



INTERNATIONAL MIRROR CLASS GUL BRITISH OPEN NATIONAL AND GUL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Monday 24th July – Friday 4th August 2017

Organising Authority: Restronguet Sailing Club,
Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

in conjunction with the
International Mirror Class Association (IMCA) and UK International
Mirror Class Association (UKIMCA)

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- (a) RRS Appendix P “Special Procedures for Rule 42” will apply to the World Championships. Appendix P will be changed by deleting P2.3. P2.2 will apply for second and subsequent penalties.
 - (b) RRS Appendix T “Arbitration” will apply to both events. The Post-Race Penalty stated in rule T1(b) may be changed by the sailing instructions.
 - (c) 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.
 - (d) The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.2 Under rule 87, rule 9.2 of the class rules may be changed to allow cameras and electronic tracking devices provided by the organising authority (OA).
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages then the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the sailing instructions.

3. ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

- 3.1 Boats will be required to display jib numbers. The organising authority will supply the numbers and instructions for their use.
- 3.2 Each day while racing, the first, second and third boats in series ranking at the beginning of the day will be requested to wear an event bib. The organising authority will supply the bibs and instructions for their use.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The events are open to all boats that comply with the rules of the International Mirror Class.
- 4.2 For the Nationals only, the event is also open to boats which generally comply with the rules of the International Mirror Class but do not have a valid measurement certificate. These boats will race concurrently with other boats but will be scored separately as the “Bronze Fleet”.
- 4.3 All sailors shall be paid-up members of a club or other organisation affiliated with a World Sailing Member National Association or, where none exists, direct members of IMCA.
- 4.4 Boats competing in both championships, or only in the Nationals, shall complete on-site registration prior to 1700 on Tuesday 25th July, unless the OA extends this time. Boats

- competing only in the Worlds shall complete registration prior to 1700 on Saturday 29th July, unless the OA extends this time.
- 4.5** The closing date for entries to be received by the OA is Friday 7th July. Entries submitted after this date may be accepted at the discretion of the OA, and will be subject to payment of an additional late entry premium. The final dates after which no entry will be accepted are as follows:
- (a) British Open National Championship - 1700 on Monday 24th July
 (b) World Championship - 1700 on Friday 28th July
- 4.6** All entries shall be submitted on-line at <http://2017worlds.mirrorsailing.org/>.
- 4.7** An entry is not complete until:
- (a) entry fees have been paid in full;
 (b) the crew list and declaration form, available at registration, has been signed by each sailor;
 (c) all sailors have provided proof of membership required by regulation 4.3 above;
 (d) a valid measurement certificate issued by the boat's World Sailing MNA has been submitted prior to the close of registration (except that boats entering the Nationals Bronze Fleet under regulation 4.2 above will not be required to present a valid measurement certificate);
 (e) all boats have completed inspection;
 (f) a parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted for sailors age 18 and under. The form will be available for download at <http://2017worlds.mirrorsailing.org/>.

5. FEES

- 5.1** The entry fees are as follows:

	Both events	Worlds only	Nationals only
Normal entry	UK£350	UK£300	UK£100
Late entry	+UK£50	+UK£50	+UK£20

- 5.2** The entry fees cover berthing, trailer storage and a car parking permit, and admission for helm and crew to the opening and closing ceremonies.
- 5.3** Boats requiring berthing outside of the period Monday 24th July to 1200 on Saturday 5th August are responsible for making private arrangements through the OA.
- 5.4** Competitors requiring berthing for support boats are responsible for making private arrangements through the OA, which will also advise on launching at the nearby public slipway.
- 5.5** Refund Policy. Refunds (less an administrative charge of UK£10) will only be given if cancellation is received before Friday 7th July.

6. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 6.1** The British Open National Championship will consist of a series of ten scheduled races.
6.2 The World Championship will consist of series of twelve scheduled races.

7. SCHEDULE

The schedule is shown in Appendix A.

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1** Before the close of registration each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate issued by the boat's MNA, except boats in the Nationals Bronze Fleet.
- 8.2** Scheduled equipment inspection will take place during the periods stated in Appendix A. In addition, random spot checks of boats and equipment may be carried out at any time during the regatta including on the water.
- 8.3** As provided in RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for the event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available online at <http://2017worlds.mirrorsailing.org/> from Thursday 20th July. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website before this date. Entrants will be informed by email if a preliminary version has been posted.

10. VENUE AND COURSES

- 10.1** The race office will be situated at Restrouguet Sailing Club. Racing will take place on course areas situated within the River Fal estuary or in Falmouth Bay depending on conditions. See Appendix B.
- 10.2** Courses will be Windward/Leeward or Windward/Leeward/Triangle as described in the sailing instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1** For both events, a voluntary Post-Race Penalty will be available when appropriate. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions.
- 11.2** An international jury will be appointed for the World Championship in accordance with RRS 91(c).
- 11.3** Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12. SCORING

- 12.1** A minimum of 4 races shall be completed to constitute a championship.
- 12.2** When fewer than 5 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 12.3** When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst excludable score.
- 12.4** When 10 or more have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst excludable score.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

All support boats shall be registered with the OA and shall comply with event regulations that will be published in an addendum to the sailing instructions.

14. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places when they are ashore, unless the OA has given permission in writing for a boat to be elsewhere.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1** Perpetual trophies will be awarded by the UK Mirror Class Association and the International Mirror Class Association as stated in Attachment C
- 15.2** The OA, class associations and sponsors may also award other prizes.

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1** 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".
- 16.2** 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:
- (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 and omissions;
 - (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) 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) provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 16.3** 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.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of UK£3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

18. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the OA 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.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the event and venue please visit <http://2017worlds.mirrorsailing.org/>, or contact the regatta office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 315774, email: 2017worlds@mirrorsailing.org.

For further information on Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, please visit www.falmouth.co.uk.

Appendix A

Schedule

A1. Registration and Equipment Inspection

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Monday 24 th July and Tuesday 25 th July	Registration and Equipment Inspection for Nationals and Worlds	0900-1700	RSC
Saturday 29 th July	Registration and Equipment Inspection for Worlds	0900-1700	RSC

A2. British Open National Championship

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Tuesday 25 th July	Opening ceremony	1800	RSC
Wednesday 26 th July	Race briefing	0900	RSC
	Up to four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Racing area as signalled
Thursday 27 th July	Up to four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Racing area as signalled
Friday 28 th July	Up to four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Racing area as signalled
	Prize-giving/closing ceremony	After racing	RSC

A3. World Championship

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Sunday 30 th July	Opening ceremony	0900	RSC
	Race briefing	1300	Racing area as signalled
	Practice race	First warning signal 1425	Racing area as signalled
Monday 31 st July To Thursday 3 rd August	Up to four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Racing area as signalled
Friday 4 th August	Up to four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Racing area as signalled
	Prize-giving/closing ceremony	1900	RSC

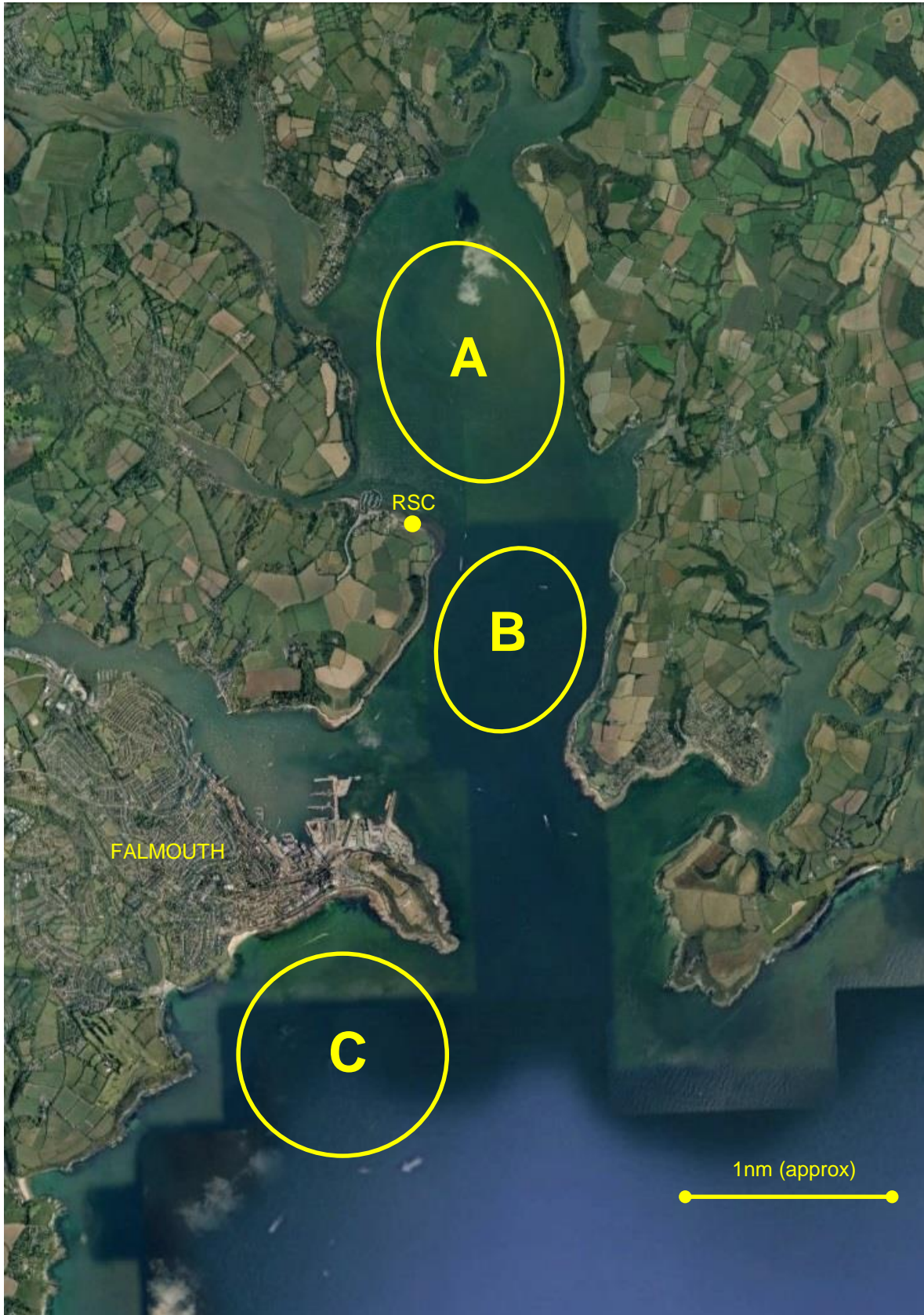
Appendix B

Venue



- 1 – RSC and boat park
- 2 – Car and trailer parking, and pre-event boat parking
- 3 – Pay & display car parking
- 4 – RIB launching
- 5 – RIB berthing
- 7 – Chandlery

Indicative course areas



Appendix C

Prizes

C1. British Open Championship

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

The British Open National Champion
Second place overall
Third place overall
Highest ranked lady helm
Highest ranked helm & crew under 19* excluding overall winners
Highest ranked helm & crew under 15* excluding overall winners
Highest ranked local helm under 19*
Highest ranked helm over 39**
Highest ranked helm over 49**
Highest ranked Scottish boat
Highest ranked Welsh boat
Best team (lowest aggregate score of the three highest ranked boats entered from the same club)
Highest ranked parent & offspring
Highest ranked Devon or Cornwall helm & crew under 18*
Twenty-fifth place overall
Lowest place overall having completed every race
Youngest crew** to have completed all races
Highest ranked wooden boat
Highest ranked single-hander
Winner of the Bronze fleet
Winner of practice race
Winner of race 1
Winner of race 2
Winner of race 3
Winner of race 4
Winner of race 5
Winner of race 6
Winner of race 7
Winner of race 8
Winner of race 9
Winner of race 10

*at 28th July 2017

**at 26th July 2017

C2. World Championship

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

The Mirror World Champion
Second place overall
Third place overall
Highest ranked female helm
Highest ranked helm & crew under 19*
Highest ranked parent helm with offspring crewing
Highest ranked helm and crew under 15*
Highest ranked helm over 40**
Highest ranked gaff-rigged timber boat
Highest ranked boat from host nation
Top nation (lowest aggregate score of the three highest ranked boats in each nation)

Daily Mirror Trophy
Pioneer Cup
America Cup
Proops Pot
Arthur Vine Trophy

Harry Yule Smith Plate

Arthur Birt Trophy
Lucas Trophy
1963 Trophy
Aberdeen Trophy
Gulf Cup
Fleet Shield

Topaz Trophy
Dyno-Rod Cup

Silver Jubilee Trophy
Shavian Mug
Super Crew Cup
Ptwootle Trophy
Bass Charrington Trophy
Jan Grieg-Gran Plate
International Paints Trophy
Marlow Rope Trophy
Turbo Service International Plate
Jeckells Mirror Trophy
Peter Wilson Trophy
City of Plymouth Trophy
National Westminster Trophy
Abersoch Trophy
40th Anniversary Trophy
Mylor Yacht Harbour Trophy
Roger Graffy Trophy

UK Trophy
Canada Trophy
Lough Derg Trophy
Seafort Trophy
President's Trophy
Family Trophy
Junior Trophy
Masters Trophy
Classic Trophy
Best Home Boat Trophy
Paul Bannon Trophy

Daily aggregate best score

**Australian Trophy
Africa Trophy
Europe Cup
Asia Trophy
America Cup**

*at 4th August 2017

**at 31st July 2017

C3. Combined Nationals and Worlds

The Navigators and General Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest aggregate score in the British Open National and World Championships.