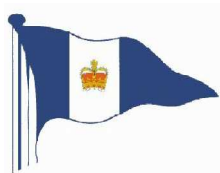


NATIONAL FIREFLY CLASS



THE CRAFTINSURE 62ND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

**SATURDAY 2 AUGUST – FRIDAY 8 AUGUST
2008**



Organising Authority

**ROYAL TORBAY YACHT CLUB
TORQUAY DEVON ENGLAND**

NOTICE OF RACE

ALL TIMES ARE BRITISH SUMMER TIME (BST)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply.
- 1.3 Rules of the National Firefly Class will apply (except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions).
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be classified as Category 'C'.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The championship is open to all boats of the National Firefly Class.
- 3.2 Helmspersons must be fully paid-up members of the National Firefly Association.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to The Club Secretary, Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay TQ1 2BH by Saturday 19 July 2008.
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee together with payment of £170 entry fee (no discounts available after 19 July).

4. FEES

The required entry fees are as follows:

Helms 22 years and over - £150

Helms under 22 years - £75 (Helm must be under 22 years on 01/01/08)

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration:
Saturday 2 August from 1000 hours to 1800 hours.
Sunday 3 August from 0900 hours to 1030 hours.
- 5.2 Dates of racing and number of races:
Saturday 2 August - Practice Race
Sunday 3 August - Race 1
Monday 4 August - Race 2 and Race 3
Tuesday 5 August - Race 4
Wednesday 6 August - Race 5 (Sir Ralph Gore Challenge Cup and Marlow Cup)
Thursday 7 August - Race 6 and Race 7
Friday 8 August - Race 8

- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1525 hours.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first points race is 1155 hours.

6. **MEASUREMENTS**

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.
- 6.2 Measurement and inspection may take place during the championship.

7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1000 hours on Saturday 2 August at the Race Office.

8. **THE COURSES**

Trapezoid or Triangle or Windward-Leeward-Triangle courses will be laid in Torbay.

9. **SCORING**

- 9.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. **PRIZES**

Prizes will be given for the series and individual races at the discretion of the N.F.A. as follows:

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| Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup | - The winner of the points series during the Nationals. This does not include the practice race and includes a discard if enough races have been sailed. |
| Rothmans Trophy | - The helmsperson with the best position overall for the week counting all races. This includes the practice race and allows for no discard if enough races have been sailed. |
| Sir Ralph Gore Challenge Cup | - The winner of the Gore Race normally sailed on the Wednesday of the championship by the top half of the fleet, usually those who have finished 15 th or higher in any of the previous races. |

Marlow Cup	- The winner of the Marlow Race normally sailed on the Wednesday of the championship by the second half of the fleet, usually those who have finished 16 th or lower in any of the previous races.
City of Plymouth Trophy	- Winner of the first points race.
Sussex Silver Firefly	- Winner of the second points race.
Felixstowe Ferry Trophy	- Winner of the third points race.
RAFSA Trophy	- Winner of the fourth points race.
Mike Nye Memorial Trophy	- Winner of the fifth points race.
Stern Light Trophy	- Winner of the sixth points race.
Avon Bailer Trophy	- Winner of the seventh points race.
Tomato Boats Trophy	- Winner of the eighth points race.
Deben Ladies Trophy	- The helmswoman with the best position in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup.
Geriatric Trophy	- The helmsperson over 40 with the best position in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup.
Veterans Trophy	- The helmsperson over 40 with the best position in the Gore Race.
Ultimate Trophy	- The most senior crew with the best position in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup. This is raced for by the 5 oldest boats, calculated on the combined crew and helm ages.
Tolly Cobbold Cup	- The club which has the lowest aggregate points in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup from their 4 best placed helms.
Restronguet Ovaloid Trophy	- Best helm under 18 in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup.
Insurance Trophy	- Best helm under 21 in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup

Eden Trophy

- The best improver from their position in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup at the previous year's national to the current position in the Sir Richard Fairey Points Cup.

11. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the championship.

12. **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 or the equivalent.

13. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the Championship organiser Priscilla Porteous, Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay TQ1 2BH Telephone 01803 292006, email p.porteous@mdlmarinas.co.uk