



DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

Dartmouth Royal Regatta Aug 28th- Sept 2nd 2018

Important News - The 2018 format is changing

Well actually not by a lot!.....Our Royal Charter stipulates that the Regatta must include the last Friday in August which means that this year it will fall after the August Bank holiday and run into the first weekend in September. Taking this into account and listening to competitors feedback from previous years we have decided to start the four day series racing a day early on Wednesday 29th August and finish on Saturday 1st September. There will be a Passage Race on Tuesday 28th August from Brixham to Dartmouth, but this will not form part of the overall series.

Please see the Notice of Race on the website for further information.

There are several reasons for the changes which we hope competitors will appreciate:

- Finishing the regatta series on Saturday coincides with the Town Regatta and Saturday night fireworks climax and leaves Sunday available to get boats back to their home waters, all the more important this year because the August Bank Holiday falls at the beginning of regatta week and not after it.
- The increasing cost of shore based accommodation for crews is another consideration and finishing on the Sunday, as in previous years, often meant booking a full second week. This year's Saturday finish should save owners money without spoiling the quality of the regatta.

Although the series racing finishes on the Saturday there is still an event to participate in on the Sunday for those people with a little more time or who are locally based so please stay on and enjoy a day of different competition

The White Sail event has grown in popularity over recent years and is being expanded into Sunday in addition to the traditional Saturday. The event is aimed at crews who like a challenge but don't want the hurly burly of racing, it is a relaxed couple of days where brain rather than brawn will be needed. Each day has its own set of prizes so don't worry if you can only take part on one of the days We hope those with more time and local boats will enjoy the additional day.

The other really good news – the entry fees have been held again at the same level as last year, meaning you get really great value for money in these times of rising costs.

We can't guarantee the weather, (although we have already put our order in for 'Champagne conditions'), but you can be assured of a really warm welcome, competitive racing under the control of our experienced team, and the atmosphere afloat and ashore that only Dartmouth Royal Regatta can provide!

We look forward to seeing you in August

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