



UK National Championship 2015

Brixham

15th – 18th August 2015

The Organising Authority is Brixham Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

PREAMBLE

The championship will be shared with the National Kestrel Championships

1 RULES

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

1.2.1 The following Racing Rules will be changed:

27.1 and 40 personal flotation devices to be worn at all times afloat; 28,35, Appendix A completion of course, boats may be recorded and scored in a back sweep system;

Full details of these changes to RRS will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

The sailing instructions may change other Rules.

Competitors should note that Brixham Yacht Club has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that when entering competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter

1.2.2 The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. This procedure can be obtained on the RYA website (www.rya.org.uk/general/rulesdisputes).

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3 GPS TRACKING

- 3.1 Boats may be required to carry GPS trackers which will be supplied by the organising authority.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1.1 The regatta is open to fully paid up members of the National Hornet Class Association and boats that comply with the Hornet Class Rules.

- 4.1.2 Each entry shall have a member of the National Hornet Class Association as either helm or crew.

- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form together with the required fee to

Kevin Burt, Hon Treasurer, National Hornet association, 2 Amarylis Close, Titchfield Park, Fareham, Hampshire, PO15 5LQ by completing an entry form and paying the required fee.

- 4.3 The closing date is Saturday 8th August 2015.

- 4.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

- 4.5 Competitors who are under 18 before and including the last date of the regatta must have a declaration form completed by their parent or guardian before they will be allowed to compete. This applies to helms and crews. The parental declaration form is part of the entry form.

5 FEES

5.1 Fees may be paid monthly by standing order starting from February 8th

5.2 Required Fees are as follows:

5.2.1 The entry fees for the event received on or before April 7th 2015 will be:

UK Association members – Discounted price of £115.00 if paid by 5th March 2015 or Monthly pay option to be paid by standing order on the 7th April, 7th May, 7th June 7th July at £30 per month totaling £120.00 (extra covers bank charges)

Junior UK Association members - £40 per boat (subsidized to attract new younger members) Both Helm and crew to be under 21 at and including 18th August 2015

Overseas Association members - £75 per boat (subsidized to help attract oversea boatsback)

5.2.2 The entry fees for the event received on or after April 8th 2015 will be:

UK Association members - £145.00 due to the guarantee of numbers required by the Club, the Hornet association needs numbers early and therefore an early payment discount has been offered.

Junior UK Association members - £70

Overseas Association members - £105

5.3 Entries received on or before the 7th April or being paid by standing order and paid in full by the 7th July will be entered in a prize draw that will be drawn on the evening of Saturday 16th August.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration: Will be at Brixham Yacht Club between 19.30 and 21.00 on Friday 14th August and between 09:00 and 12:00 on Saturday 15th August 2015.
- 6.2 Competitor Briefing: There will be a briefing for competitors at 12.00hrs on Saturday 15th August 2015 in the main bar of Brixham Yacht Club.
- 6.3 Dates of Racing from Saturday 15th August 2015 to Tuesday 18th August 2015 inclusive,
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the races are as shown below;

Date	Race	Warning Signal	Time of High Tide
Saturday Aug 15 th	Briefing followed by, Races 1 and 2	Briefing: 12.00 Points Race 1: Hornets 13.55 – Kestrels – 14.05 (or 10mins after Hornet start). Race 2 asap after Race 1	HW – 07.29 – 4.7m LW – 13.24 – 1.0m
Sunday Aug 16 th	Points Races 3, 4 and 5	Points Race 3: Hornets 10.55 – Kestrels – 11.05 or 10mins after Hornet start). Races 4 and 5 asap after Race 3	HW – 08.04 – 4.7m LW – 13.57 – 1.0m
Monday Aug 17 th	Points Races 6, 7 and 8	Points Race 6: Hornets 10.55 – Kestrels – 11.05 or 10mins after Hornet start). Races 7 and 8 asap after Race 6	HW – 08.38 – 4.6m LW – 14.29 – 1.1m
Tuesday Aug 18 th	Points Races 9 and 10	Points Race 9: Hornets 10.55 – Kestrels – 11.05 or 10mins after Hornet start). Race 10 asap after Race 9	HW – 09.10 – 4.6m LW – 14.56 – 1.2m

- 6.5 No warning signal will be made after 15.00 on Tuesday August 18th.

7 MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate at registration.
- 7.2 Only certified sails may be used during the regatta.
- 7.3 All boats are liable to equipment checks on arrival or be measured at any time during the Championship.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration and may be available beforehand on the Hornet Association web site www.hornet.org.uk

9 VENUE AND RACING AREA

- 9.1 The venue will be Brixham Yacht Club, Overgang Road, Brixham, Devon TQ5 8AR.
- 9.2 The Race Area will be in Torquay Bay. Reference Admiralty Chart 26.and will usually be in but not limited to the area as shown in Appendix 1

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 The courses will be shown in the Sailing Instructions and will be triangle/windward-leeward type courses.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Ten races are scheduled. Four races shall be completed to constitute a valid Championship.
- 11.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3 When 5 to 7 races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4 When 8 or more races have been completed; a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 2 scores

12 BERTHING / BOAT STORAGE

- 12.1 A Dinghy park will be established near the dinghy park at the bottom of Brixham yacht Club adjacent to the slipway accessed via Oxen Cove Car Park. Boats should stay within the assigned dinghy park area.
- 12.2 Large or double stacking trailer or any trailer that the launching trolley and fully rigged boat cannot lay upon will be required to be moved off site. Details of Large trailer storage will be issued before July 18th. There will be a nominal charge of £15 for a week's off-site storage.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 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.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded for the championship and individual races at the discretion of the National Hornet Class Association.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 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."

- 15.2 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;
- (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) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face conditions that they may incur, that their crew is sufficient in experience and fitness to withstand such weather

15.3 INSPECTIONS

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

16 INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

17 TELEVISION AND MEDIA

- 17.1 The media rights belong exclusively to Brixham Yacht Club and the National Hornet Class Association. In entering for this event; competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and Hornet Class Association and any sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, for the duration of the competition in which he/she participates, without compensation.

The participants also undertake not to allow any act of reproduction, public communication or any distribution of images of the racing except any footage taken by themselves or their own boat without the previous authorisation from Brixham Yacht Club or the Hornet Class Association.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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Club website: www.brixhamyachtclub.com

Hornet Class Association. Web: www.hornet.org.uk

Class contact: Eric Marchbanks 07766 702996 email eric@marchbanksplanning.co.uk

End of Notice of Race

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

EVENT INFORMATION

- 1 The Regatta Race Office will be the ‘Holman Room’ an outside office on the harbour side of the club, near the top of the steps from the main clubhouse to the dinghy compound.**
- 2 The Regatta Race Office will be open from 19.30 – 21.00 on Friday 14th, between 09:00 – 18:00 on Saturday 15th and from 09:30 until the expiry of Protest Time Limit (unless extended by the race committee) on Sunday 16th – Tuesday 18th August.**
- 3 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is located in the window area of the Regatta Office.**
- 4 While every effort will be made to ensure the Brixham Yacht Club and Hornet class web sites have current and accurate information this cannot be guaranteed. Official information and amendments to the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions as well as results and protest information will be posted on this Notice Board.**

5 All times will be in BST taken from GPS time.

Friday 14th August

10:00 Competitors may arrive and park their boats in the facilities set aside as noted item 12 of notice of race. Any weight checks that may be carried out will be carried out mast up

Saturday 16th August

19.00 Commodore's Reception and Finger Buffet

Sunday 17th August

18.30 AGM at club house

Followed by 'Hornets have talent?' Will, Matt and Sam will do a musical turn, and other competitors may be asked to do a spot....Strang for the comedy and Mr Dave Edge with guitar and wind? - Kestrels invited to join in and do turns as well. Simon Evance to challenge the best of the Kestrels to a fastest pint competition.

Monday 18th August

19.30 Three course championship meal in the clubhouse

Tuesday 19th August

Prize-giving asap after last race in Clubhouse

Tea, and coffee and snacks available from the clubhouse throughout the event. Evening meals and bar open at appropriate times.

BRIXHAM HARBOUR

All competitors should be aware that Brixham is a commercial working port and regard should be given to commercial craft including ferries and fishing vessels

MEMBERSHIP AND LIABILITY

All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) during

the event and as such shall abide by all the Club's rules and bye-laws. Members of the Class, their guests and visitors are entirely welcome to use the club premises and any other facilities of the club but do so entirely at their own risk.

PARKING AND CAMPER VANS AT BYC

Brixham Yacht Club regrets that the members' car parks' on Overgang Road are not available for competitors' car parking. Daily car parking is available in the Council Oxen Cove pay and display car park adjacent to the BYC dinghy compound. Weekly Parking permits are available for this car park and any other Brixham and Torbay off road Car Park through the Tourist Information Office in Brixham which is in 'Hobnobs' gift shop on the Quay. Tel 0844 474223

Mobile homes/camper vans may not be used for sleeping overnight on the BYC premises, or the immediate vicinity which includes the adjacent council car park (unless permission for parking Camper vans in Council Car parks has been granted by Torbay Parking).

DOGS AT BYC

Well behaved dogs are welcome at BYC but are not permitted in the main club house (except guide dogs). Owners are responsible for the behaviour (and any clearing up after) of dogs while on the premises or vicinity of BYC

ACTIVITIES

There are plenty of external activities to entertain both adults and children in the area with plenty of beaches as well as an extensive range of attractions in the Torbay area. Details of some of these activities will be available on the Brixham Yacht Club and class championship websites.

ACCOMMODATION

There is plenty of accommodation in and around Brixham including camping ranging from tent, caravan and motor home pitches, static caravans, bed and breakfast, small hotels and holiday lets. The link below is not the only source of accommodation but it may be useful.

<http://www.racing.brixhamyachtclub.com/general/Accommodation%20information%20near%20BYC.pdf>