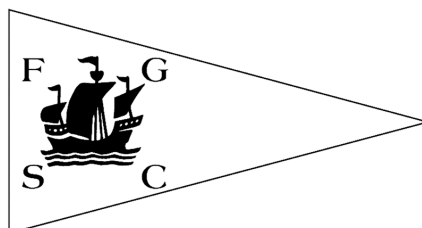
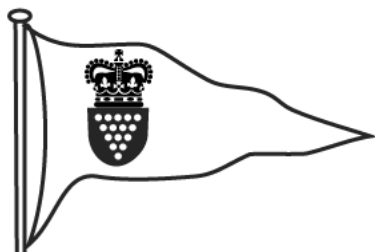


# Port of Fowey Racing

## UK Ballad Association Championships 2017

### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> & Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May

## Sailing Instructions



### ROYAL FOWEY YACHT CLUB

### FOWEY GALLANTS SAILING CLUB

The **organising authority** is the Port of Fowey Race Organising Committee (POFROC), an unaffiliated body owned and controlled by the Royal Fowey Yacht Club (RFYC) and Fowey Gallants Sailing Club (FGSC).

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2 The Fowey Harbour Byelaws and Notices to Mariners published by the Fowey Harbour Commissioners (FHC) apply both within the harbour and the approaches to it. (The Byelaws are available from FHC or at <http://www.foweyharbour.co.uk/assets/file/pdfs/Downloads/byelaws.pdf>). The attention of competitors is particularly drawn to the requirement that commercial shipping has right of way within the harbour and approaches. Failure to observe this Byelaw may result in disqualification without a hearing. Verbal instructions from the FHC staff and the safety boat crews shall be obeyed.
- 1.3 Racing rules 26 Starting Races, 35 Time Limit, 40 Personal Flotation Devices and 44 Penalties will be changed as follows:
  - 26 Races will be started using rule 26 (except for pursuit races – see 9.4 below).
  - 35 Any boat not finishing within 20 minutes of the second boat to finish will be scored DNF.
  - 40 Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times while afloat without the display of flag Y. This changes the definition of rule 40.
    - 44.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.4 The UK Ballad Class Association rules will apply.
- 1.5 Boats shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Monohulls Appendix B plus VHF radio.

#### 2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the RFYC.

#### 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted a minimum of one hour before the scheduled starting time of the race or races affected, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. Radio Communications

- 4.1 All Boats shall carry and operate a VHF radio and monitor race office broadcasts.
- 4.2 The race office will use VHF Channel 37 (M1).
- 4.3 The failure to receive any race office transmissions shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.

#### 5. Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff or race office at RFYC when Starting Lines One or Three are being used.

## 6. Racing Areas, Marks and Courses

- 6.1 The racing areas and marks will be as described in Appendix 1.
- 6.2 Courses will be “round the cans”.
- 6.3 All courses will be set and broadcast on VHF Channel 37 (M1). The failure to receive VHF messages in the Cruiser fleets shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.

## 7. The Start

- 7.1 Races will be started using rule 26 (except for pursuit races – see 9.3 below).
- 7.2 An attention signal will be transmitted on VHF 5 minutes before the signal.
- 7.3 **Pursuit start races.** All start times will be posted on the official notice board a minimum of 2 hours before the scheduled start time. No starting flags, lights, sounds or individual recalls will be used for these races; Cruisers should start according to their published start times. Cruisers that start prematurely will be penalised by having ten times the difference between their actual starting time and their published starting time added to their elapsed time for the race.

### 7.4 Starting Lines

**Line One** - a line extending from a transit formed by a white triangle with an orange border on the buildings behind the race office and the RFYC flagstaff limited by a line perpendicular to this start line that passes through mark B.

**Line Three** - a line between the mast of the committee boat and either a yellow inflatable outer distance starting mark or an adjacent course starting mark outside the harbour entrance. If flag H is displayed ashore, the starting line will be laid inside the harbour. An announcement may also be made on VHF Channel 37.

## 8. The Finish

### 8.1 Finishing lines

**Line One** - a line extending from the RFYC flagstaff to the **seaward side (South side)** of mark B, with this mark as the outer distance mark.

**Line Three** - a line between the mast of the committee boat and either a yellow inflatable outer distance mark or an adjacent course starting mark outside the harbour entrance.

## 9. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 9.1 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the notice boards at RFYC or FGSC for details.
- 9.2 Protest forms are available from the race office at RFYC. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 9.3 For races finishing at Fowey, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 9.4 Notices will be posted within 48 hours of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the time and place stated on the notice.
- 9.5 Notices of protests by the race or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 9.6 For rule 44.3 Scoring Penalty, the display of a yellow flag is not required and a penalty of 40% of the score for *Did Not Finish* (DNF) shall be applied to the boat's race score (see rule 44.3(c)).

## 10. Safety Regulations

**10.1 Identification.** Sail numbers are compulsory and shall be the same as on the entry form. In addition, boats shall fly the appropriate class flag.

**10.2 Alternative means of propulsion.** All boats shall have an effective alternative means of propulsion for safety.

**10.3 Retirements.** A boat that retires should endeavour not to pass through the finishing line. **Failure to notify retirement may result in disqualification from the series.**

## 11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta 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 regatta.

## 12. Inspections

The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat and her documents does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

## 13. Hull Cleaning

- 13.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats at any time during the regatta.

13.2 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited.

**14. Berthing and Hauling Out**

14.1 Berthing will be allocated at the Berrills Yard pontoon by FHC staff on arrival.

14.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

**15. Insurance**

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

**16. RYA Racing Charter**

Competitors should note that POFROC has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that, when entering, competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020) or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter)

**17. Further Information**

Please see the POFROC website [www.pofroc.org.uk](http://www.pofroc.org.uk), or contact Chris Ogg, POFROC Chair [chris.ogg@me.com](mailto:chris.ogg@me.com) or 07785382525.

# Royal Fowey YC & Fowey Gallants SC



The two clubs extend a warm welcome to  
all guests and visiting yachtsmen

## Appendix 1

### Racing Area and Marks for Offshore Courses

This chart must not be used for navigation.

The position of marks is for identification only.



#### Description of Marks and Approximate Positions

D	St. Austell Brewery "Tribute"	50° 19.504'	4° 38.838'	Yellow Spherical buoy
E	Sail Shape	50° 19.333'	4° 37.956'	Yellow Spherical buoy
F	Dinghy South	50° 19.000'	4° 38.500'	Yellow inflatable
G	Cannis Rock Buoy	50° 18.450'	4° 39.879'	IALA South Cardinal buoy
H	Four Turnings Garage	50° 19.233'	4° 39.325'	Yellow Spherical buoy
J	The Old Quay House Hotel	50° 19.100'	4° 36.400'	Yellow Spherical buoy
K	Udder Rock Buoy	50° 18.930'	4° 33.848'	IALA South Cardinal buoy
L	Kettle Kitchens	50° 19.122'	4° 41.462'	Yellow Spherical buoy
M	The Beach	50° 20.041'	4° 42.856'	Yellow Spherical buoy
N	Bay Buoy	50° 19.511'	4° 43.052'	IALA Yellow Special buoy
P	Bennett Jones Chartered Accountants	50° 18.000'	4° 43.800'	Yellow Spherical buoy
Q	Quay Bakery	50° 18.000'	4° 42.500'	Yellow Spherical buoy
S	Fowey Hall Hotel	50° 18.900'	4° 42.800'	Yellow Spherical buoy

Mark B – Silver Turning Buoy off RFYC.

#### Navigation

The Cannis Rock and Udder Rock Buoys are to be passed on their correct navigational sides, unless designated as marks of the course. Passage between the Cannis Rock and the adjacent shore is forbidden.

***POFROC and all competitors are appreciative of our sponsors without whom use of our yellow racing marks would not be possible.***