

## RACING PROGRAMME 2024

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<b>April</b>	Tue	30	Primary Points 1 Race 1
<b>May</b>	Wed	1	Primary Points 1 Race 1
	Tue	7	Primary Points 1 Race 2
	Wed	8	Primary Points 1 Race 2
	Tue	14	Primary Points 1 Race 3
	Wed	15	Primary Points 1 Race 3
	Tue	21	Primary Points 1 Race 4
	Wed	22	Primary Points 1 Race 4
	Tue	28	Primary Points 2 Race 1
	Wed	29	Primary Points 2 Race 1
<b>June</b>	Tue	4	Primary Points 2 Race 2
	Wed	5	Primary Points 2 Race 2
	Tue	11	Primary Points 2 Race 3
	Wed	12	Primary Points 2 Race 3
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Ashton Regatta</b>
	Tue	18	Primary Points 2 Race 4
	Wed	19	Primary Points 2 Race 4
	Tue	25	Primary Points 2 Race 5
	Wed	26	Primary Points 2 Race 5
<b>July</b>	Tue	2	Holiday Points Race 1
	Wed	6	Holiday Points Race 1
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Clyde One Design Open Regatta</b>
	Tue	9	Holiday Points Race 2
	Wed	20	Holiday Points Race 2
	Tue	16	Holiday Points Race 3
	Wed	17	Holiday Points Race 3
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Etchells W/L Day 1</b>
	Tue	23	Holiday Points Race 4
	Wed	24	Holiday Points Race 4
	Tue	30	Secondary Points Race 1
	Wed	31	Secondary Points Race 1
	<b>August</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Sun</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>James Watt Dock Etchells Scottish Championship</b>
Tue		6	Secondary Points Race 2
Wed		7	Secondary Points Race 2
<b>Sat</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>Piper OD Scottish Championships</b>
<b>Sun</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>Piper OD Scottish Championships</b>
Tue		13	Secondary Points Race 3
Wed		14	Secondary Points Race 3
<b>Sat</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>Etchells W/L Day 2</b>
Tue		20	Secondary Points Race 4

	Wed	21	Secondary Points Race 4
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Cairns Regatta (Cadets)</b>
	Tue	27	Secondary Points Race 5
	Wed	28	Secondary Points Race 5
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>KGV Challenge Trophy</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Round Cumbraes Race</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Commodore's Reception and Annual Prize-giving</b>

# GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR RACING AT GOUROCK

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## 1 RULES

Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

## 2 NOTICES AND AMENDMENTS

Any notices to competitors or amendments to these instructions will be posted on the Main Notice Board in the Clubhouse.

## 3 CLASSES AND CLASS SIGNALS

Classes, start times and class signals will be as per the relevant instructions for each event or series. The relevant section of the Sailing Instructions should be studied prior to any race.

Handicap Yacht Classes will be sailed under the Clyde Yacht Clubs Association (CYCA) Handicap system except on the day of the King George V Challenge Cup when an IRC handicap class will also be available.

Yachts racing in the Handicap Yachts Restricted Sail are not permitted to use spinnakers or other sails that do not meet the definition of a "headsail" in RRS 55.4. Only one headsail may be set except as permitted by RRS 55.1, or where the yachts declared rig has more than one headsail (e.g. a cutter).

## 4 HANDICAPS AND MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATES

All Handicap Yachts must have a valid CYCA Handicap issued individually to that yacht and its current owner. Yachts not having a Handicap should apply to the CYCA office. A temporary Handicap may be issued subject to payment of the appropriate fee and submission of the Application Form. This will remain in force, subject to review, until the Handicap Committee awards an appropriate Handicap. Handicap or Class Measurement Certificates may be required to be produced.

## 5 COURSES

Courses are specified in the instructions for each event or series. The number and letter of the course to be sailed will be displayed on the gantry on the Race Platform (between the Orange Pole at the east side of the Clubhouse and the east turret) and will be white on a black background. The Standard Course Tables for Etchells and Piper OD/Handicap Class will apply except where the relevant instructions specify an alternative. Unless stated otherwise, marks shown in capital letters will be **LEFT TO STARBOARD** and those in lower case will be **left to port**. All marks are rounding marks apart from marks Z (or z) and E (or e).

## 6 STARTING SYSTEM

RRS 26 will apply

## 7 SOUND & VISUAL SIGNALS

Visual signals will be displayed on the gantry to the west of the Orange Pole on the Race Platform. All sound signals will be by klaxon.

## 8 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between the Orange Pole at the east side of the Clubhouse and an inflatable outer Mark 'Z' (or z) as indicated in the Standard Course Table. The moveable start mark Z will be laid in position 10 minutes before the first start. If the inflatable start mark Z has not been laid, then mark E (or e) will be deemed to be mark Z (or z) at the start. In addition, the **letter E** will be displayed with the course signal (Para 5, above) to draw attention to the change of start mark.

## 9 FINISHING LINE

The Finishing Line will be between the Orange Pole and Mark E (or e) as indicated by the final letter of each round.

## **10 LATE ARRIVAL**

In accordance with RRS 42.3(i) any yacht arriving late in the vicinity of the Starting Line may remain under power or tow after the preparatory signal for her class provided that, after stopping her engine or casting off the tow, she carries out two full 360° turns on the pre-start side of the line or its extensions. While doing so, the yacht shall keep clear of any other yachts until she has completed her turns and is on a proper course.

## **11 PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2**

In alteration to RRS 44 the penalty is reduced to a 360° turn.

## **12 LONE YACHT AT START**

A yacht appearing at the start alone in her class will be given a race and the race for that class will be counted in that series.

## **13 KEEPING CLEAR OF YACHTS RACING**

Yachts shall keep clear of the Starting Line when other classes are manoeuvring for their starts and after finishing shall ensure that yachts still racing are not hampered.

## **14 TIME LIMIT**

RRS 35 is altered as follows: -

If at least one yacht in a Class has completed one or more rounds before the "Fixed Time Limit" then, where an "Extension" is specified for that class in the relevant instructions, the time limit will be extended for all other yachts in that Class by the specified time. If, under this provision, any yachts are considered by the Race Officer to be still racing at the 'Fixed Time Limit', two guns will be fired and the Class flags of those Classes eligible to continue racing, during the Extension', will be hoisted. If at the expiry of any Extension, yachts are still considered to be racing, then two guns will be fired and all flags lowered to indicate the cessation of racing.

If by the "Fixed Time Limit" no yacht in a class has finished but at least one yacht in the class has completed one or more rounds, then the results will be taken from the position of the yachts at the end of the last round completed by the leading yacht in the class, without regard to subsequent events.

If by the "Fixed Time Limit, no yacht in a Class has completed one round, then the race for that Class will be deemed to be abandoned.

## **15 POINTS SYSTEM**

RRS Appendix A5 will apply using the "Low Point System". RRS Appendix A 5.3 will apply to all points' series (not Appendix A 5.2). Discards will apply as indicated in the relevant instructions for each event or series.

Skippers who miss a Points race due to being on platform duty will be awarded average points for the missed race.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS AND INSURANCE**

In addition to RRS 1.2, unless specified in a boats class rule all yachts shall carry an anchor and warp, a tow line, two flares (one smoke) and a bailing device each of which shall be of a type and size suitable for the purpose for which they are intended.

Each yacht shall carry adequate Third Party Insurance. The current recommendation is at least £3,000,000.

Competitors are also reminded of RRS 56.1 (Fog Signals and Lights) and should retire immediately if unable to comply.

## **17 PROTESTS**

In alteration to RRS 61.3 protests shall be lodged with the Race Committee within 60 mins after the finish of the race and will be heard in the Clubhouse as soon as possible thereafter, or at another time by mutual agreement of the protest committee and parties involved.

## **18 CLYDEPORT OPERATIONS LIMITED (COL) RESTRICTIONS**

NARROW CHANNELS Attention is drawn to the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea, 1972. Particular notice should be taken of Rule 9b which states 'a vessel of less than 20 metres in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a 'Narrow Channel or Fairway'. The Course Chart and Key to Racing Marks shows the 'Recommended Channels' marked as dotted lines. Whilst racing or on passage in the Firth of Clyde north of Cumbrae Head, yachts must regard any such 'Recommended Channels' as a 'Narrow Channel' within the meaning of the IRPCS 9b.

Peelports (Clydeport) Operations Limited has also decreed that any waters of the Firth of Clyde where vessels by virtue of their size, draught, speed or proximity to land, hazards and other vessels are unable to manoeuvre freely must be regarded as a 'Narrow Channel'. This also applies in the waters of the Kings Harbour. Clydeport Operations Limited waters are to the south and west and Kings Harbour waters to the north, of a line from Rosneath Point to a point approximately halfway between Craigendoran Pier and Ardmore Head, (Admiralty Chart 1994 refers). Whilst racing, any yacht which is unable for reasons of lack of wind or other cause, to sail clear of a large power-driven vessel shall start her engine and/or paddle in order to clear and thereafter shall report full details to the Race Committee. Competitors are reminded of the Clydeport Operations Limited Byelaw which prohibits yachts and other craft from manoeuvring within 100 metres of any ferry terminal. Particular regard shall be paid to this when in the vicinity of the Caledonian MacBrayne and Western Ferries facilities at Gourrock, Dunoon, McInroy's Point and Hunter's Quay.

## **19 LIABILITY**

Rule 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".

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:

- (i) 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;
- (ii) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (iii) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (iv) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (v) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (vi) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

## **20 COMMUNICATIONS**

RRS 41 applies. When racing, no voice or data transmissions shall be made or received, except in an emergency.

Competitors are reminded that whilst racing, requesting information on the course or any aspect of the sailing instructions will be considered an infringement of RRS 41.

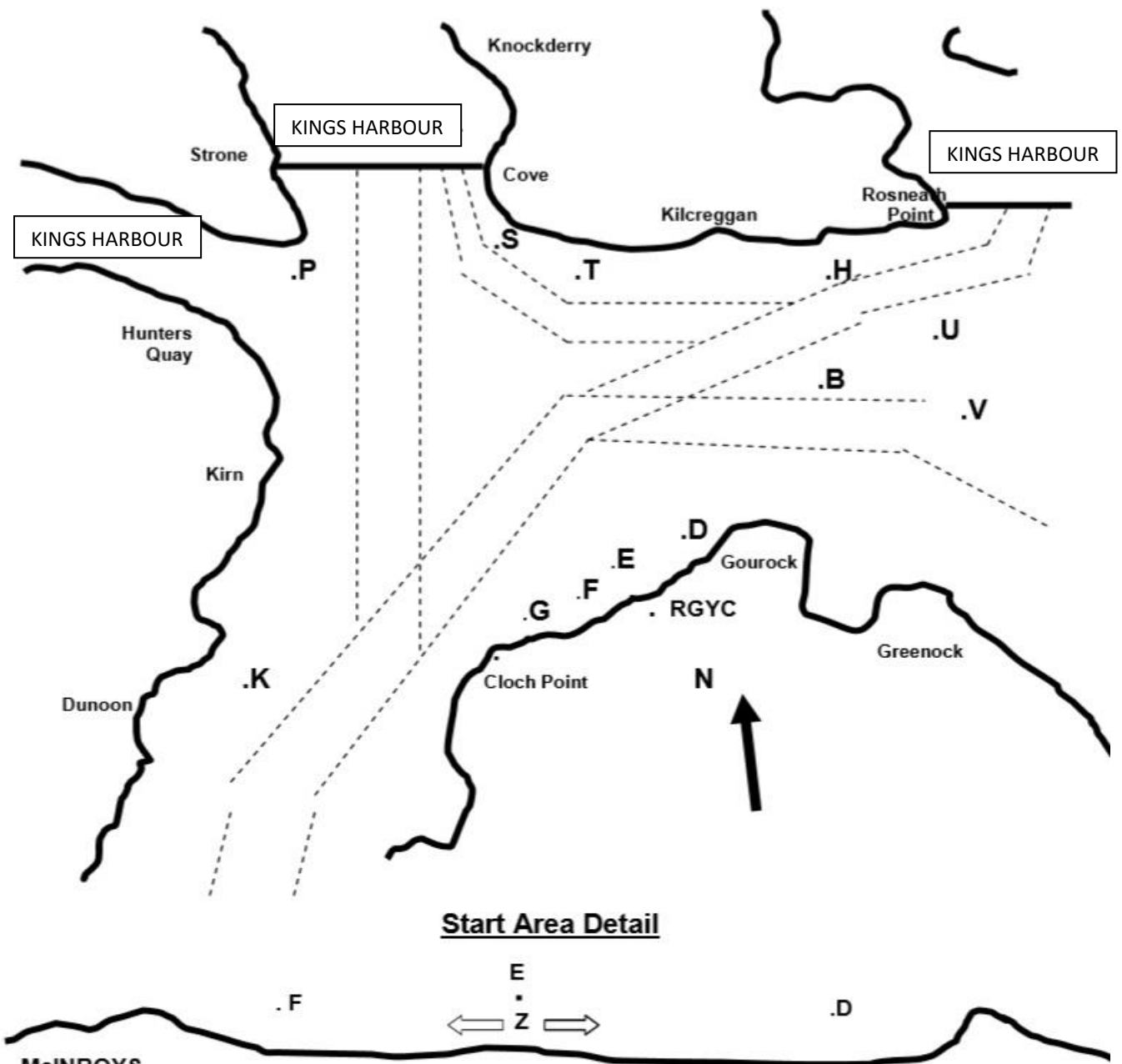
## **21 RETIRALS**

Helmsmen of yachts that retire are asked to inform the Race Officer by calling at the Clubhouse as soon as they get ashore or by telephoning the office Tel No: 01475 632983.

## **22 TROPHIES**

These shall be as shown in the Trophy List.

# COURSE CHART & KEY TO RACING MARKS



## Start Area Detail



<b>McINROYS POINT</b>	<b>RGYC</b>	<b>KEMPOCK PT</b>
B	IRONOTTER	COL YELLOW SPHERICAL, IRONOTTER OUTFALL
D	GOUROCK	RGYC RACING MARK, DAY-GLO ORANGE CAN
E	ASHTON	RGYC RACING MARK, DAY-GLO ORANGE CAN
F	MCINROY'S POINT	RGYC RACING MARK, DAY-GLO ORANGE CAN
G	LEVAN	RGYC RACING MARK, DAY-GLO ORANGE CAN
H	PORTKIL PT.	COL LIT CAN (RED) ARD NO. 4
K	DUNOON BANK	COL LIT PILLAR (BLACK/YELLOW/BLACK)
P	STRONE	COL LIT PILLAR (YELLOW/BLACK) NO. 30
S	BARONS POINT	COL LIT CONE (GREEN) KIL NO. 3
T	KILCREGGAN	COL LIT CAN (RED) KIL NO. 2
U	ROSNEATH PATCH N	COL LIT CONE (GREEN) ARD NO. 5
V	ROSNEATH PATCH S	COL LIT CAN (RED) NO. 27
X	TEMPORARY INFLATABLE	LAI IN VARIOUS POSITIONS, WIND DIRECTION DICTATING
Z	START MARK INFLATABLE	DESIGNATED ACCORDINGLY LAID AT 'E' OR EASTOR WEST OF 'E'

Not to scale

## ETCHELLS COURSE TABLE 2024

Course	Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
Letter	Round	Lt East or Variable	Lt West or Variable	South	South West	West S West	West S West	West	North West	North North West	North	North East	East and N East	South and SS East		
		X	1 2 3	zdge dge dfe	ZGDE GDE FDE	ZFtfe tfe tfe	ZFHIE FBE FDE	ZKDE GDE FDE	ZG TBE FBE FDE	ZXDE XDE FDE	ZPDE PDE	ZGpfe pe	ZFtfe tfe tfe	zhfe bfe dfe	zbfe bfe dfe	ZFSDE TDE TDE
		Y	1 2 3	zdge dfe dfe	ZGDE FDE FDE	ZFtfe tfe xfe	ZFBIE FBE FDE	ZKDE FDE FDE	ZF TBE FBE FDE	ZXDE XDE FDE	ZPDE FDE FDE	ZGpfe dfe dfe	ZFtfe tfe tfe	zhfe bfe dfe	zbfe dfe dfe	ZFSDE TDE FDE
Z	1 2 3	zdfe dfe dfe	ZFDE FDE FDE	ZFtfe tfe xfe	ZFBIE FDE FDE	ZGDE GDE FDE	ZFBIE FDE FDE	ZXDE FDE FDE	ZXDE XDE XDE	Zxfe xfe xe	ZFtfe tfe	zbfe bfe dfe	zxfe xfe xfe	ZFTDE TDE FDE		

### CAPITAL LETTERS - MARKS TO STARBOARD

lower case letters - marks to port

All Starts are Z or z (if mark Z or z is not laid then mark E and e, substitutes for Z and z respectively)

All rounds end on E or e

**ROUNDS USING TEMPORARY MARKS**

## PIPER OD and HANDICAP CLASS COURSE TABLE 2024

Course	Number	Direction												
		1 Lt East or Variable	2 Lt West or Variable	3 South	4 South West	5 West S West	6 West S West	7 West	8 North West	9 North North West	10 North	11 North East	12 East and N East	13 South and SS East
X	1	zdge	ZGDE	ZFtfe	ZFBE	ZKDE	ZFTBE	ZXDE	ZPDE	ZGpfe	ZFtfe	zhfe	zbfe	ZFSDE
	2	dfe	FDE	tfe	FBE	FDE	FBE	XDE	FDE	dfe	tfe	bfe	dfe	TDE
	3	dfe	FDE	tfe	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	dfe	tfe	dfe	dfe	FDE
Y	1	zdfe	ZFDE	ZFtfe	ZFBE	ZGDE	ZFBE	ZXDE	ZPDE	ZGpfe	ZFtfe	zbfe	zbfe	ZFTDE
	2	dfe	FDE	tfe	FDE	GDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	dfe	tfe	bfe	dfe	TDE
	3	dfe	FDE	tfe	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	dfe	tfe	dfe	dfe	FDE
Z	1	zdfe	ZFDE	ZFxfe	ZFDE	ZGDE	ZFDE	ZXDE	ZXDE	Zxfe	ZFtfe	zbfe	zxfe	ZFTDE
	2	dfe	FDE	xfe	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	XDE	xfe	dfe	dfe	xfe	FDE
	3	dfe	FDE	xfe	FDE	FDE	FDE	FDE	XDE	xfe	dfe	dfe	xfe	FDE

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  ROUNDS USING TEMPORARY MARKS



# TUESDAY EVENING POINTS SERIES

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## TIMES & SIGNALS

A Time Signal (Sound only) will be made at 18.50

RACE CLASS	START	SIGNAL
ETCHELLS	19.00	Flag E
PIPER OD	19.05	NN2
HANDICAP YACHTS	19.10	Pnt1

## COURSE

A course number (1 to 13) and Letter (X, Y or Z) will be displayed which will indicate which course to sail on the Etchells Course Table or the Piper OD and Handicap Class Course Table.

The Letter E will also be displayed if the Z or z mark is not laid.

## TIME LIMITS

The Fixed Time Limits will be: Primary Points 1 and 2	21:15 hrs
Holiday Points	21:30 hrs
Secondary Points	21:15 hrs

An Extension of 15 minutes will apply to Handicap Class Yachts (as per General Sailing Instruction 14)

## PROGRAMME

Primary Points 1	Primary Points 2	Holiday Points	Secondary Points
30 April	28 May	2 July	30 July
7 May	4 June	9 July	6 August
14 May	11 June	16 July	13 August
21 May	18 June	23 July	20 August
	25 June		27 August

## DISCARDS

### Races finished to Count:

Primary Points 1 : 3      Primary Points : 4      Holiday Points : 3      Secondary Points : 4

# WEDNESDAY EVENING POINTS SERIES

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## TIMES & SIGNALS

A Time Signal (Sound only) will be made at 18.50

RACE CLASS	START	SIGNAL
PIPER OD	19.00	NN2
HANDICAP YACHTS (Restricted Sail)	19.05	Pnt 1

## COURSE

A course number (1 to 13) and Letter (X, Y or Z) will be displayed which will indicate which course to sail on the Piper OD and Handicap Class Course Table.

The Letter E will also be displayed if the Z or z mark is not laid.

## TIME LIMITS

The Fixed Time Limits will be: Primary Points 1 and 2	21.15
Holiday Points	21.30
Secondary Points	21.15

An Extension of 15 minutes will apply to Handicap Class Yachts (as per General Sailing Instruction 14)

## PROGRAMME

Primary Points 1	Primary Points 2	Holiday Points	Secondary Points
1 May	29 May	3 July	31 July
8 May	5 June	10 July	7 August
15 May	12 June	17 July	14 August
22 May	19 June	24 July	21 August
	26 June		28 August

## DISCARDS

### Races finished to Count:

Primary Points 1 : 3      Primary Points : 4      Holiday Points : 3      Secondary Points : 4

# ASHTON REGATTA – 15 JUNE 2024

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## TIMES & SIGNALS

General Sailing Instructions for Racing at Gourrock apply, except as modified hereunder.

*A Time Signal will be made at 12.50*

RACE CLASS	START	SIGNAL	GROUP
1 ETCHELLS	13.00	Flag E	A
2 HANDICAP YACHTS CLASS	13.05	Pnt 1	B
3 HANDICP YACHTS RESTRICTED SAIL	13.10	Pnt 2	B
4 PIPER OD	13.20	NN2	B

## COURSE

Standard Course Chart will apply

Where the course number is displayed in conjunction with:

LETTER X All yachts will sail group A

LETTER Y All yachts will sail group B

## COURSE TABLE

GROUP	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>COURSE</b>	LT EAST OR VARIABLE	LT WEST OR VARIABLE	EAST WITH NORTH	EAST WITH SOUTH	NORTH OR SOUTH	SOUTH WEST	EAST OR WEST	NORTH WEST
<b>A</b>	zvge bge dge	ZGBE GBE FBE	zutge btge bfe	zdpDE FXDE XDE	ZGTfe tfe tfe	ZGTUE GBE FBE	zuge vge dge	Zpge xge xfe
<b>B</b>	zbfE bfE dfE	ZFBE FBE FBE	zbtfe btfe bfe	zdXDE FXDE XDE	ZFTfe tfe tfe	ZGTBE FBE FBE	zvfe bfE dfE	Zxge xfe xfe

All starts are Z or z, all rounds end on E or e

Marks printed A, B, C, etc., to Starboard

Marks printed a, b, c, etc., are to be left to port

## TIME LIMITS

The Fixed Time Limit is 16:30 with an Extension of 30 minutes for Races 2 and 3 (as per General Sailing Instruction 14)

# YORKSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY TROPHY RACE – 16 AUGUST 2024

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This race will be primarily for Discover Sailing (Adults and Cadets) to provide an introduction to club racing.

## TIMES & SIGNALS

*A time signal will be made at 18:50 hrs*

FIRST START	19:00 hrs	SIGNAL	Pnt 1
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## COURSES

1	z d f e	d f e	d f e	d f e
2	Z F D E	F D E	F D E	F D E
3	z d x f e	d x f e	d x f e	d x f e
4	Z F X D E	F X D E	F X D E	F X D E

This will be a pursuit race and yachts will have a start time based on their CYCA handicap. A list of start times will be posted on the notice board on Thursday 15th August 2024.

**N.B. Racing is continuous until advised otherwise by the Race Officer.**

The intended finishing time is 21:00 hrs

General Sailing Instruction 14 will not apply and all racing will cease at 21:30 hrs

It is the responsibility of each competitor to start at the appropriate posted time for their class/handicap as, for this race, no recall signals will be made in the event of a yacht being course side at her start time. A start signal will be made for the One Design Classes. Please note that competitors should pay close attention to the signal for the first start time, as this denotes the commencement of the posted sequence and in the event of any delay to the first start time, all subsequent start times will be delayed by the same number of minutes.

# KING GEORGE V CHALLENGE CUP RACE – 31 AUGUST 2024

General Sailing Instructions for Racing at Gourock apply, except as modified hereunder.

## 1 Race Entry Fee

Entry fee for non RGYC members: £20 payable to Royal Gourock Yacht Club before Thurs. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

## 2 TIMES & SIGNALS

*A Time Signal will be made at 10.40*

RACE	CLASS	SIGNAL	START
A	IRC Class	Pnt 2	10.50
B	KGV Race	Pnt 1	11.00

## 3 COURSES

All Yachts will sail Course 1 of the King George V Challenge Cup Race Course Table unless the Course Letter is displayed in conjunction with the Letter 'X' in which case Course 2 will be used.

## 4 TIME LIMIT

The Fixed Time Limit is 15.00 with an extension of one hour (as per General Sailing Instruction 14).

## 5 COURSE TABLE

GROUP	R	S	T	U	V	W	Y	Z
COURSE	LT EAST OR VARIABLE	LT WEST OR VARIABLE	EAST WITH NORTH	EAST WITH SOUTH	NORTH OR SOUTH	SOUTH WEST	WEST	NORTH WEST
1	zvxge vxge vxge	ZGBE FBE FBE	zutge uge bfe	zvpDE FXDE XDE	ZGPfe xge xe	ZGtge tge xfe	zvge bge dfe	ZPTDE XDE XDE
2	zvxge vxfe vxfe	ZFBE FBE FBE	zuge bfe bE	zvtDE FTDE XDE	ZFXfe xfe xe	ZFTUE FBE FDE	zbfe dfe dfe	ZXDE XDE XDE

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## 6 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY FOR THE KING GEORGE V CHALLENGE CUP RACE

- 1) Every competing yacht shall be wholly decked (open cockpits permitted) and be the bona fide property of, and steered by, a Member of a Club affiliated to the Clyde Yacht Clubs' Association.
- 2) In order to qualify for entry into the Cup Race to win the KGV trophy, each yacht must have entered for, competed in and finished at least three races of Royal Gourock Yacht Club during 2021. Qualifying Races are races sailed in May, June, July and August. **This condition is waived for yachts owned and steered by a Member of RGYC**

The Fantasy Salver will be awarded to the best placed Loch Long OD.

The Green Hackle Trophy will be awarded to the best placed Piper OD.

A trophy will be presented to the best placed Club Piper OD.

The Avon Trophy will be awarded to the best placed Etchells OD.

The Iris Cup will be awarded to the best placed restricted sail handicap boat.

A trophy will be presented to the best placed CYCA handicap boat not eligible to win the KGV Challenge Cup.

The Glen Coats Trophy will be presented to the best placed IRC handicap boat in Race A

# HUGH LINDSAY TROPHY ROUND CUMBRAE RACE

21 SEPTEMBER 2024

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## 1 TIMES & SIGNALS

General Sailing Instructions for Racing at Gourock apply, except as modified hereunder.

*A time signal will be made at 09.50*

RACE	CLASS	SIGNAL	START
A	CYCA Handicap	Pnt 1	10.00

## 2 START LINE

The Starting Line will be between the Orange Pole at the east side of the Clubhouse and an inflatable outer Mark 'Z' (or z) as indicated in the Standard Course Table. The moveable start mark Z will be laid in position 10 minutes before the first start. If the inflatable start mark Z has not been laid, then mark E (or e) will be deemed to be mark Z (or z) at the start. In addition, the **letter E** will be displayed on the platform to draw attention to the change of start mark.

## 3 COURSE

Start line. Round Great Cumbrae leaving to either side. The Tan mark to the South West corner of Great Cumbrae to be passed on the correct side. Finish Line.

## 4 TIME LIMIT

The Fixed Time Limit is 18:00 hrs with an extension of one hour (as per General Sailing Instruction 14).

## 5 RETIRAL

Any boat retiring must inform the Race Officer by mobile phone or by phoning the club office on 01475 632983

# GUIDANCE NOTES FOR RACE OFFICERS

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## 1 PRELIMINARY

- a) Read carefully and understand fully the Sailing Instructions and Course Charts. The Race Office Management Notice Board should also be checked for any additional instructions/amendments
- b) Arrive in ample time (suggest 18.15) to make all necessary preparations before the first signal.
- c) **Please check for shipping movements with both the Kings Harbour Master's office on 01436 674321 ext 3555 and Peelports (ClydePort) Authority on 01475 726221 to establish if there are any movements that may affect course selection.** If you are hosting a race that is not published in these Sailing Instructions then you must contact them to advise them of the Event, the Course and Number of competitors to ensure there is no conflict with Shipping Traffic.
- d) Ensure that the duty party is organised, reports in good time, and that each knows their function.
- e) If you think that you may need any temporary marks, please advise the Boatman as soon as possible (Mob. 07710 434 318).

## 2 BEFORE THE FIRST SIGNAL

- a) Check that all equipment is arranged and works (NB. there are many signal/course boards so try to find those required early).
  - 1 The Club Burgee should be hoisted on the Orange Flagpole.
  - 2 The Klaxon is working, and the horn board placed outside.
  - 3 Flags bent on to the gantry in the correct order for hoisting. *In the interest of uniformity Flag P should be hoisted next to the orange pole with the Class Signals running in order from left to right on the gantry*
- b) **At least 10 minutes before the first start the Boatman will endeavour to lay the sponsored inflatable Start Mark creating a start line at 90 degrees to the wind. Should this not be possible then the letter E must be displayed on the railings at least 10 minutes before the first start to indicate that Race Mark E will be used for the outer end of the start line. If this does not happen within the specified time you must go to a postponement and rectify the problem to conform to the sailing instructions.**
- c) Select the course (after taking into account: the wind direction; the weather and forecast; the tide; and, in August and September, the earlier sunset and time limit). Make use of the flexibility allowed with start mark Z to lay a fair start line to match the conditions. Considerable care should be taken in the selection of a suitable course. The two and three lap courses have been planned for two reasons: firstly, to provide maximum interest for the participants; and secondly to allow you to select a longer course with the option to shorten if the wind falls. To allow the launch to be available for passengers, the temporary Mark X may be laid during the late afternoon. Please move or ignore these if conditions have changed. If you select a course using a temporary mark, please check with the boatman that it can be laid or moved in sufficient time.
- d) Display the Course Number **and** X, Y or Z from the hooks on the railing in front of the gantry. This must be done before the Warning Signal of Race 1 but should if possible be displayed earlier. *(NB If the course has been displayed and it is necessary to change it before the start, due to error or weather change, then use a brief Postponement to draw attention to the course change.*
- e) Ensure that the Timekeeper has the correct instructions, that they understands them and adheres strictly to them.
- f) List the starters in each class, checking them immediately before and after each start.
- g) Ensure you have required boards ready for single (X) or general recalls.(First Substitute)

## 3 AT THE STARTS

- a) Recall early starters (see RRS29).
- b) Note any late starters and how late.
- c) Apply RRS45 with discretion; e.g. where an advantage is both sought and gained (but not against crews 'running late').

## 4 AFTER THE LAST START

- a) Instruct signallers as to correction of times.
- b) Look out for and note any retirements.
- c) Look out for any incidents occurring.
- d) Determine scale of finishing sound signals for each class and ensure that the Timekeeper is aware.
- e) Continually review need to shorten course during Rounds 1 & 2. If you wish to shorten, display Flag "S" for all classes, or Flag "S" plus the appropriate Class Flag for individual classes. Call

attention to the Flag "S" with two sound signals. *(NB when a decision has been made, it is normally appropriate to hoist flag "S" shortly after the first yacht commences the leg to the finish)*

## **5 AT THE FINISHES**






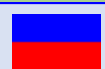















- a) Call off yachts to the Timekeeper as each crosses the Finishing Line using sail numbers only and try to give advance warning.
- b) Look out for protest flags.
- c) Make sure that the number of finishers plus retirals equals the number of starters so that all starters are accounted for.
- d) Recover temporary Mark X (if laid) as soon as possible (i.e. please advise the Boatman after the last yacht has rounded).

## **6 AFTER THE LAST FINISH**
















- a) Examine the corrected time sheets/results for any errors and post a copy of the results on the Notice Board (ensuring a copy is left in the results book).
- b) Ensure that:
  - 1) All equipment is replaced
  - 2) All flags are lowered
  - 3) The Klaxon is switched off
  - 4) Platform door is locked
  - 5) All temporary marks have been lifted*(NB the clock should not be switched off)*
- c) In the event of a protest organise a hearing and, if possible, reach a decision (See RRS Part 5). A supply of protest forms is kept under the Timekeepers desk.



## Tuesday Evenings 2024

TIME	FLAGS				SOUND	SIGNAL	NOTES
18:50					 (3 secs)	Time Signal	Start line laid, temp X mark laid (if required)
18:55					 (3 secs)	Etchells warning signal	<b>Hoist E flag.</b>
18:56					 (3 secs)	Etchells preparatory signal	<b>Hoist P flag.</b>
18:59					 (3 secs)	Etchells one minute signal	<b>Lower P flag.</b>
19:00					 (3 secs)	Etchells start, Piper warning signal.	<b>Lower E flag &amp; hoist NN2.</b>  Watch for Etchells recall.
19:01					 (3 secs)	Piper preparatory signal	<b>Hoist P flag.</b>
19:04					 (3 secs)	Piper one minute signal	<b>Lower P flag.</b>
19:05					 (3 secs)	Piper start, Handicap Class warning signal	<b>Lower NN2 &amp; hoist pennent 1 flag.</b>  Watch for Piper recall.
19:06					 (3 secs)	Handicap Class preparatory signal	<b>Hoist P flag.</b>
19:09					 (3 secs)	Handicap Class one minute signal	<b>Lower P flag.</b>
19:10					 (3 secs)	Handicap class start	<b>Lower pennent 1 flag.</b>  Watch for Handicap Class recall.

## Wednesday Evenings 2024

TIME	FLAGS				SOUND	SIGNAL	NOTES
18:50					 (3 secs)	Time Signal	Start line laid, temporary X mark laid. (if required)
18:55					 (3 secs)	Piper warning signal	<b>Hoist NN2</b>
18:56					 (3 secs)	Piper preparatory signal	<b>Hoist P flag</b>
18:59					 (3 secs)	Piper one minute signal	<b>Lower P flag</b>
19:00					 (3 secs)	Piper start, Handicap Class warning signal	<b>Lower NN2 &amp; hoist pennent 1 flag</b>  Watch for Piper recall.
19:01					 (3 secs)	Handicap Class preparatory signal	<b>Hoist P flag</b>
19:04					 (3 secs)	Handicap Class one minute signal	<b>Lower P flag</b>
19:05					 (3 secs)	Handicap Class start	<b>Lower pennent 1 flag</b>  Watch for Handicap Class recall.

# TIMEKEEPER'S INSTRUCTIONS

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## 1 GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to calling the start and finishing times, the Timekeeper's responsibilities include the following:

- a) Monitor the activities of the Race Officer. Ensure all actions/decisions occur at an appropriate time. Be familiar with the Race Officer's Instructions and prompt the Race Officer when any omissions are observed.
- b) Identify and record all starters and retirements.
- c) Perform all calculations and recordings.
- d) The signallers should assist as far as possible in the above, under the supervision of the Timekeeper.

## 2 DUTIES

- a) Arrive in ample time (suggest 18:15 hrs) to make all necessary preparations before the first signal.
- b) Confirm digital clock is set at the correct time. IF NOT, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ADJUST, but contact the Watersports Secretary: Colin MacDonald [RGYCWatersports@gmail.com](mailto:RGYCWatersports@gmail.com) after racing.
- c) Check presence of required documents:
  - Time, Flag and Sound Signal sheet
  - Starter and time recording form
  - Handicap calculation forms
  - Seconds decimal table

## 3 STARTING PROCEDURE SIGNAL

- a) Rule 26 will apply at all starts. Timekeepers should read and understand the procedure.
- b) Call out clearly - '**one minute to sound signal and state flags to be hoisted and lowered**'
- c) Call out clearly - '**30seconds, 20seconds, 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1-Sound Signal**'

## 4 POSTPONEMENTS AND GENERAL RECALLS

Postponements shall be called by hoisting 'AP' with two sound signals. Following a postponement agree new start times with the Race Officer. Prepare a new time sequence. The 'AP' is lowered one minute before the next Warning Signal with one sound signal.

### GENERAL RECALLS

General Recalls shall be called by hoisting '1st Substitute' with three sound signals. Following a General Recall agree new start times with the Race Officer. Prepare a new time sequence.

The '1st Substitute' is lowered one minute before the next Warning Signal with one sound signal.

## 5 AFTER EACH START

Count the starters to confirm all yachts accounted for. Note premature starters who do not return as 'OCS'.

## 6 TIME LIMITS

Check the applicable time limit for the race.

## 7 END OF ROUNDS

Record all end of round times in the order they occur. Rearrange into classes only when posting to the Results Book. ***It is essential that this procedure is adhered to as most errors and omissions occur as a result of adopting some other system.***

## **8 SCALE OF SOUND SIGNALS**

Advise Race Officer of scale of finishing sound signals for each race:

2 Starters	-	1 sound signal
4 Starters	-	2 sound signals
6 Starters	-	3 sound signals
10 Starters	-	4 sound signals
15 Starters	-	5 sound signals

Inform Timekeeper which boats require sound signals.

## **9 RECORD BOOK**

During the race prepare the handicap calculation forms and the Results Book. Independently checked. Enter places in the Book and circle as per the scale of sound signals.

## **10 RECORDS**

Retain all notes, times, etc., taken. They may be required to confirm the placing of any yacht or as evidence in any Protest or Request for Redress.