

NOTICE OF RACE 2024 MYLOR YACHT CLUB CLUB RACING - 2024 SEASON

- 1. Mylor Yacht Club will be the Organising Authority for racing as set out below and in the Racing Programme published on the Club's website.
- 2. Rules All events are governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 and by Class Rules where applicable. ISAF Cat 5 Special Regulations for races within Carrick Roads and Cat 4 for racing outside Carrick Roads apply. Boats unable to comply with ISAF Cat 4 may be permitted to take part at the Race Officer's discretion. Sailing Instructions will be published on the Club's website not later than 7 days before each event. Competitors are also referred to the RYA Racing Charter and YTC handicapping system, details of which are published on the RYA website, and the MYC Race Management Policy available on the Club website which sets out a framework to enable racing to be operated safely.
- 3. **Race Programme** Racing will take place in Carrick Roads, Falmouth Bay and coastal areas between Fowey and The Lizard. Courses may be taken from the course card available on the Club's website or may be set at the Race Officer's discretion. Sailing Instructions for each Series or standalone races will be published on the MYC website that will identify start time(s) for each race.

Mylor Chandlery & Rigging Saturday series	April 20 & 27, May 4 (2 class races per day)	
BT Marine (Electronics) Friday evening series	May 10, 17, 24 & 31, June 7 & 21	
SKB Sails Sunday pursuit series	May 12, 19 & 26, June 2, 9 & 23	
Mylor Yacht Harbour Cups race	June 28	
Mylor Chandlery & Rigging Sunday series	July 7, 14 & 21 (2 class races per day)	
Castaways Friday evening series	July 12, 19 & 26, August 2, 9 & 23	
Helford race	July 20	
The Arfie Treneer race	July 20	
Mylor Yacht Harbour Sunday pursuit series	July 28, August 4, 18 & 25, September 8 & 15	
Pandora Cup for Falmouth Working Boats	August 26	
Shrimper Open Championship	August 30 & 31, September 1	
Mylor Yacht Club Regatta	September 14	
Fowey race	September 21	
Five Creeks Laying-up race	September 22	
COGS Laying-up race	September 28	
Silver Oyster race	November 5	

- 4. Eligibility, Entry and Fees Racing is open to all Club members free of charge and to non-members by payment of a fee of £50 to enable entry to any or all races in the programme below. A reduced fee may be available for entries later in the season. Entries will be accepted from Competitors on completion of a Race Entry Form and obtained a 2024 YTC handicap number. Competitors must enter online via the link on the Racing page of the Club's website at least 48 hours prior to their first race. The online entry form requires confirmation that entrants hold valid third party liability insurance with minimum cover of £3,000,000. It is the responsibility of the owner/skipper to ensure that all crew under 16 have permission of their parent or guardian.
- 5. **Scoring and prizes** will be set out in the Sailing Instructions for each event. For boats with both spinnaker and white sail YTC handicaps, skippers must declare prior to the start of an individual race or series whether or not they will be restricted to use upwind sails only so that the correct YTC handicap may be applied. Declarations may not be changed once a series has started. The low point scoring system will be used. Discards will be allowed as follows:

	Races sailed	Discards
Mylor Chandlery & Rigging Saturday series	6, 5, <5	2, 1, 0
All Friday evening & Sunday pursuit series	6, 5, <5	1, 1, 0

- 6. Series scoring will be as per RRS Appendix A except as amended below. Boat skippers (as identified on the entry form) undertaking a race management duty in a series race may claim average points for the race they are unable to participate in. Average points will be calculated at the end of the series on the basis of all races that the skipper sailed in, irrespective of whether or not these races are subsequently discarded. No skipper may claim average points more than once per series.
- 7. **Rule Changes** The following Rules of the RRS are changed:
 - a. Rule 26, to allow VHF broadcasts in place of flag signals for starting races, to use an alternative starting procedure when a number of classes are being started in sequence, to allow staggered starts for pursuit races and to allow self-timed races.
 - b. Rule 32, to allow VHF broadcasts in place of flag signals for shortening or abandoning races.
 - c. Rule 33, to allow VHF broadcasts in place of flag signals for changing courses.
 - d. Rule 37 does not apply.
 - e. Rule 44, to allow a one-turn penalty in place of a two-turn penalty.
 - f. Rule 62.1, so that failure to receive or hear a VHF broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.
 - g. Rule Appendix A5.3 shall apply to allow differential scoring for boats that did not start or did not finish a race.
 - h. For the purposes of the definition of "Start" and "Finish" and Rules 21.1, 29.1, 30 and 44.2 (but not any other Rules) the term "hull" includes a boat's bowsprit in it's normal position.
 - i. The Sailing Instructions may also change other Racing Rules.

8. Risk Statement 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 any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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.
- 9. Privacy Statement The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the events. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other Rules that govern the event (the Rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the Rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the Rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.