



# 2019 Albin Ballad UK Open National Championships

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Organising Authority: RCYC Events Ltd,  
Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

in conjunction with the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

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- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).  
(a) RRS 35, A4 and A5 will be changed so that boats may be scored DNS or DNF by the race committee without a hearing.  
(b) Rule 63.7 will be changed to permit a rule in the sailing instructions to take precedence over a rule in the notice of race.  
(c) Full details will be given in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.2** World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B – For Inshore Racing will apply.
- 1.3** Local regulations will apply concerning safe navigation in close proximity of vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, and dive vessels. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions.

### 2. ADVERTISING

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Boats will not be required to display event advertising.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

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- 3.1** The regatta is open to boats that are members of the UK Albin Ballad Association. Boats shall declare at entry whether they intend to race with a spinnaker or without a spinnaker (white sail).
- 3.2** Competitors should enter on-line at [www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/ballad/](http://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/ballad/) after Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. No entry will be accepted after 1900 on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May.
- 3.3** An entry is not complete until:  
(a) entry fees have been paid in full  
(b) a crew list has been submitted. The crew list shall identify the designated “deputy person-in-charge” should the person-in-charge become incapacitated, and shall contain full emergency contact details. The form is available for download on the event website.  
(c) a parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted for crew age 18 and under. The form is available for download on the event website.

### 4. FEES

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- 4.1** The entry fee for the regatta is £120, except that entries received before Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May will pay the discounted fee of £100

- 4.2 The fee covers participation in the racing, and one ticket to the championship dinner. Additional tickets for the dinner may be purchased during entry.
- 4.3 The fee does not include berthing although discounted berthing is available for participating boats and support boats, at Falmouth Haven (see 10.2).

## 5. REGATTA FORMAT

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- 5.1 The regatta will consist of four races comprising the championship series plus a standalone pursuit race that will not count towards the championship.
- 5.2 Spinnaker and white sail boats will race as separate divisions but will start together.

## 6. SCHEDULE

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Date	Activity	Time	Location
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Registration	1400-1900	Race Office
	Skippers' briefing	1930	RCYC
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Up to three races back-to-back*	First warning signal 1100	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Up to three races back-to-back*	First warning signal 1100	
	Prize-giving and Gala Dinner	2000	RCYC
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Coastal pursuit race	Warning signal approx. 1000	

\* A third race may be sailed if required to maintain the schedule in the event of adverse circumstances, e.g. weather conditions.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Sailing instructions will be available for download on the event website no later than Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

## 8. VENUE AND COURSES

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- 8.1 The race office will be situated at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club. Racing for the championship series will take place in Falmouth Bay or adjacent waters to the east. If conditions in the Bay are unsuitable, racing may be held within the estuary (see appendix 1). The coastal pursuit race will cover the waters between Falmouth and Fowey.
- 8.2 Courses for the championship series will be Windward-Leeward or Windward-Leeward-Triangle as described in the sailing instructions. Races will be approximately 75 minutes in duration.
- 8.3 The course for the pursuit race will be a passage from Falmouth to Fowey, starting from the fixed line at Pendennis Point, as described in the sailing instructions.

## 9. SCORING

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- 9.1 The Spinnaker and White Sail divisions will be scored separately.
- 9.2 A minimum of 2 races shall be completed to constitute the championship.
- 9.3 When fewer than 3 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 9.4 When 3 to more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 10. BERTHING

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- 10.1 There is no restriction on where boats may be berthed.
- 10.2 Berthing for competitors' boats and support boats will be available at Falmouth Haven at a discounted rate. Full details of the facilities at the marina are available at [www.falmouthhaven.co.uk](http://www.falmouthhaven.co.uk). Competitors should make their own arrangements with marina staff.

## 11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

## 12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 13. PRIZES

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13.1 Class Association trophies will be awarded as follows:

### **UK Open National Championship (Spinnaker Division)**

Jean Ellis Memorial Trophy	Overall winner
Upper Deck Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup> overall
Toms Trophy	3 <sup>rd</sup> overall
Pam Sheridan Trophy	Highest placed Fowey yacht (after the first 3 overall)
Rocky's Spoon	Last boat overall

### **UK Open National Championship (White Sail Division)**

Corinthian Trophy	Overall winner
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### **Pursuit Race**

Old Ferry Inn Trophy	Winner
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### **Other Trophies**

The Julian Foye Trophy	Concours d'Elegance
Noakes and Habermehl Voyager Trophy	Boat travelling furthest from her home port to the championship
Variety Trophy	Best endeavour

13.2 Engraved glassware will be awarded to the boats placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the overall series and, for each individual race, to the highest placed boat not already winning an individual race prize. In addition, mementos of the championship will be presented to each competing boat.

## 14. RISK STATEMENT

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14.1 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".

14.2 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:

- 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;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions and omissions;
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 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;
- Provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- 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 a safety briefing held for the event;
- They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

## **15. INSURANCE**

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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. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

## **16. MEDIA RIGHTS**

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Competitors and/or their guardians automatically grant to the organising authority and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

## **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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For further information about the venue please visit [www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org](http://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org) or contact the regatta office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 312 126, Fax: +44 (0)1326 211 614, E-mail: [operations@rcycevents.co.uk](mailto:operations@rcycevents.co.uk).

For further information on Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, please visit [www.falmouth.co.uk](http://www.falmouth.co.uk).

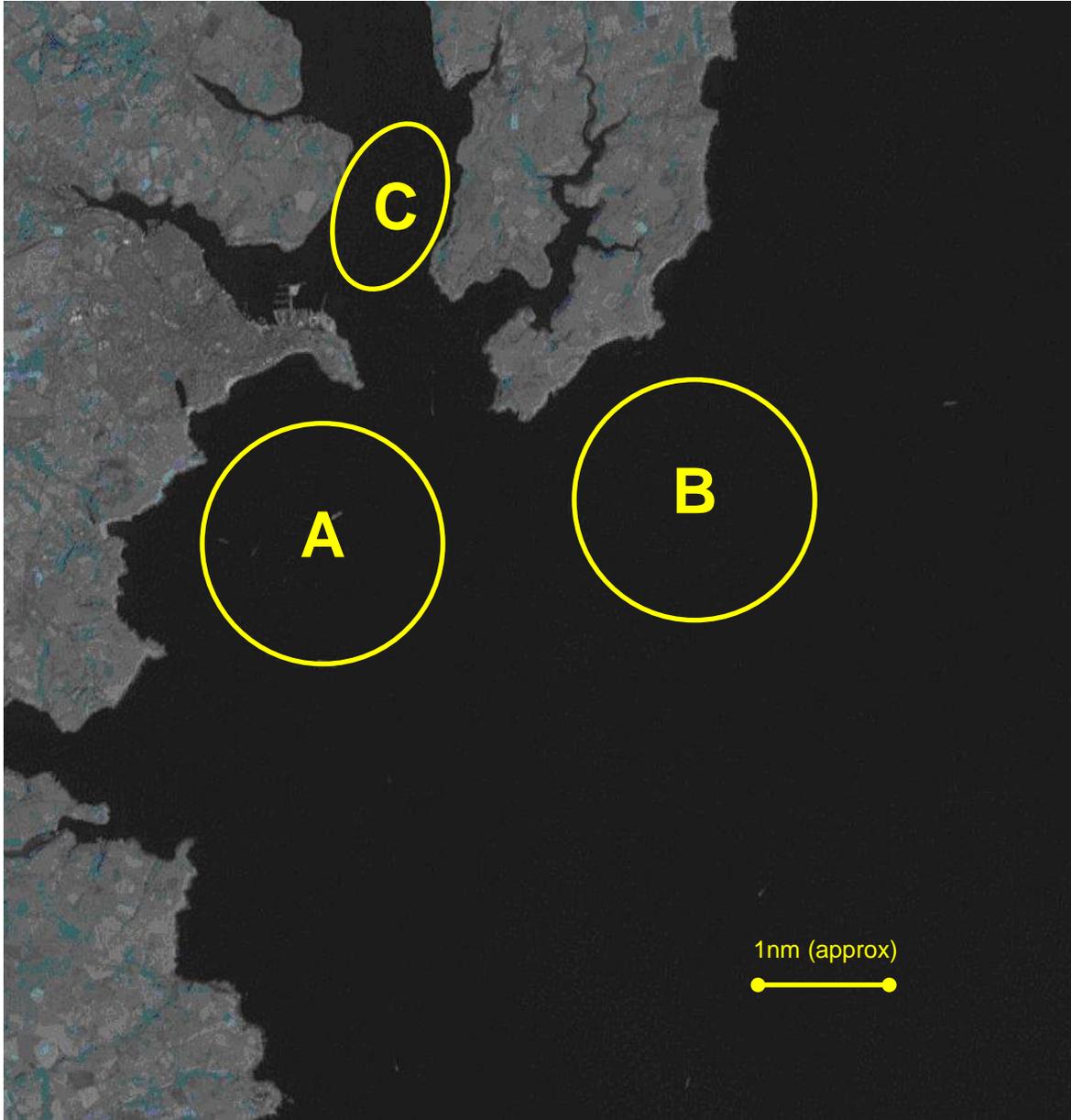
## Appendix 1

### Venue



- 1 - Royal Cornwall Yacht Club (race office, skippers' briefing, protest hearings, prize-giving, socials)
- 2 - Falmouth Haven
- 3 - Public car parks

Indicative course areas



End of Notice of Race

## Appendix 2 (not part of the Notice of Race)

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### Socials

#### **Sailing Supper, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

A sailing supper will be available at about 2000 hrs (after the skippers' briefing), to coincide with the end of normal Friday night club racing. Tickets at £9.95 may be booked on entry and paid for at the bar on the night.

#### **Championship Barbeque, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

A barbeque will take place in the marquee at the RCYC on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 1800 hrs. Tickets at £16 should be booked during entry and paid for at registration.

#### **Championship Gala Dinner, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

The dinner, at which prizes will be presented, will take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 2000 hrs, at a cost of £24 per person. One ticket is included in the entry fee. Additional tickets should be booked and paid for during entry.

The menu for the dinner is shown on the next page. Competitors are asked to indicate their menu choices by calling or emailing the club office (01326 312 126, [admin@royalcornwallyachtclub.org](mailto:admin@royalcornwallyachtclub.org)). To aid the catering staff at the club, competitors are earnestly requested to make their choices **by 19<sup>th</sup> May**.

#### **Sailors' Breakfasts**

Walk-in breakfast will be available at the RCYC from 0800 to 0930 on each day of the regatta, at a cost of £5 per person.

#### **Bar**

A bar for competitors will be available in the marquee at the RCYC, in addition to the normal bar facilities in the club; both will be open from 1100 to 2300 each day. Also, tea and coffee will be available in the RCYC from 1000 to 2300 and lunches from 1200 to 1400.

## SET MENU

**£24.00 per person**

*Choose one from each course*

### STARTERS

Soup of the Day s/w rustic Bread & Butter

Chargrilled Chicken Caesar Salad

Melon & Prawn Cocktail w/a Marie-Rose Sauce

### MAIN EVENT

Slow Roasted Belly Pork & Apple Sauce

Salmon Supreme with Creamed Leeks

Vegetable Lasagne & Tossed Salad

### DESSERT

Chocolate Brownie s/w Double Cream

Selection of Roskilly's Ice Cream

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**Coffee and Mints**

*When placing an order for food please notify a member of staff of any dietary requirements or allergies, also any questions about dishes that we have on offer.*