



THE BRITISH CLASSIC YACHT CLUB PANERAI COWES REGATTA

Sunday 18th to Saturday 24th July 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The British Classic Yacht Club in conjunction with the Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge
- 1.2 Regatta Headquarters will be in the regatta Race office situated on Cowes Yacht Haven.

2. RULES

The Race will be governed by:

- a) The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2009 – 2012).
- b) The IRC 2010 Rule
- c) The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2009/10 for Category 4 (except as modified in 5 below).
- d) Class 0 yachts shall agree to conform to the C.I.M. Code of Practice for Big Class Racing.
- e) This is a Category A event pursuant to the ISAF Advertising Code
- f) RRS 77 and Appendix G will not be enforced during this regatta.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The British Classic Yacht Club Regatta is open to 'Classic Yachts' with a current IRC Rating Certificate.
- 3.2 All yachts shall have a minimum LOD of 24 ft.
- 3.3 A 'Classic Yacht', for the purpose of the Regatta, is a monohull designed and built for recreational purposes in wood or steel to a pre-1970 design by traditional build methods.
- 3.4 Modern Classics shall be Spirit Yachts or yachts that the Committee of BCYC consider to be built with the appearance of 'a classic'.
- 3.6 Cruising classic Yachts – no IRC Certificate required.
- 3.7 The Committee reserve the right to refuse entry to any yacht of crew that it considers is not 'within the spirit of its regatta'.

4. CLASSES

Class 0 - Large Classic Yachts

Up to 5 further Classes split at the discretion of the Organising Committee whose decisions will be final.

5. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 5.1 All boats, shall comply with Category 4 of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2009/10 except that Regulations 3.09.1, 3.09.2, 3.09.4 (cockpit self draining capability, watertight integrity and cockpit sole above LWL) and 3.14 (pulpits stanchions and lifelines) shall not apply. (See www.sailing.org/rules)
- 5.2 A Class may have a race cancelled in the event of unduly adverse weather conditions relative to the safety characteristics of the Class.
- 5.3 Boats shall have sufficient inflatable lifejackets on board for each member of the crew at all times.
- 5.4 All Boats shall have VHF Channel 72.

6. HANDICAPS

- 6.1 The IRC Handicap system will be used for Races 1 – 5
- 6.2 A copy of the current IRC Rating Certificate shall accompany every entry form.
- 6.3 The attention of owner/entrants is drawn to RRS 78.1. and the Race Organisers reserve the right to make random checks on measurements given on IRC Rating Certificates.

7. RACING PROGRAMME

All Times are British Summer Time

Date	Race / Event	Time
Sunday 18 July	10:00 to 17:00	Registration for all Classes
	18:00	Skippers and Navigators Briefing for all Classes
Monday 19 July HWP 05:38	Race 1 All Classes	12:00
Tuesday 20 July HWP 06:41	Race 2 (Long Inshore Race) All Classes	08:30
Wednesday 21 July HWP 07:59	Challenge Day (*Reserve for Long Inshore Race)	10:50
Thursday 22 July HWP 09:20	Race 3 All Classes	11:00
	Race 4 All Classes except Class 0	ASAP after Race 3
Friday 23 July HWP 10:26	Race 5 & Race 4 for Class 0 All Classes	12:00
	PRIZEGIVING	19:00
Saturday 24 July HWP 11:19	Parade of Sail All Classes	11:00

Note:

- 1) "Long Inshore Race" will, subject to weather conditions, be a Round the Island Race.
- 2) Registration – will take place at the Regatta Race Office on Cowes Yacht Haven
- 3) Regatta Briefing – will take place at the Royal Yacht Squadron Pavilion.
- 4) Prize giving will take place at the Royal Yacht Squadron Pavilion.
- 5) The BCYC Committee reserve the right to alter the schedule of races to cater for adverse weather conditions.
- 6) * Challenge Day – Wednesday will allow a yacht to Challenge a larger Yacht than itself for a 'one on one' race. Starts will be staggered from the RYS line.

8. RACING AREA AND COURSES

- 8.1 All Classes for the "Long Inshore Race" will start from the Royal Yacht Squadron Line.
- 8.2 Class 0 will always start from the RYS line and will only race 1 race per day.
- 8.3 Challenge Races (Wednesday) will all start from the RYS Line.
- 8.4 Other classes, except for the "Long Inshore Race", will start from a Committee Boat in the Central Solent and use a mixture of specially laid inflatable marks and fixed racing and navigation marks. Cruising classes will have sailing around the Solent with a starting area given each day.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration.

10. ENTRY AND ENTRY FEE

The Entry Form shall be completed and returned to the British Classic Yacht Club - by **28th June 2010**. There will be an additional late entry fee of £150 after this date.

C/o MSJ Event Management

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The Entry Fee (which excludes the cost of berthing) shall be £15 per Metre up to 75' LOD per boat for BCYC Members, and £35 per Metre for non BCYC members (your measurement shall be LOA on your IRC certificate). Boats over 75' LOD shall pay an entry fee of £1500. Cruising class, please see Cruising application form.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring system for all races shall be the Low Point System in accordance with RRS Appendix A 4.1
- 11.2 One race completed will constitute a series.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 Class 0 shall race for its own points series.
- 12.2 An overall points series for other classes using all races except for the Challenge races
- 12.3 Prizes shall be awarded for the race winners, overall first, second and third position in each class and for the Overall Winner of Long Inshore Race. Cruising class will not be awarded prizes for any places.
- 12.4 Awards will be presented at the Prize Giving Reception to be held at the Royal Yacht Squadron on Friday 23rd July
- 12.5 Other prizes may be awarded.

13. INSURANCE

All boats shall hold a current certificate of insurance which covers them during the period of The Regatta, for third party claims of not less than £2,000,000 sterling.

14. BERTHING

Berthing for valid entries has been reserved in Cowes Yacht Haven but is not included in the Entry Fee. All yachts unless restrained by depth or length shall be berthed in CYH. For further information on berthing at the Yacht Haven contact r.plant60@ntlworld.com
Boats with draft over 3.5 metres which are too deep for the Yacht Haven should contact Cowes Harbour Master on 01983 293952 www.cowes.co.uk

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a) To the extent permitted by law, the Organising Authority and Race Organisers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner /competitor, his skipper or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race or races.
- b) The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor who must ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, manned by a crew sufficient in number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The owner/competitor must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging and all gear and must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.
- c) Neither the establishment of these conditions, nor their use by the Organising Authority and the Race Organisers, in any way limits the absolute responsibility of the owner/ competitor. The crew are nonetheless advised to satisfy themselves as to the experience of the skipper and the adequacy of all safety equipment and insurance arrangements.