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The Royal Temple Yacht Club

The Goodwins Race Sunday 11th AUGUST 2024

Ramsgate Week Regatta 2024

Sunday 11th – Friday 16th August

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Version 1.3



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Times & heights of high and low water			
ENGLAND - RAMSGATE			
August 2024			
		TIME ZONE UT(GMT)	UNITS METRES
1	0319	1.2	
TH	0912	4.3	
	1557	1.2	
	2139	4.4	
2	0436	1.1	
F	1011	4.5	
	1706	0.9	
	2238	4.6	
3	0535	1.0	
SA	1059	4.7	
	1759	0.7	
	2325	4.7	
4	0622	1.0	
SU	1139	4.8	
	1843	0.6	
5	0003	4.7	
M	0700	0.9	
	1213	4.9	
	1919	0.5	
6	0036	4.8	
TU	0730	0.9	
	1246	5.0	
	1948	0.5	
7	0108	4.8	
W	0756	0.8	
	1317	5.0	
	2016	0.5	
8	0139	4.8	
TH	0822	0.8	
	1348	5.0	
	2043	0.5	
9	0211	4.7	
F	0850	0.8	
	1419	4.9	
	2112	0.6	
10	0242	4.6	
SA	0919	1.0	
	1448	4.8	
	2143	0.7	
11	0314	4.5	
SU	0951	1.2	
	1520	4.6	
	2217	0.9	
12	0350	4.3	
M	1029	1.4	
	1558	4.4	
	2258	1.2	
13	0437	4.0	
TU	1117	1.6	
	1653	4.1	
	2350	1.4	
14	0545	3.9	
W	1220	1.8	
	1815	3.9	
15	0056	1.6	
TH	0713	3.9	
	1340	1.7	
	1950	4.0	
16	0218	1.6	
F	0832	4.1	
	1508	1.5	
	2105	4.3	
17	0342	1.4	
SA	0931	4.4	
	1621	1.1	
	2202	4.6	
18	0449	1.1	
SU	1019	4.7	
	1721	0.7	
	2249	4.9	
19	0546	0.8	
M	1102	5.0	
	1813	0.4	
	2331	5.1	
20	0637	0.6	
TU	1142	5.2	
	1902	0.2	
21	0011	5.2	
W	0724	0.4	
	1221	5.3	
	1947	0.0	
22	0051	5.3	
TH	0806	0.3	
	1301	5.4	
	2028	-0.0	
23	0132	5.3	
F	0844	0.3	
	1343	5.4	
	2107	0.0	
24	0215	5.2	
SA	0921	0.4	
	1428	5.4	
	2146	0.2	
25	0302	5.0	
SU	0958	0.6	
	1516	5.2	
	2226	0.4	
26	0354	4.7	
M	1041	0.8	
	1613	4.9	
	2313	0.8	
27	0455	4.4	
TU	1133	1.1	
	1722	4.5	
28	0011	1.2	
W	0614	4.1	
	1242	1.4	
	1852	4.2	
29	0134	1.5	
TH	0745	4.0	
	1423	1.5	
	2028	4.2	
30	0321	1.6	
F	0903	4.2	
	1556	1.2	
	2140	4.3	
31	0433	1.3	
SA	0959	4.5	
	1657	0.9	
	2230	4.5	
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1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the Port of Ramsgate By-laws

1.2 SHIPPING AND PORT REGULATIONS

1.2.1 Any boat infringing the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea or by-laws in respect of commercial shipping may be protested by the Race Committee for infringement of this requirement

1.2.2 An engine shall be used when appropriate to avoid risk of collision with another vessel racing or in grave emergency. The facts shall be reported to the RC at the finish, with written details to the race office before the protest time limit

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the ground floor of the Royal Temple Yacht Club's clubhouse. All notices will also be communicated via the competitors 'WhatsApp' group. Notices relating to the re-scheduling of races will also be posted on the Official Notice board located at the Royal Temple. The results office is located at Royal Temple Yacht Club's clubhouse

2.2 Results will be available via
<https://www.halsail.com/Result/Club/1994>
and when possible displayed on the bar screens

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect

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3.2 Verbal amendments to the Sailing Instructions may be advised by the Race Committee on VHF Channel 77 for RTYC Fixed Line Start or VHF Channel 72 for the Committee Boat

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Other than “P”, “Z”, “Black” & “Y” all signals will be made via VHF Channel 72 for RTYC Fixed Line Start or VHF Channel 77 for the Committee Boat, and the class competitors ‘WhatsApp’ group

4.2 When flag Y is displayed ashore Rule 40 always applies and PFDs for all crew members must be worn while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble

4.3 Before the starting signal, the race committee may for any reason postpone (display flag AP, AP over H or AP over A)

5. BRIEFING AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 There will be a briefing by appropriate VHF Radio before the first race each day. This briefing will be broadcast approximately 30 minutes before the first warning signal is displayed. It is important that all competitors listen to information provided. Failure to receive this broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

5.2 The race schedule can be seen at Appendix 2

5.3 It is intended to allocate classes as per Appendix 2, although the Race Committee may, at its discretion, alter these according to the number of entries

There will be Two IRC classes and the “Rating Bands” will be as follows:

Class 1 TCC 1.001 and above

Class 2 TCC 1.000 and below




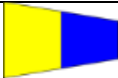


Two Handed IRC Class will race as scheduled for Round the Goodwins within the appropriate IRC Class and have their results extracted

5.4 Boats are required to display their Class Flag clearly

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5.5 The race committee may amalgamate classes or vary the order of starting for subsequent races depending on when classes complete their previous race. Full details of any changes will be provided on VHF Channel 72 for RTYC Fixed Line Start or VHF Channel 77 for the Committee Boat

5.6 When more than one race will be held on the same day the warning signal for the first class to start the succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable

<u>Class</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
1	IRC 1	
2	IRC 2	
4	Cruiser Class with Asymmetric & Code 0	
5	Fast Unrestricted cruisers with spinnakers	
6	Slow Unrestricted cruisers with spinnakers	
7	Cruisers without spinnakers	

5.7 Boats shall identify themselves to the race committee either by VHF or visually to the Committee Boat & receive an acknowledgment

6. RACING AREAS

6.1 The racing areas will be between East Margate and South Foreland

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7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The course configuration and identifying of marks will be broadcast on the appropriate VHF Channel approximately 10 minutes before the first warning signal is displayed

The rhumb line between marks may not be navigable

The provisional courses may be broadcasted on 'WhatsApp'

At Registration Competitors must check Sail and 'WhatsApp' numbers are correct

- 7.2 The provisional course for The Goodwins race on Sunday 6th August will be as follows:

Start from Committee Boat listen on VHF 77 for approximate position

Goodwin Knoll (22) S

E Goodwin Buoy (17) S

E Goodwin Light Vessel (18) S

S Goodwin Buoy (38) S

SW Goodwin Buoy (43) S

S Brake Buoy (37) P

Finish at Stonar Buoy (47) S leaving the finishing boat to Port

Course will be confirmed on the day via VHF Channel 77 before the Start

8. MARKS

- 8.1 Marks are buoys in the Ramsgate Week list of marks the number and approximate position are available at ramsgateweek.com/documentation/Waypoints
- 8.2 Additional marks may be laid and designated 'X', 'Y' or 'Z'. These will be inflatable pillar marks and approximate position may be broadcast on the

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appropriate VHF Channel or the range & bearing
from the Committee Boat

8.3 Boats fouling a mark anchor line will not have grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a)

9. THE COMMITTEE BOAT START and FINISH

Before Starting, all boats must announce on VHF 77 Boat Name their intention to race and POB each day

VHF Channel 77

9.10 The starting line will be between the mast on the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag and an outer distance mark which will be an orange inflatable buoy or a course mark. The committee boat may be positioned at the Starboard or Port end of the line. An IDM may also be laid

9.11 A boat starting later than 9 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "DNS". This changes Rule A4 and A5

9.12 Sail numbers of boats OCS or infringing other starting rules may be given on VHF Channel 77

9.13 Classes whose warning signal has not been displayed must keep clear of the starting area and all boats whose warning signal has been made. Boats infringing this instruction may be protested by the race committee and the penalty may be DSQ

9.14 A boat may use her engine or be towed to get to the starting area, after her preparatory signal provided that, before she starts, she stops using her engine for propulsion, or drops her tow, and then takes a one turn penalty including one tack and one gybe after the start

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 A change of course after the start will be broadcast on the appropriate VHF Channel ,VHF Channel 72 or

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77 before the leading boat has begun the first leg affected. The new course to be sailed will be broadcast on the appropriate VHF Channel and yachts shall acknowledge this broadcast

This changes Rule 33.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between the mast on the Committee Boat displaying a blue flag and the designated mark of the course

12.0 THE RTYC FIXED LINE START (See Diagram 1 Below Line A)

VHF Channel 72

12.1 Before Starting, all boats must announce on VHF 72 Boat Name their intention to race each day with POB.

Races will be started according to rule 26, with RTYC light system below:

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Flag and Sound</u>	<u>Minutes before starting signal</u>
Warning	1 light on	5
Preparatory	2 lights on	4
One-minute	Announced on VHF 72 1 light on	1
Start	light extinguished	0

12.2 In order to assist competitors, the Race Officer may count down the start sequence on VHF Channel 72

12.3 **Individual recalls** may be announced on VHF 72 and display the X Flag. This changes rule 29.1

General recalls will be indicated by 2 lights being switched on. Competitors may also be advised by radio on VHF Channel 72. This changes rules 29.2

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- 12.4 The start line is an extension to seaward of the forward mast of the RTYC Race Hut, on the Eastern Pierhead next to port control, marked by an orange triangle, and the red port entry mark at the end of the southern breakwater, bounded by the outer distance mark which will be an inflatable mark and an inflatable IDM mark which may not be positioned on the start line. In the event of the ODM being missing, a transit between the North Quern and the West Quern buoy
- 12.5 Sail numbers of boats OCS or infringing other starting rules may be given on VHF Channel 72
- 12.6 Classes whose warning signal has not been announced must keep clear of the starting area and all boats whose warning signal has been made Boats infringing this instruction may be protested by the race committee and the penalty may be DSQ
- 12.7 A boat may use her engine or be towed to get to the starting area after her preparatory signal provided that, before she starts, she stops using her engine or drops her tow, and then takes a penalty by promptly making one turn including one tack and one gybe after starting.

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13.0 THE RTYC FIXED LINE FINISHES, (See Diagram 1 Below)

13.1 There will be 3 different RTYC Club Finish lines available for 2024. The line to be used will be broadcast on VHF Channel 72 with course as designated in SI 7.1 at least 10 minutes before the warning signal is displayed

FINISH LINE A is an extension to seaward of the forward mast of the RTYC Squarehead, marked by an orange triangle, and the red port entry mark at the end of the southern breakwater, bounded by the ODM or in the event of the ODM missing a transit between the North Quern and the West Quern buoy. The IDM will be the red port entry mark at the end of the southern breakwater

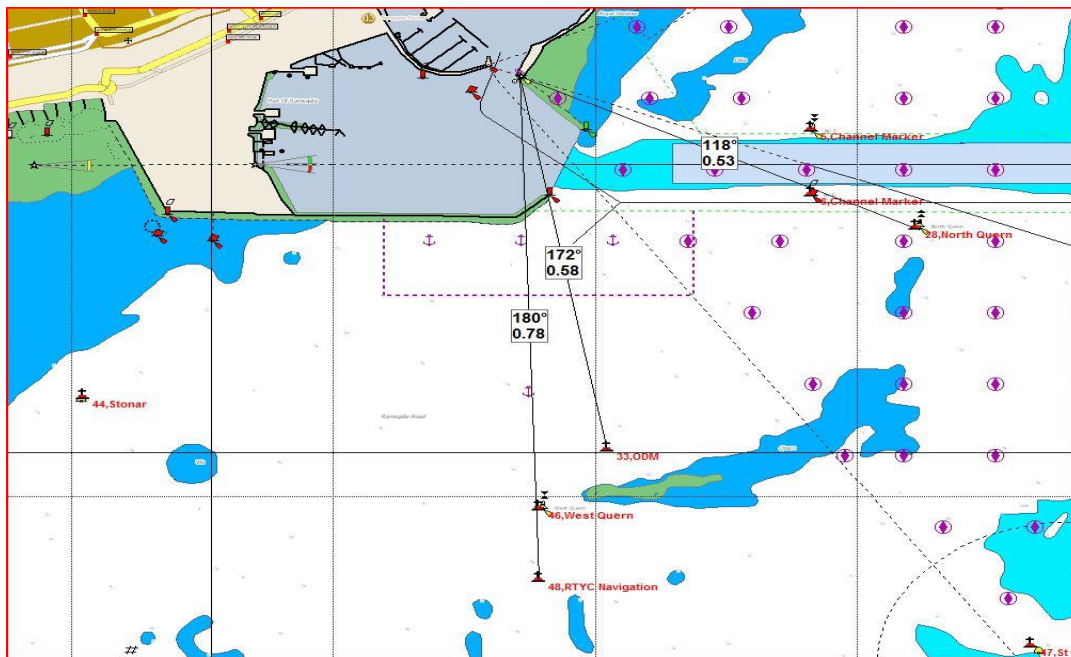
FINISH LINE B is an extension to seaward of the forward mast of the RTYC Squarehead, marked by an orange triangle, and the West Quern Buoy bounded by the Race Mark number 48, RTYC Navigation Buoy as ODM which is approx. 100 metres South of the West Quern Buoy. The West Quern Buoy acts as the IDM

FINISH LINE C is an extension to seaward of the forward mast of the RTYC Squarehead, marked by an orange triangle, and the North Quern Buoy with the Number 6 Channel Marker acting as the IDM

13.2 Boats are advised to identify themselves when approaching the finish on VHF 72 and if possible, boat in front and behind

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Diagram 1



14. TIME LIMITS

14.1 There are no time limits, and the Race Committee may shorten the course at any time and for any reason. This changes Rule 32

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office

Protests and requests for redress or re-opening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit

15.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day

15.3 An Arbitration system is available for protests of rules in RRS Part 2 Appendix T. Provided all parties to the protest agree to Arbitration, the procedure to be adopted is to be found in Appendix T

15.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room at Royal Temple Yacht Club's clubhouse

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- 15.5 Rule 61.1(b) is amended so that the listing of a boat on the Protest Schedule shall constitute informing the boat and the time limit is altered accordingly. It shall be the sole responsibility of the competitors to check the official notice board and to attend any protest hearing together with witnesses
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for re-opening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day
- This changes Rule 66
- 15.7 Breaches of instructions 5.4 and 15 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI
- 15.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The regatta will be scored using the Low Points system of RRS Appendix A
- 16.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series
- 16.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
- 16.4 When four races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded

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- 16.5 All times will be corrected to the nearest second to determine finishing place
- 16.6 The Cruiser Gold Cup for Classes 4,5&6 on Friday 16TH August will be awarded to the boat with the lowest corrected time by application of the RTYC handicap system. Info, IRC Classes and Cruiser Classes 4,5&6 will possibly sail the same course for this race. Series scores will be unaffected by the award of this trophy. Cruisers with current 2024 IRC Cert may dual score and qualify in the Gold Cup results

17. SAFETY

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee on the appropriate VHF Channel or by telephone or SMS 07852 319388 as soon as possible after retirement. Boats that fail to notify a retirement may be penalised by the Race committee

18. MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules, if appropriate, sailing instructions and minimum Safety Equipment Rules (see Appendix 1)

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other digital communication devices
- 19.2 The race committee will use the appropriate VHF Channel to communicate with competitors. Such communications may include sail numbers of boats recalled OCS, course changes and safety matters.

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Boats called by the race committee by name or sail number may respond and under such circumstances will not be in breach of SI 17.1 Failure to broadcast by the race committee or to time it accurately or failure to receive a broadcast by the race committee will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a)

- 19.3 VHF Channel 77 – Committee Boat
VHF Channel 72 – RTYC Fixed line

20. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as listed in the Notice of Race

21. RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

- 21.1 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”
- 21.2 Royal Temple Yacht Club accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to skipper or crew or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property
- 21.3 The skipper and crew shall be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the boat’s crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both the person in charge and crew being excluded from future races and renders a boat liable to disqualification
- 21.4 The race committee shall make starting signals unless in their opinion it is manifestly unsafe for any of the boats entered to remain in the vicinity of the starting line. Each boat shall exercise her responsibility under Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race and decide whether to start or to continue to race
- 21.5 No boat shall be accepted as an entry unless the skipper of the boat has, before the start of the race,

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signed a declaration in the terms set out in the entry form

21.6 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:

21.6.1 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

21.6.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore

21.6.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions

21.6.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate

21.6.5 The 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

21.6.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather, as can be practically provided in the circumstances

21.6.7 Vessels setting to sea for offshore and coastal races 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 safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew

21.7 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race

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22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with insurance sufficient to meet all claims, and with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (GBP) in respect of third-party claims

APPENDIX 1

ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB

Minimum Safety Equipment Rules for all Classes

1. Buoyancy

Boats shall either be self-righting from 120 degrees or have enough reserve buoyancy to support the boat and crew for at least 30 minutes following a capsize. Boats shall be equipped with suitable means for bailing or pumping

2. Flares

Boats shall carry, in a waterproof pack, at least two red hand flares and two orange smoke flares. Electronic flares are acceptable

3. Fire Extinguisher

Boats carrying engine or cooking fuel shall carry a fire extinguisher and a stout bucket of 9 litres minimum capacity attached to a lanyard

4. Personal Buoyancy and Man Overboard

4.1 Boats **without** lifelines or with lifelines which do not meet current World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (Section3), shall have personal buoyancy for each crew member at least sufficient to comply with RRS 40. Personal buoyancy shall be always worn by all crew members whilst racing

4.2 Boats **with** lifelines will comply with the current World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (Section3), shall carry personal buoyancy or lifejackets for each crew member. Boats shall also

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carry a rescue quoit or throw bag with at least 15m of floating line and at least one lifebuoy or life sling

5. First Aid

Boats shall carry a waterproof first aid pack with instructions

6. Anchor

Boats shall carry a suitable anchor and sufficient warp to hold the boat in 15m depth of water in the expected racing conditions

7. Compass

Boats shall carry a suitable compass – handheld is acceptable

8. Equipment

All equipment, fittings and engines shall be securely fastened

9. Propulsion







A means of propulsion, other than the boat's sails, is to be provided

10. Communication

Fixed or handheld VHF must be always carried capable of transmitting and receiving Channels 16, 14, 72, 77

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APPENDIX 2

<u>Warning Times, Races & Start Line</u>						
Sunday 11.08 Round the Goodwins	N/A	CB 09.45	CB 09.45	CB 09.45	CB 09.55	CB 09.55
Monday 12.08 Regatta Series Race 1	RTYC 10.45	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 11.00	RTYC 11.05	RTYC 11.05
Tuesday 13.08 Regatta Series Race 2	RTYC 10.45	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 11.00	RTYC 11.05	RTYC 11.05
Wednesday 14.08 Regatta Series Race 3 IRC Championship Race 1	RTYC 10.45	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 11.00	RTYC 11.05	RTYC 11.05
Thursday 15.08 Regatta Series Race 4 QE2 Day IRC Championship Race 2&3	RTYC 10.45	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 10.55	RTYC 11.00	CB 10.45	CB 10.45
Friday 16.08 Regatta Series Race 5 Gold Cup Day IRC Championship Race 4	RTYC 10.45	CB 09.45	CB 09.45	CB 09.45	CB 09.55	CB 09.55

RTYC = Fixed line VHF Ch72

CB = Committee Boat VHF Ch77