



Parkstone Yacht Club

Bringing Sailing to Life



UK National Cadet Class Association

Notice of Race for the

Alf Simmonds Trophy 2017

29th - 30th April 2017

The Organising Authority is Parkstone Yacht Club (PYC) in conjunction with the UK National Cadet Class Association (UKNCCA).

Parkstone Yacht Club, Poole, Dorset. BH14 8EH.

1. Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020 (RRS), the Class Rules of the International Cadet Class (including the Equipment Rule of Sailing 2017-2020 ("the ERS") where referred to), the current UKNCCA Standing Sailing Instructions (CCSSI), the Event Sailing Instructions (ESI) and this Notice of Race (NOR). In the event of conflict between this NOR, the CCSSI and the ESI, the ESI will prevail.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules of the International Cadet Class are on the International Cadet Class Association website (www.cadetclass.org), or on the UKNCCA website (www.cadetclass.org.uk).
The ERS are available on the World Sailing website (<http://www.sailing.org/documents/equipmentrules/index.php>).
The CCSSI and the Courses Appendix will be available on the UKNCCA website (www.cadetclass.org.uk) and a set will be posted on the Event Notice Board at the event.
The ESI will be posted on the Event Notice Board at the event, and may also be available on the UKNCCA website (www.cadetclass.org.uk).
- 1.4 Competitors shall wear personal buoyancy at all times afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 Any decals provided by the Organising Authority must be displayed as provided in World Sailing Regulation 20.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats where both helm and crew are members of a National Cadet Class Association affiliated to the International Cadet Class Association.
- 3.2 Helms and crews must be aged 17 or under on 31st December in the year of the event.
- 3.3 Entry shall be made online on the Official Entry Form submitted with Medical form and a declaration of Parent/Guardian and paying for the event as per SI 3.4. The cost of entry is £115. **A discount may be obtained by paying for all three selector events in advance, the cost for this is £310.** Full details are on the UKNCCA website Events page (www.cadetclass.org.uk/selector-series).
- 3.4 Payment for entering is now done online. It is **very important** that the correct bank reference is used. This will be: e.g.: **S1/16000 for the Peter Scott Trophy or S.ALL/16000 for all three selector events (16000 being the membership ID number).** If you do not have a membership number you must obtain one by joining the class association before the event.
- 3.5 Online entries close at midnight on the 22nd April 2017. Entries will be accepted at registration on the day of the event with cash payment.
- 3.6 Attention is also drawn to CCSSI 22 as to the activities of support boats and personnel and the possible sanctions for infringement of that rule.
- 3.7 Junior Waiver forms are to be filled in, signed and handed in at registration before sailing can take place.

4. Classification

- 4.1 Entries will be divided into Gold, Silver and Bronze fleets in accordance with the UKNCCA protocol in that regard, a copy of which is set out in the Appendix to this NOR.

5. Schedule

5.1 Registration

All helms and crews must register at the Event. Registration will be on Saturday 29th April between 09:00 and 10:15 at PYC and otherwise as indicated. Membership of the UKNCCA will be required

5.2 Dates and Times of Racing

5.2.1 There will be a briefing for all competitors at 10.30 on Saturday 29th April, in the clubhouse.

5.2.2 Six races are scheduled.

5.2.3 The warning signal Saturday 29th April will not be earlier than 11.55 and on Sunday 30th April is currently intended to be at 10.55. This prevails over the CCSSI's.

5.2.4 It is likely that all races during a day will be held back to back without time to go ashore in between races.

5.2.5 Not more than four races will be sailed in one day.

5.2.6 No warning signal will be made after 15.30 on the last day of the regatta.

5.2.7 The Gold and Silver Fleets will usually sail together. For Bronze Fleet courses please refer to the CCSSI's, the Bronze Fleet will be scored separately. At its discretion the Race Organising Committee may combine the Bronze Fleet with the Gold and Silver Fleet.

6. Measurement

6.1 A valid measurement certificate for the boat shall be produced at registration. A valid Buoyancy Test for the boat shall be produced no later than 20:00 on Saturday 29th April.

6.2 Where a valid measurement certificate is not produced, RRS 78.2 is amended as follows:

6.2.1 A statement to confirm a valid measurement certificate is held shall be signed by the competitor and his or her parent or guardian.

6.2.2 A certificate shall be submitted to the Race Organising Committee not later than 1200 hrs on the last day of the event.

6.2.3 A fee of £20 may be payable.

6.3 It is intended that at least the first three boats in each race of the Gold and Silver Fleets which have not previously been selected for inspection during the event and up to three selected at random from the fleet (including their spars, sails and equipment and that of their helms and crews) shall be inspected, weighed and/or measured in such respects as the Equipment Inspector for the event in his discretion shall think fit.

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1 Limited copies of the Event Sailing Instructions (ESI) will be available at registration. Competitors are encouraged to print their own from the UKNCCA website. Sailing Instructions will also be displayed on the Event Notice Board.

8. Venue

8.1 Racing will take place in the area of Poole Harbour known as the 'Top Triangle'.

9. Courses

9.1 The courses are defined in the CCSSIs

10. Scoring

10.1 The scoring system is as defined in RRS Appendix A.

10.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.3 When fewer than three races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.4 When three or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. Prizes

11.1 Prizes will be awarded to:

(i) To the first six helms and crews overall in the combined Gold and Silver fleet;

(ii) To the first three helms and crews in the Silver fleet;

(iii) To the first three helms and crews in the Bronze fleet.

Prizes may also be awarded in various categories.

12. Risk Statement

Rule 4 of the racing rules of sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

Inspections

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

13. Insurance

- 13.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (three million pounds).

14. Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment

By participating in an event of the Cadet Selector Series the competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, and their 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 the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media Press conference each day.

Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

15 Parkstone Yacht Club Variations

- 15.1** Competitors shall comply with the rules of the PYC whilst on site.

15.2 Membership & Liability

- 15.2.1** All visiting competitors will be deemed temporary members of Parkstone Yacht Club during the event and as such shall abide by all the Club's rules and bye-laws.

- 15.2.2** Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.

15.3 Support Boats

- 15.3.1** Support boats shall register at the Race Office during the registration period.

16 Further & Local Variations

16.1 Dinghy Parking

- 16.1.1** All visitors' dinghies entered for the competition are to be positioned in the designated area. Under no circumstances may competitors camp, sleep overnight or leave cars or any other vehicle in the dinghy park.

16.2 Landing on Brownsea Island

- 16.2.1** All competitors are warned that the National Trust charge each person who lands on Brownsea Island. Wardens patrol the island to collect the money. In the interest of local co-operation, it would be appreciated if competitors respect this and either do not land on Brownsea Island or take the necessary money with them, unless they are members of the National Trust and can produce evidence of this.

16.3 Chandlers

- 16.3.1** Quay West Marine are adjacent to the dinghy park entrance (Tel: 01202 732445).

16.4 Notices

- 16.4.1** The Official Notice Board will be in the Club House.

16.5 Further Information

- 16.5.1** For further information please contact the Parkstone Yacht Club main office on 01202 743610 or sailing@parkstoneyc.co.uk or visit our website www.parkstoneyachtclub.com

APPENDIX

UKNCCA Protocol as to Gold, Silver and Bronze Fleets 2017

1. This system shall apply to the following events:

Event number	Event Name	Location	Date
Event 1	UKNCCA 1st Selector - Peter Scott Memorial Trophy	WPNSA - Weymouth & Portland	13 – 14 April 2017
Event 2	UKNCCA 2nd Selector - Alf Simmonds Memorial Trophy	Parkstone YC	29 – 30 April 2017
Event 3	UKNCCA 3rd Selector - Clemenson Nautilus Trophy	Royal Corinthian YC - Burnham	28 - 28 May 2017
Event 4	UKNCCA National Championships	South Caernarvonshire YC	26 Aug – 2 Sept 2017
Event 5	RYA Eastern Zone Championships	Rutland Sailing Club	23rd – 24th Sept
Event 6	UKNCCA Inland Championships	Rutland Sailing Club	30th Sept – 1st Oct

2. Allocation of Fleets Gold & Silver:

Event 1 & 2	
Gold Fleet	Silver Fleet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boats the helms of which were in the Gold fleet in 2016 Boats the helms of which were in the UKNCCA National Squad 2016/17 Boats the helms of which were in the RYA Cadet National Junior Squad 2016/17 Boats the helms of which were ranked less than or equal to 40% in the UKNCCA National Ranking Table at the end of 2016. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boats the helms of which are not in Gold fleet. Boats the helms of which were in one of the UKNCCA Racing squads for 2016/17.
Event 3, 4 & 5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As events 1 & 2 Boats the helms of which finished as helms in the top 3 in the Silver fleet in both of the 2 events to which this system applies immediately preceding the event in question Boats the helms of which whose average percentage results in the combined Gold and Silver fleets 2 events immediately preceding the event in question (i.e. in events (1) and (2) for event (3) or in events (2) and (3) for event (4)) is less than or equal to 45%. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (So, for example, a helm who came 27th out of 90 entrants overall in event (1) and 20th out of 50 entrants overall in event (2) would have an overall average percentage result for the two events for the purposes of this paragraph of $((27/90 \times 100) + (20/50 \times 100)) \div 2 = 35\%$.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Events 1 & 2 Boats the helms of which finished as helms in the top 4 in the Bronze fleet in both of the 2 events to which this system applies immediately preceding the event in question

3. Allocation of Bronze Fleet

The Bronze fleet shall consist of all other entrants.

4. Application by the helm to be considered for another fleet to that allocated

Any helm who qualifies for either the Silver Fleet or Bronze fleet, may apply to be placed in another higher ranked fleet. Such application will be assessed on the basis of the applicant's age, past results & sailing ability. Application must be made by letter stating age, past results and reasons for application. The application must be supported by a letter from applicant's Squadron Captain or other person suitably qualified to assess the applicant's sailing ability and suitability for a higher ranked fleet.

The applicant's letter and the supporting letter may be in hard copy or email form, but either must be received by the UKNCCA Chairman no later than Sunday 9th April.

Additionally sailors from the Junior Development Squad for whom these are their first UKNCCA events may apply to be in the Bronze fleet.

If an applicant is only entering say one event in the year e.g. The Nationals then the right to apply is extended up to and including the 14th day prior to the start date of that event. The UKNCCA Committee will, at its discretion, appoint a panel of 3 persons to assess the application and its decision will be final.

5. Allocation to a different fleet by the UKNCCA Committee

Notwithstanding the foregoing the UKNCCA Committee appointed panel may allocate a boat to a different fleet if it considers that fleet is more suitable for the boat concerned having regard to the results, age or ability of the helm and/or the crew, but such an allocation will not be made without the consent of the helm of the boat concerned.

6. Boats entered in the wrong fleet for an event

Any Helm/boat found to knowingly be entered and sailing in the wrong fleet under this system should advise the UKNCCA Chair immediately. Failure to notify the UKNCCA of your placement into the wrong fleet can carry the maximum penalty of disqualification for that race or races completed in the series whilst entered in the wrong fleet.

7. Sailors from other Classes

Sailors from other classes will be allocated to fleets by the UKNCCA Committee appointed panel having regard to the results, age or ability of the helm and/or the crew, but such an allocation will not be made without the consent of the helm of the boat concerned.