No signals will be displayed ashore.

### SCHEDULE OF RACES

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- 5.1** A on-line skipper's briefing will be available on Facebook and You Tube.

- 5.2 Two races are scheduled on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June and one race on Saturday 12th June.
- 5.3 The scheduled times of the first warning signals for each race are 1125 and 1355 on Friday and 1125 on Saturday. No race will be re-sailed.
- 5.4 Classes and order of starting are shown in Appendix A.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

These are given in appendix A.

## 7 COURSES

- 7.1 Racing will take place in Carrick Roads and Falmouth Bay on 'round the cans' courses. Courses to be sailed by each class will be displayed on the side of the race committee signals vessel away from the start line. Class letters will be displayed on the top row. Beneath this, courses for each class will be designated as follows:
- Either a course numeral selected from the list of courses at Appendix B, or
  - A sequence of mark letters indicating the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left. **Red** letters signify that a mark is to be passed to **port** and **green** letters indicate that a mark is to be left to **starboard**.

## 8 MARKS

Course mark letters, descriptions and co-ordinates are listed in Appendix C, together with a chartlet illustrating the approximate positions.

## 9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 St Mawes south cardinal buoy must be passed to the south at all times.
- 9.2. Merchant and naval shipping. Areas around merchant and naval vessels under way and constricted in their ability to manoeuvre are designated as moving exclusion zones. Such exclusion zones extend to 100m on all sides of the vessel and include tugs, pilot boats and safety boats escorting the vessel. No boat shall enter the exclusion zone, and, if becalmed, shall endeavour to use other means of propulsion to move out of the way. This should only be sufficient to move out of the exclusion zone, and the distance travelled should be the shortest necessary to keep clear. Competitors who unnecessarily interfere with shipping bring the sport into disrepute and risk reporting by the race committee under RRS 69 – Misconduct. A complaint by the Harbour Authority will initiate a report by the race committee.
- 9.3 Diving activity. Exclusion zones extend 30m around a dive boat displaying international code flag 'A', an orange pillar mark indicating a diver beneath the surface, and a diver on the surface. No boat shall enter the exclusion zone.

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 The race committee signals vessel will be Donna Capel and will positioned downwind in Carrick Roads to give a start to windward.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee signals vessel at the starboard end and an orange buoy at the port end.
- 10.3 Races will be started using rule 26, i.e.

Minutes before starting signal	Sound signal	Meaning
5	One	Warning signal
4	One	Preparatory signal
1	One long	One minute to start
0	One	Starting signal

**10.4** No class flags or prep flag will be displayed. VHF channel 77 will broadcast the class and starting signals.

**10.4** A countdown to each signal may be broadcast by the race committee on VHF Ch.77. Failure to receive this broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

**10.5** Any boat starting more than 4 minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rules A4.

**10.6** General Recall. In the event of a general recall the 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute will be removed 4 minutes after the start without a further sound signal. The new warning signal for the recalled class will be made at the last scheduled starting signal (i.e. 'Back of the Queue' method). If more than one class is recalled then their re-starts will be in the original order. This changes rule 29.2.

**10.7.** No boat may, after starting, sail through the starting line.

**10.8** A boat in classes B, C, M, K, G, H, L, J and Q will start when its bowsprit first crosses the line. This alters the definition of Starting.

## 11 THE FINISH

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**11.1** The finish will be between a committee boat flying a blue flag and an orange inflatable buoy. The finish boat will be Melkin – a 30ft Westerly Longbow – and will be positioned close to the Falmouth Harbour speed limit buoys ( see appendix C and chart of race area )

**11.2** When 2 races are sailed on Friday, the first race may be shortened at a mark of the course so as to position boats for the second start.

**11.3** No boat may sail through the finish line except when finishing,

**11.4** A boat in classes B, C, G, K, Q, M, L and J will finish when its bowsprit first crosses the finish line. This alters the definition of finishing.

## 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

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Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## 13 TIME LIMITS

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Format	Time Limit
Two-race day	2 hours after each class start
One-race day	3 hours after each class start

13.2 There will be no time limit extension.

13,3 Boats failing to finish within the time limits will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

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**14.1** The long-standing tradition of the regatta is not to protest unless an incident has resulted in injury or serious damage.

**14.2** Breaches of SI 16 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**14.3** Protest forms are available at the race office on Friday and from the RCYC on Saturday. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the time limit.

**14.4** The protest time limit for each class is 60 minutes after the last boat in the class finishes.

**14.5** On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered not later than 30 minutes after RRS Race Signals N over A is displayed ashore if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day. This adds to RRS 66.

## 15 SCORING

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**15.1** Single day entries will be excluded from the series results unless both days are entered.

**15.2** Three races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute the series.

## 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

**16.1** Boats retiring shall make every effort to inform the race committee by VHF Ch.77 before leaving the race area, or the race office after returning ashore using the contact details given to the boat at registration.

**16.2** If racing for a class or classes is abandoned for the day after the start (flag N over flag A) a boat shall promptly inform the race committee on VHF Ch.77, or the race office using the contact details given to the boat at registration, when she is safely in her berth or on her mooring.

**16.3** All competitors on boats not fitted with bulwarks or guard rails sailing in Falmouth Bay shall wear a personal flotation device at all times to a minimum standard required by class rules or OSR Appendix B.

**16.4** Competitors who leave the safety of the cockpit of a boat not fitted with bulwarks or guard rails shall wear a personal flotation device at all times to a minimum standard required by class rules or OSR Appendix B.

## 17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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**17.1** In addition to start countdowns the race committee may broadcast on VHF Ch.77 course information and general and individual recalls. The race committee may also update competitors on general race management topics, e.g. shipping movements, postponement, abandonment, general recalls. Failure to receive this broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

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## 18 PRIZES

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**18.1** Perpetual trophies and 'keeper' prizes will be presented to the series winners in each class. Place prizes will also be awarded subject to the number of boats competing in each class.

**18.2** Individual race prizes will be awarded subject to the number of boats competing in each class.

## 19 RISK STATEMENT

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**19.1** 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."

**19.2** Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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 whilst 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise 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 extremes of weather; that there is a 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.

## **20 INSURANCE**

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Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## Appendix A

### Classes and Scheduled Start Times

#### Friday 11h June

Class (all lengths are LOD)	Class flag	START TIME	
		First race	Second race
Bermudans 35ft and over	F	1130	1400
Gaffers 40ft and over	M	1135	1405
Bermudans 30ft and under 35ft	E	1140	1410
Gaffers 30ft and under 40ft	Q	1145	1415
Gaffers over 23 ft and under 30ft	K	1155	1425
Bermudans 25ft and under 30ft.	U	1200	1430
Bermudans 14ft and under 25ft	T	1205	1435
Gaffers 23ft and under	G	1210	1440
Shrimpers	H	1215	1445
Luggers 25ft and over	L	1220	1450
Luggers under 25ft	J	1225	1455

#### Saturday 12th June

Class (all lengths are LOD)	Class flag	START TIME
		One race
Bermudans 35ft and over	F	1130
Gaffers 40ft and over	M	1135
Bermudans 30ft and under 35ft	E	1140
Gaffers 30ft and under 40ft	Q	1145
Sunbeams (1) (2)	V	1150
Large Falmouth Working Boats. (2)	B	1200
Small Falmouth Working Boats. (2)	C	1205
Gaffers over 23ft and under 30ft	K	1210
Bermudans 25ft. and under 30ft.	U	1215
Bermudans 14ft and under 25ft	T	1220
Gaffers 23ft and under.	G	1225
Shrimpers. (2)	H	1230
Luggers 25ft and over.	L	1235
Luggers under 25ft.	J	1240

Note 1. These classes are not required to fly class flags

Note 2 These classes are not required to display number Boards

## Appendix B

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### Pre-set Courses

### ALL MARKS ARE ROUNDED TO PORT.

#### Wind: N Race committee signals vessel positioned N of mark 'P'

Course	Mark Sequence	Approx. distance (NM)
1	V. S. G. CA. WN. F	4.2
2	V. S. G. WN. J. F	5.2
3	J. S. G. CA. J. F	5.7
4	J. S. HD. BR. NB. F.	6.8
5	J. S. BR. V. G. WN. F	7.7
6	J. S. BR NB. S. G. V. F	9.0
7	J. S. BR. J. S. BR, V. F.	10.6
8	J. HD. Z. BR. GY. HD. V. F.	10.5
9	J. HD. Z. WN. F.	6.1

#### Wind: NE Race committee signals vessel positioned near mark 'G'

11	J. S. WN. V. F	4.2
12	J. S. CA. V. F	5.3
13	J. S. P. J. F	6.4
14	J. S. P. J. G. WN. F	8.0
15	J. S. HD.J. S. G. WN. F	9.2
16	J. S. HD.J. HD. WN. F.	10.8
17	J. S. HD. CA. GY. Z. WN. F.	10.5
18	V. HD. WN. F.	5.8

#### Wind: E Race committee signals vessel positioned near mark 'T'

21	WN. V. S. G. CA. WN. F	4.5
22	WN. NB. S. P. CN. F	5.6
23	WN. V. S. HD. Z. WN. F.	6.7
25	WN. V. S. HD. Z. HD.Z. WN. F.	8.9
26	WN. V. HD. Z. HD. Z. V. F.	9.6
27	WN. J. HD. Z. BR. GY. HD. WN. F.	10.2
28	WN. V. HD. CA. F.	5.4

#### Wind: SE Race committee signals vessel positioned between mark 'T' and mark 'S'

31	WN. V. S. WN. V. S. F	4.2
32	WN. V. S. CA. V. S. F	5.2
33	WN. V. S. Z. WN. F	6.4
34	WN. V. S. BR. V. S. CA. WN. F	7.8
35	WN. V, S. Z. V. BR. CA. F	9.2
36	CN. V. S. Z. S. P. WN. F.	10.5

37	CN. NB. S. Z. CN. GY. HD. WN. F.	11.0
38	P. CN. CA. HD. BR. WN. F	5.4

<b>Wind S</b>	<b>Race Committee signals vessel positioned near mark NB</b>	
41	P. CA. V. F	3.7
42	P. CA. V. G. WN. F	5.2
43	P. CA. J. P. CA. V. F	7.3
44	P. CA. J. P. CA. V. G. WN. F	9.2
45	P. CA. J. P. CA. V. G. CA. WN. F	9.9
46	P. CA. V. HD. BR. J. P. WN. F	10.8
47	HD. Z, BR, GY, Z. V. F.	9.8
48	HD. Z. WN. F.	5.3

**Wind: SW Race committee signals vessel positioned near mark "V"**

51	G. WN. J. F	3.6
52	G. WN. J. G. WN. F	5.0
53	G. CA. J. P. WN. F	6.0
54	G. CA. J. G. J. F	7.2
55	HD. CA. WN. HD. BR. V. F	7.4
56	HD. BR. WN. HD. BR. J. F	8.2
57	HD. BR. J. HD. BR. NB. F	10.0
58	HD. Z. CN. GY. Z. V. F.	9.0
59	GY. Z. WN. F.	6.3

**Wind: W Race committee signals vessel positioned South-east of mark V.**

61	WX. P. WN. F	3.2
62	WX.G. WN. WX. G. WN. F	4.4
63	WX. BR. CN. HD. CN. F.	6.0
64	WX. Z. CN. HD. BR. WN, F.	6.9
65	WX. Z. CN. HD. CN. HD. BR. WN. F.	9.2
66	WX. Z. CN. GY. Z. CN. WN. F.	9.3
47	GY. Z. WN. F.	6.8

**Wind: NW Race committee signals vessel positioned near mark 'CN'**

71	V. G. P. CA. F	4.1
72	V. G. CA. NB. F	5.4
73	V. G.. Z. NB. F	7.1
74	V. G. BR. NB. G. CA. F	8.0
75	V. G. Z, NB. G. CA. F	9.3
76	V. HD. Z. NB. P. CA. F	9.8
77	V. HD. Z. CA. GY. BR. F.	9.4
78	G. GY. Z. WN. F	6.1



## Appendix C

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### Mark information & chartlet

ID	Name	Description	Coordinates
BR	Black Rock	Port lateral	N50° 08.68' W005° 01.74'
CA	Castle	Starboard lateral	N50° 09.00' W005° 01.65'
CN	SKB Sails (Carricknath)	Orange conical inflatable attached to yellow spherical with name	N50° 08.73' W005° 01.22'
F	Finish	See paragraph 11 and chartlet	See Chartlet
G	Governor	East cardinal	N50° 09.15' W005° 02.40'
GY	Penryn Dental Practice (Gyllyngvase)	Small yellow spherical.	N50. 08.30. W005 03.60
HD	Hine Downing (Headland)	Small yellow spherical	N50 .08.30 W005.02.50
J	St Just	Port lateral	N50° 10.44' W005° 01.72'
NB	North Bank	Port lateral	N50° 10.37' W005° 02.13'
P	Pendennis Shipyard (Pendennis)	Orange conical inflatable attached to yellow spherical with name	N50° 08.78' W005° 02.10'
S	Mylor Harbour. (Sunbeam)	Orange conical inflatable attached to yellow spherical with name	N50° 09.99' W005° 02.67'
T	Penrose Sailmakers (Trefusis)	Yellow conical inflatable attached to yellow spherical with name	N50° 09.69' W005° 03.00'
V	Vilt	Starboard lateral	N50° 09.99' W005° 02.28'
WN	West Narrows	Port lateral	N50° 09.39' W005° 02.07'
WX	Windward	Large black inflatable	To windward of start line
Z	Falmouth Boat Co. (Zone)	Small yellow spherical with name	N50° 08.15' W005° 01.10'



