



STONEWAYS [▲] VPRS

National Championship 2021 Notice of Race

28th - 29th August 2021

ORGANISING AUTHORITY - The organising authority is jointly VPRS Rating and the Lymington Town Sailing Club.

RULES - Racing will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021- 2024 (including the Racing Charter), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

REGULATIONS - World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2020-2021 Category 4 (monohulls) shall apply.

ADVERTISING - Boats may carry advertising as allowed by the World Sailing advertising code.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY - The championship is open to boats carrying a valid 2021 VPRS racing certificate.

Racing will not take place with fewer than 6 entries, in which case entry fees will be refunded.

Entries will be accepted by completing the online entry available at:

www.vprs.org

www.pyra.org.uk

www.stoneways.co.uk

Or in writing to the VPRS Rating Office, 2 Ratcliffs Garden, Shaftesbury, Dorset, SP7 8HJ.

Entries must be made no later than Monday 23rd August 2021 after which date entries may only be allowed at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority and may incur a financial penalty.

ENTRY FEE - The entry fee shall be £20.00

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RATINGS - Each boat must have an up-to-date VPRS rating certificate. Entrants who do not have a current rating certificate by Monday 23rd August, at the discretion of the Organising Authority, will be disqualified. **Ratings are available by contacting the VPRS Rating office - vprs.org**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - The Sailing Instructions will be published on the website, vprs.org and available at Lymington Town Sailing Club from Monday 23rd August 2021.

CLASSES- Dependent on entry numbers, competing boats may be divided into separate classes. This will be decided by rating bands, with splits to be confirmed.

COURSES - Racing will be in the Western & Central Solent and the Western Approaches to the Solent.

RACE PROGRAMME – Three races are scheduled to take place on Saturday, 28th August 2021, with a first warning signal not before 10:30 am. One longer distanced race is scheduled to take place on Sunday, 29th August 2021 with a first warning signal not before 10:30 am – for which double points will apply.

SCORING - One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. The Low Points scoring system will be used with the exception that RRS 90.3 is amended. There will be double points scored for a single race taking place on Sunday, 29th August 2021.

VHF RADIO & COMMUNICATION - All boats when racing shall carry an operational VHF radio. Radio communications with competitors will normally be by VHF radio Channel M2 (P4). In the event of this channel being blocked Channel M (37) may be used.

PRIZES for each class will be presented at the Prize Giving after racing on Sunday at the Lymington Town Sailing Club

RISK STATEMENT - Rule 4 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 and volunteers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

INSURANCE - All boats are required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims including cover for racing in the sum of at least £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling). By entering, entrants declare that such cover will be maintained in full force throughout the championship.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

BERTHING – Berthing for all competitors is available at the Dan Bran walk ashore pontoon located at Lymington Town Sailing Club, provided by Lymington Harbour.

Competing boats requiring such berths must make their own individual bookings by calling the Lymington Harbour Office on 01590 672014 and advising that they are competing in the VPRS National Championship.

All visiting boats must book and pay for their berths prior to Tuesday 24th August 2021.

Additional information can be found at:

www.lymingtonharbour.co.uk/visitor-moorings

LYMINGTON TOWN SAILING CLUB – All competitors may avail themselves of the facilities, kindly provided by Lymington Town Sailing Club, for the duration of the championships.

SOCIAL – Friday 27th August 2021 – A rendezvous for competitors is scheduled to take place at Lymington Town Sailing Club at 19:00, including results for the PYRA feeder race for Poole to Lymington thanks to Poole Sailing.

Saturday 28th August 2021 – A daily prizegiving is scheduled to take place at Lymington Town Sailing Club at 19:00 followed by the VPRS Class Dinner for which a separate booking will be required in advance at £25.00 per person (see entry form).

Sunday 29th August 2021 – An overall Championship prizegiving is scheduled to take place at Lymington Town Sailing Club at 17:30 thanks to Stephen Lees Contemporary Art.

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