# **ARROW TROPHY REGATTA 2023**



# Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2023



#### NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is the Royal London Yacht Club (RLYC), Cowes in association with the Arrow Trophy Yacht Racing Association (ATYRA).

# 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by:
  - (i) the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS);
  - (ii) RYA Prescriptions;
  - (iii) the rules of the Sunsail F41 Class and any class rules relating to Fairview Sailing Oceanis 37s.

# 2. BOATS, DAMAGE AND ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Racing will be in two separate fleets; in Jeanneau Sun Odyssey F41s chartered from Sunsail Events (UK) (Sunsail Promethius) in Port Solent and Beneteau Oceanis 37s chartered from Fairview Sailing at Port Hamble Marina. Allocation of entrants to yacht classes will be made by the ATYRA Management Committee based on performance in the past four Arrow regattas, with one discard allowed. Within classes, boats will be allocated at random by each charter company. There shall be no request for redress relating to the allocation, changing RRS 62.1.
- 2.2 Each boat is subject to a damage excess of £4,500 (with a deposit of this amount payable by credit card on collection). In the event of damage occurring as a result of contact between boats, the skippers should try to agree an apportionment between them. If agreement cannot be reached, members of the Management Committee of the ATRYA as invited by the Chairman, and inviting others as experts, will call a hearing and having heard the parties, and taking into account any decision about the incident by the protest committee, shall decide on the fair apportionment of the cost. There shall be no appeal from the decision of the Management Committee.
- 2.3 The event is open to all members of ATYRA subject to the provisions of its constitution and to associate members if enough yachts are available for charter.
- 2.4 Sunsail F41s shall be crewed with not more than 10 people and no fewer than 8 including the helmsman. All members of the crew shall be **past pupils** of the school team they represent unless the race committee approves, at the race briefing, the inclusion of not more than 2 people who are not past pupils. People who are not past pupils shall not act as helmsman or tactician.
- 2.5 Fairview Sailing's Oceanis 37s shall be crewed with not more than 8 people and no fewer than 6 including the helmsman. All members of the crew shall be **past pupils** of the school team they represent unless the Race Committee approves, at the race briefing, the inclusion of not more than two individuals in a total crew of eight or one individual in a total crew of fewer than eight who are not past pupils. Exceptionally, with the agreement of all participating skippers on the day of the event, the race committee may approve additional crew members who are not past pupils. People who are not past pupils shall not act as helmsman or tactician and all competitors must be aged 18 or over.
- 2.6 All crew members including the helmsman shall be Group 1 competitors in accordance with the World Sailing regulations, that is to say they take part in racing only as a pastime. If a competitor is classed as a Group 3 competitor due to their work then this is to be declared at the race briefing and the fleet will need to agree that the competitor is not a professional yachtsman.

### 3. ENTRY

- 3.1 Entries must have been made using the form available on the ATYRA website (www.arrowtrophy.org) with a deadline of Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023. A deposit, as notified by the Management Committee, shall be paid by the same date. The Management Committee may accept late entries if it decides to do so in its absolute discretion and only if yachts are available.
- 3.2 An entry fee, which includes the charter fee payable to Sunsail Events (UK) and Fairview Sailing shall be paid as required by the Management Committee on entry.

### 4. EVENT FORMAT

- 4.1 The Regatta will consist of a Fleet Racing Stage, a Match Racing Stage and a Residual Stage.
- 4.2 The Fleet Racing Stage shall take place on the Saturday and shall consist of no more than five races. The leading four boats in the Sunsail F41 class shall qualify for the Match Racing Stage and all other boats shall qualify for the Residual Stage. If any one of the four qualifying boats decides not to take part in the Match Racing Stage, the fifth or subsequent boat shall take her place.
- 4.3 The Match Racing Stage shall take place on the Sunday and shall consist of a round robin for the four qualifying boats and such other stages as the organising authority shall decide.
- 4.4 The Residual Stage shall take place on the Sunday and shall consist of not more than two races, in separate F41 and Oceanis 37 fleets.
- 4.5 If for any reason no racing takes place on the Saturday, only the Fleet Racing Stage will take place on the Sunday.

# 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Boats will be available for collection at Port Solent (Sunsail F41s) and from Port Hamble (Fairview Oceanis 37s) from 1900 on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October unless earlier collection arrangements have been agreed with the charter companies.
- 5.2 A Skippers' briefing will be held at Sheppards Marina at 0800 on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October. If the Skipper cannot attend then a team member must attend instead. Any competitors declaring Group 3 status as per NoR 2.6 shall also attend.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000.

# 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be posted on the ATYRA and RLYC websites not less than seven days before the commencement of the regatta.
- 6.2 In the event of a conflict between this notice of race and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

# 7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be in the Central Solent. 2023 Solent Chartlets and mark lists may be found and downloaded from the Solent Cruising and Racing Association website <a href="here">here</a>.

# 8. THE COURSES

8.1 The courses for the fleet racing will either be a laid course using inflatable buoys or be around the fixed navigation and racing marks in the Solent or a combination thereof. The match racing course will be the standard World Sailing match racing course.

# 9. PENALTIES

9.1 RRS 44.1 is amended so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for infringements outside the Zone.

### 10. SCORING

- 10.1 On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October for the Fleet Racing Stage the Low Point System of the Addendum with no discard shall apply.
- 10.2 The four leading boats in the F41 fleet at the end of the Fleet Racing Stage on Saturday will sail in the Match Racing Stage on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October and that Stage will be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix C.
- 10.3 The remaining boats will proceed to the Residual Stage on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Their scores in the Fleet Racing Stage will be carried forward and aggregated with the results in the Residual Stage using the Low Point System of Appendix A with one discard if five or more races are sailed in the two aggregated stages.

# 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

11.1 A boat may, without infringing rule 41, request and receive repetition of information broadcast by the race committee or be told whether or not a broadcast has been made.

### 12. PRIZES

12.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

The Arrow Trophy Winner of the Match Racing competition
Sherborne Salver Runner-up in the Match Racing competition
Winchester Target Third in the Match Racing competition
Radley Shaker Fourth in the Match Racing competition

Charterhouse Bowl Overall Winner of the F41 Fleet Racing Stage and the Residual

Stage or Fifth in the F41 fleet if the Match Racing Stage does not

take place

Bobby Reynolds Tankard Winner of the Oceanis 37 Fleet Racing

# 13. RISK STATEMENT

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."

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:

- (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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities; and
- (f) 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.

# **END OF NOTICE OF RACE**

### **SOCIAL PROGRAMME**

All participants and their families are invited by the Flag Officers to be permitted temporary use of the Royal London Yacht Club, Cowes, for the duration of the Regatta.

Details of the Regatta Dinner will be advised nearer the event.

The dress code for the Regatta Dinner will be jacket and tie for all male crew members.

The trophies won in the 2022 Regatta will be presented at the dinner and current trophy holders are reminded to ensure they bring their trophies with them to Cowes.

The cost of the Regatta Dinner will be communicated separately to entrants and numbers must be confirmed and paid in advance to the Arrow Trophy Yacht Racing Association. Wine and other alcoholic beverages are additional to the cost of the dinner and shall be paid for separately in advance.

A "Dark & Stormy Hour" will be held in the RLYC Drawing Room on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October from 2130-2230.

Bar meals will be available at RLYC Clubhouse, Cowes on Friday evening 6<sup>th</sup> October by advance booking. Tel: 01983 299727