



DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

**Organising Authority (OA):
Joint Regatta Sailing Committee
Royal Dart Yacht Club (RDYC)
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Saturday 21st – Tuesday 24th August 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION – **ROCKFISH** Junior Dinghies tomorrow's fish are still in the sea

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With the on-going Covid 19 pandemic situation it is uncertain at this stage what will be possible in August. It is hoped many of the restrictions will have been lifted in line with the government's recently announced road map, but some measures may still be in place. We are also awaiting an announcement from the Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta committee regarding their plans for events on shore.

The following therefore is what we would like to be available, based on the 2019 regatta, but will probably be subject to change. Updated information will be made available nearer the time.

The Venue

Junior Dinghy racing will be based at the Royal Dart Yacht Club (RDYC) in Kingswear. Racing will normally take place in the river, between Dartmouth Castle and RDYC, so viewable easily from RDYC. Alternatively the Range (just outside the river mouth) or up the river, off Old Mill Creek may be used if conditions are more favourable there. The race team can advise viewing locations for the alternative sailing areas – a short car journey and walk may be needed to access these.

Food, Drink and Club Facilities

The entry fee includes lunch at RDYC for all competitors. If your child has special dietary requirements please make the Regatta Office aware at the time of entering. Changing facilities and showers are available in the clubhouse.

Families and friends are warmly invited to watch the racing from the RDYC terrace. Bacon rolls will be available on the terrace for breakfast, and snacks, meals and drinks may also be purchased from the normal RDYC bar menu. Dartmouth Yacht Club in Dartmouth will be also open for snacks, drinks, lunches, evening meals and showers. For more information call the RDYC bar on 01803 752496 or DYC steward on 01803 832305.

Please note both clubs have a policy of allowing only food purchased on the premises to be consumed there.

A full programme of other Regatta events is available on the Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta website www.dartmouthregatta.co.uk

Safety

Parents and Competitors will appreciate that the safety of competitors and visitors to the Regatta is of utmost importance. The Organising Authority (OA) reserves the right to take appropriate actions to protect the safety of competitors and visitors before and during the Regatta.

It is mandatory for competitors to wear personal flotation device at all times while afloat including on the RDYC pontoons. It is also strongly recommended adults do the same.

Accommodation

There are many holiday flats, hotels and guest houses in the area as well as campsites. Details are available from www.dartmouth.org.uk. **Early booking is strongly advised.**

Arrival in Kingswear, Dinghy and Trailer Parking

If you are delivering a boat to Kingswear, **it is essential you let us know by Monday 16th August** (email info@dartmouthsailingweek.com or phone 01803 752496). This is so the Beachmaster and his crew can arrange a time to meet you, to assist with off loading your boat and moving it to an allocated space on the RDYC pontoon. Please note boats **must be delivered to Darthaven Marina** - do not attempt to off load in Priory Street (i.e. outside RDYC) as you will cause an obstruction.

For SatNav users Darthaven Marina postcode is TQ6 0SG. Otherwise to get to Kingswear by road, follow the B3205 from its junction at Hillhead with the A379. On arrival in the village, follow signs to Darthaven Marina. In the marina car park you will be directed to an off loading area. Please note there is free access to the car park for **1 hour, but a penalty charge will be incurred if you overstay** (see *car parking information below*).

Free of charge trailer parking will be available up to Tuesday evening. No trailer parking is available beyond this time due to the limited parking available for cars during the main regatta.

Car parking

On road parking is very limited in Kingswear and there may be additional restrictions leading up to Regatta Week.

Pay and display car parking, with the option to pay (including extend) by the RingGo mobile phone App, is available at Darthaven Marina on a first come basis. **The Darthaven car park is operated by a third party who will levy a very severe penalty payment if the terms and conditions are not met.** (RingGo is also available for other District Council owned car parks in Dartmouth and Torbay).

For other travel information, including bus, ferry and park-and-ride services, please visit www.dartmouthregatta.co.uk/information

Programme

There will be up to three races per day. More details can currently be found in the Notice of Race on www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/Race-documents. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the same website from 1st August.

In general we plan the sailing day as follows:

- 09:00 Competitors assemble at RDYC and rig their boats
- 09:30 Briefing on the terrace at RDYC for competitors and families – **It is very important that competitors attend.**
- 10:00 Launch boats under the direction of the Safety Officers
- 10.25 First warning signal
- 10:30 First class start
- 12:00 Racing completed
- 12:30 Boats de-rigged and competitors ashore
- 12:45 Lunch
- 13:30 Results and daily awards

Repair facilities

A well stocked chandlery exists in Kingswear. There are also a number of local sailmakers and riggers if required.

Have a safe journey and we look forward to seeing you at the Regatta.