



NOTICE OF RACE

**Organising authority
Royal Torbay Yacht
Club**

**Comet Trio National
Championships
22nd – 24th June 2012**

PLEASE RETURN ENTRY FORM WITH PAYMENT OF £85.00 TO :-
The Secretary, Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay,
Devon, TQ1 1UL
Tel 01803 213910 Fax 01803 200297 Email: admin@rtyc.org
Website : rtyc.org

1.0 ORGANISATION

- 1.1 The sailing races described in this NOR are organised by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. All enquiries and correspondence should be addressed to: Secretary, Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH. Tel: 01803 292006 Fax: 01803 200297. E-mail admin@rtyc.org

2.0 RULES

- 2.1 Races shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of the RYA, Comet Combined Class Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Changes to the Racing Rules will be appear in full in the Sailing Instructions

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The races are open to all members of the Comet Combined Classes Asociation fulfilling the class membership criteria.
- 3.2 Any changes of helm or crew during the event must be applied for in writing and agreed by the Race Committee in writing in advance of the change being made.
- 3.3 Each boat shall comply with the measurements and class rules of The Comet Combined Classes Association. The Race Committee reserves the right to measure any boat at any time during the championship.

4.0 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Entries shall be submitted to the Secretary, Royal Torbay Yacht Club on the official entry form. No entry will be accepted without the appropriate fee.
- 4.2 An official entry form is attached
- 4.3 Entry Fee of £85 To be paid by 12th June 2012. (2 methods of payment)
1. By cheque made payable to Royal Torbay Yacht and on the back of the cheque, Comet Trio Nationals, your name and sail number.
 2. By debit card as per details on entry form.
- 4.4 Entries close at 1200 noon on 12th June 2012. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee with a £95 late entry fee.

5.0 SCORING

- 5.1 The Low Points Series of RRS Appendix A will be used.
- 5.2 Seven Races are scheduled of which 2 shall constitute a series.
- 5.3 When fewer than 4 races are completed all race scores will count.
- 5.4 When 4 to 5 races are completed the boat's worst score will be discarded
- 5.5 When 6 or more races are completed the boats two worst scores will be discarded.

6.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 Registration will take place in the Race Office located on the ground floor of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. On Thursday 21st June from 1700 to 1900 hrs and on Friday 22nd June from 0900 to 1100 hrs
- 6.2 The race times stated are for the warning signal.

| Date | Time | Event |
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| Friday 22 nd June | 09.00 to 11.00 11.00 hrs | Registration - RTYC Race Office Competitor Briefing (Harbourside) |
| | 12.55 hrs | Warning Signal for the first race of the day. It is intended to sail two races. |
| Sat 23 rd June | 10.55 hrs | Warning Signal for first race of the day. It is intended to sail three races |
| | 10.30 hrs | Evening Meal Corinthian Room, RTYC |
| Sun 24 th June | 10.25 hrs | Warning Signal for the first race of the day. It is intended to sail two races. Prizegiving will take place asap after racing at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club |

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions for the event will be available by Friday 15th June 2012 and will be posted on the club website (www.rtyc.org). Copies will be available for collection at registration and a copy will be displayed on the official notice board at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

8.0 BERTHING – LAUNCHING

- 8.1 Comet Trio's will be rigged and berthed on Haldon Pier and launched down the slipway into Torquay Harbour.

9.0 RACE AREA AND COURSES

- 9.1 The racing will take place in the waters of Torbay.
9.2 The courses to be sailed will be Triangle-Windward-Leeward – Full details will be described in the Sailing Instructions

10.0 RACE RESULTS

- 10.1 Race results will be posted on the official notice-board situated in the RTYC after racing each day and on the Club website (www.rtyc.org)

11.0 ADVERTISING

- 11.1 All advertising shall comply with ISAF Advertising Code Regulation 20

12.0 PRIZEGIVING

- 12.1 The presentation of Prizes will take place following the end of protest time or after protests on Sunday 24th June at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club

13.0 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 phones.

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 All competitors must wear personal floatation devices at all times whilst afloat. Wetsuits and dry suits are not adequate personal floatation devices. This changes RRS 40
14.2 A tally system may be in operation. If a tally system is in operation all competitors will tally out before going afloat and tally in as soon as possible after coming ashore.
14.3 To prevent entanglement all long hair is to be worn up.

15.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4.
- 15.2 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.
- 15.3 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 15.4 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in at least the amount stated in clause 17.1 below for the duration of the championship.
- 15.5 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include amongst others the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and Beachmasters.
- 15.6 In the event that assistance is rendered to any competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury is accepted by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, the Race Committee or the crew of any rescue craft.

16.0 INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party cover of not less than £3,000,000 and it is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate. No responsibility will be accepted by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, or any other party involved in the organisation of the championship.

17.0 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

The Media Rights belong exclusively to Royal Torbay Yacht Club and the Comet Combined Classes Association. By participating in this event a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

The participants also undertake not to allow any act of reproduction, public communication or any distribution of images of the race, without the previous authorization from the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.