



Cowes Clubs and Classes Association
Cowes Keelboat Regattas 2012
Solent Series
Cowes Keelboat Championship
 Notice of Race



Participating clubs invite boat owners of the Six Metre, Daring, Etchells, Dragon, Flying 15, XOD and RS Elite Classes, and other keelboat classes by arrangement, to enter the Cowes Keelboat Regattas at Cowes to be held on the dates shown below. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Regatta from 2nd to 4th June 2012 is excluded from this series.

1. Organising Authority

The organising authority is the club below on the weekends shown:

Month	Weekend Dates	Solent Series Shoreline	Organising Club
April	Sat 21/Sun 22	Royal London YC	Cowes Keelboat Championship Committee Boat
April	Sat 28/Sun 29	Royal Corinthian YC	
May	Sat 5/Sun 6/ Mon 7	Royal London YC	Royal Yacht Squadron
May	Sat 12/Sun 13		
May	Sat 19/Sun 20	Island Sailing Club	
May	Sat 26/Sun 27		Island Sailing Club
June	Sat 9/Sun 10		Cowes Corinthian YC
June	Sat 16/Sun 17		Royal London YC
June	Sat 23/Sun 24	Royal Thames YC	
July	Sat 7/Sun 8	Cowes Corinthian YC	
July	Sat 14/Sun 15	Royal Corinthian YC	
July	Sat 21/Sun 22	Royal Corinthian YC	
July	Sat 28	Household Division YC	
July	Sun 29	Royal Yacht Squadron	
Aug	Sat 4/Sun 5	Cowes Corinthian YC	
Sept	Sat 1/Sun 2	Island Sailing Club	
Sept	Sat 8/Sun 9		Royal Thames YC
Sept	Sat 15/Sun 16	Royal London YC	
Sept	Sat 22/Sun 23		Royal Corinthian YC
Sept	Sat 29/ Sun 30	Royal Thames YC	
Oct	Sat 6/Sun 7	Royal London YC	
Oct	Sat 13/Sun 14	Island Sailing Club	

2 Rules

Racing is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Boat safety equipment shall comply with the following:.

General. All safety equipment shall be of a suitable size and type for the boat and all equipment and fittings (including outboard engines if carried) shall be securely fastened.

Buoyancy. Each boat shall either be self-draining or be equipped with a suitable means for bailing or pumping.

Personal buoyancy. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be carried for each member of the crew (wetsuits do not count as personal buoyancy).

Radio. Each boat shall carry a suitable marine band VHF transceiver.

Flares. Each boat shall carry at least two in-date red hand flares in a waterproof pack.

Anchor. Each boat shall carry a suitable anchor and sufficient chain/warp to hold the boat in 15m depth of water in the expected racing conditions.

Fire extinguisher. Boats carrying fuel shall carry a fire extinguisher.

First aid. Each boat shall carry a waterproof first aid pack with instructions.

Man overboard. Each boat shall carry a rescue quoit or throw-bag with at least 15m of floating line.

3. Conditions of Entry

Before racing the first named boat owner shall sign the Declaration and Disclaimer of Liability indicating that they have read and understood this Notice of Race for the Keelboat Regattas at Cowes, posted on the website www.cowes.co.uk and www.cowesonline.com and in some organising clubs and that they agree to be bound by the contents.

Upon demand by the relevant host club, entrants shall present a valid measurement certificate and/or proof of membership of the class association. Boats may be checked for safety equipment before or after each race at the discretion of the race committee. There shall be no race unless two boats start. No dedicated rescue boats are provided for this series.

Before racing the first named boat owner shall ensure that there is adequate insurance for racing risks including third party indemnity of at least £2 million and that co-owners and co-helms, if any, and the crew are made aware of the undertakings in these conditions of entry.

4. Sailing Instructions, Flag Signals made Ashore and Communications

Sailing instructions will be available from each organising club on the Saturday of the weekend prior to their regatta weekend. Sailing instructions, flag signals and the race committee for the Cowes Corinthian YC, Royal Thames YC and Household Division YC will be located at the Royal Corinthian YC, Royal London YC and Royal Yacht Squadron respectively. Safety and race information will be broadcast on VHF Channel 37A(M1) for shore-line starts and VHF Channel 77 for committee boat starts. Boats are required to carry a marine VHF handheld set on board and to keep a radio watch whilst racing..

5. Warning Signal Times

Unless otherwise advised in Part 2 of the SIs, or in any Amendment to the SIs, the following warning signal times will apply to all Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays:

Fleet No	Class	Warning Signal Times	
		Sat	Sun and Mon
1.	International Etchells*	1250*	1150*
2.	Daring	1300	1200
3.	International Dragon	1310	1210
4.	XoD	1320	1220
5.	International Flying15*/ 6. Sonar*	1330*	1230*

* Only if requested by the class to the organising club of the day

On committee boat weekends there will be two races per day with the second race following as soon as possible after the first. If only one race is completed on the Saturday, three races may be held on the Sunday.

6. Scoring, Penalty System, RYA Arbitration and Results

Class associations are to score their own class seasonal points series. For any club trophies the scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A with one discard allowed from each club's Solent Series. If 3 or fewer races are completed then all shall count. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty). RYA Arbitration will be available for this series. The exoneration penalty will be a 20% scoring penalty implemented in accordance with rule 44.3(c). Results will be posted at: <http://results.vg/cowes/cowes>

7. Prize-givings

The Cowes Keelboat Championship prizegiving will be held on Saturday 6th October 2012 at 6.30pm at the Royal London Yacht Club.

Club prize-giving 2012 dates for the Solent Series prizes are planned as follows:

Household Division YC - Sat 28 July	Royal Thames YC - Tue 6 November
Island Sailing Club - Sun 14 October	Royal London YC - Sat 17 November
Royal Corinthian YC - Sat 3 November	

8. Entry

An Entry Form for the series with details of the boat and the Declaration and Disclaimer of Liability shall be signed by the first named boat owner and sent, before racing, to 'CCCA' c/o Island Sailing Club (address on the Entry Form) together with the entry fee. The entry fee will be either £285 per boat for the season in advance for all classes for both the Solent Series and Cowes Keelboat Championship provided the seasonal entry fee is paid to the 'CCCA' before first day raced by your boat this season or £20 per day for the Solent Series and £25 per day for the Cowes Keelboat Championship. Any additions or changes to the entry shall be notified to the CCCA c/o Island Sailing Club no later than the Thursday before the weekend concerned. Entry fees may be made by BACS transfer to:

HSBC Sort Code: 40 18 63 Account: Cowes CCA A/C Number: 80016187 Reference your Sail No.

Please return the Entry Form to:

Cowes Clubs and Classes Association,
c/o Island Sailing Club, 70 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight, PO31 7AS



**To enter the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Regatta
go to: www.qdjregatta.co.uk**



2012 Season Entry Form



Cowes Solent Series and Keelboat Championship

6 Metre, Daring, Etchells, Dragon, Sonar, Flying 15, XOD & RS Elite

Return to: Cowes Clubs and Classes Association (CCCA), c/o Island Sailing Club, 70 High St. Cowes, IOW, PO31 7RE

Fax: 01983 293214 Office: 01983 296621

Boat Name			Full Sail Number		
Class	(Circle as applicable) 6 Metre – Daring – Etchells - Dragon –Sonar - Flying 15 – XOD – RS Elite				
1 st Named Owner					
Full Postal address					
	Postcode:		Your club:		
Home Phone:		Evening Emergency Phone			
On board Mobile no					
Email – Please print					

ENTRY FEES – Indicate whether you are entering the whole series or individual races

£285 Season's entry (includes all shoreline and all committee boat races). Cheques to: 'CCCA'

£20 for individual shoreline race days £25 for individual committee boat race days

If you are entering individual race days, please provide the dates of those days here:

**This completed season entry form and entry fee must be with the ISC before your first race.
Completed Individual race entries must be with the ISC by 12:00 noon on the Friday before racing.**

ENTRY DECLARATION & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

I have read and understood the Notice of Race for the Solent Series and Cowes Keelboat Championship, posted on the website www.cowes.co.uk and www.cowesonline.com and in some organising clubs.

I am fully aware and conscious of the actual and potential risks involved in engaging in active water sports and that I and my crew's physical safety could be endangered by the actions or inactions of other competitors, the organisers and the race committee. I further accept full responsibility for the safe navigation of my boat and its crew who shall use their own judgment whether to start, continue or retire from a race in the existing or forecast conditions. To the extent permitted by law, I therefore understand and accept that the organising club of the day and their race officers, the sponsor (if applicable) and their representatives, jointly and severally, shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever arising directly or indirectly from their rules, policy or rulings during the races or related activities. I enclose my advance seasonal entry fee and agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, class rules as applicable and by all other rules that govern these events. I undertake to sail in compliance with the RYA Racing Charter, and declare that I hold valid and current insurance, which adequately covers me for third party claims of at least £2,000,000 (two million pounds sterling) whilst racing. Before racing I shall ensure that my co-owners and co-helms, if any, and the crew are made aware of the undertakings in this declaration.

Name (Please print)			
Signature		Date	

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