

CLUB SAILING UPDATE 09.06.2026

Welcome to this week's **Club Sailing Update** and let's start with a windy Sunday.

The morning, with racing from Haldon Pier and with our thanks to Bill and his race team, saw just 4 boats braving the conditions. Amy and David in the B14, Paddy Bettesworth and crew in the J70 and comprising half the fleet, John and Team Xcellent in Xcellent and Phil and crew (including our commodore) in Doris Reloaded. Despite being pushed hard Xcellent held on to win in both races in both the Sportsboats and SB20 classes. Though less than a minute separated all 3 boats the B14 enjoyed some terrific sailing.



HOT OFF THE PRESS:

- The crane on South Pier: An engineer is booked for June 10th. We'll keep you posted on progress.
- Racing will be run from Haldon Pier until Mary Gurine is back in commission. Mary Gurine is being lifted out for repairs on 10th June and will be back, all being well on 12th June.

Reminders:

Safety Duties

- **Duty Rota:** With the change to sailing instructions (posted on the [web site](#)) **apart from the IRC and Cruiser classes, racing will not happen unless there is a safety boat on the water.** Consequently, it is vital that members are aware when they are on duty.
Unsure when you have a duty? **The rota is published [here](#).** This will be updated in July for the autumn and winter duties. ***If you cannot attend a safety duty arrange a swap and let us know via the WhatsApp groups.***
- **Using the Ribs:** Please remember:
 - There must always be a helm and crew on a safety rib.
 - Helms must be members of the Club and hold a RYA PB2 accreditation. Crew must be members of the Club.
 - Buoyancy aids or lift jackets must be worn when afloat.
 - Check the craft's fuel levels before leaving harbour and on return. Replace used tanks with full ones as required.

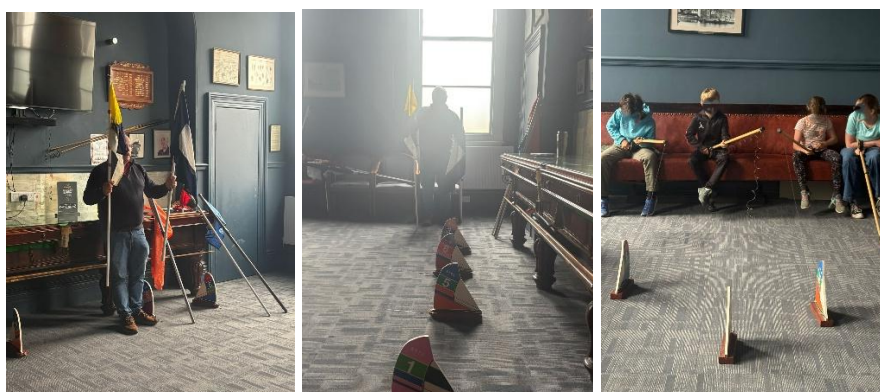
WhatsApp Groups: To clarify communications, the groups intended usage will be:

- **RTYC Racing Communication:** Is solely for communication in relation to current and forthcoming races. E.g. Race Officer notifying a change or decision about an aspect of racing.
- **RTYC Skipper and Crew Finder:** Focused on helping getting people and boats afloat.
- **Class Groups: (RTYC Dinghies, Sportsboats and Cruisers)** This **IS** the place for fleet racing, all associated chat and your sailing pictures.

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This week due to weather it was shore based activities for SQ13. Which still involved flags and boats with carpet substituting for the bay.



We have 2 more sessions coming up in June, if you are able to help on June 13th or 27th ashore or afloat, please get in touch.



Massive thank you again to all the adult helpers ashore and on the RIBS. We can't get out on the water without you.

Remember RYA Junior Dinghy Training (Stages 1 – 2, 3 or 4) August 10th – 13th

<https://rtyc.org/event/junior-dinghy-training-stages-1-2-3-or-4/>



FORTHCOMING RACING EVENTS

Friday 12th June - Torbay Invitational (Cruisers)



Friday 12th June sees the return of the Torbay Invitational for its third edition. Invited businesses will compete across 19 yachts, enjoying breakfast, racing, BBQ, live music, and great prizes. Onshore guests will also be able to follow the action via live on-screen yacht tracking at RTYC.

Now in its third year, the Torbay Invitational has established itself as Torbay's largest annual yacht race - bringing together 19 yachts, 230 attendees, and representatives from 120 regional businesses. The event is organized by Philip Meek Mortgages & Wollens; and is sponsored by PKF Francis Clark, Pantaenius Yacht Insurance, Spinlock, and others - endorsed by RTYC Admiral, Nigel Wollen



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Friday 19th – Sunday 28th June – RTYC Offshore Week



Just 10 days to go. Entries are still open.

This week we have published the Briefing Notes and Yacht Manifest form for completion by all Skippers by June 18th.

The Briefing Notes detail the social activities for the week including the Customs procedures and links to the forms.

Completing the Yacht Manifest and Customs Forms: Make sure you complete your Yacht Manifest and customs forms (before Monday). One per boat. Have all your crew passport information available before you start the Manifest Form. Details about discounted berthing in Guernsey and arrangements for the other ports are at the top of the Manifest Form.

The Briefing : Thursday 18th June at 19.00 in the Billiard Room of the Club. Suppers will be available.

The menu includes:

- Minute Steak & Frites
- Mediterranean Tart, Slaw & New Potatoes
- Scampi, Chips & Peas
- Choice of curries including gluten free.

Each at £15.00 per head. If you are a bigger party, we suggest booking a table (email barmanager@rtyc.org) to avoid disappointment as the Club will be busy that night.

Updates:

Any questions can be posted in associated WhatsApp group detailed in the NoR and Sailing Instructions.

Please monitor the WhatsApp group for the latest notifications.

Check out the Offshore Week website page for full details, to complete your entry and other entry forms. <https://rtyc.org/event/offshore-week-2026/>

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Torbay Dinghy and Royal Regattas:



Please help us in promoting this event, encourage entries, spread the word and share with your sailing friends both locally and around the country.

The Notice of Race for the Torbay Dinghy Regatta is now published and Entry is open at <https://rtyc.org/event/torbay-dinghy-regatta-2026/>



The Torbay Royal Regatta is shaping up to be a great event this year with two separate race areas and multiple classes choosing Torquay for their championships. We will be hosting the IRC South West Championship, Impala Nationals, and both the J/24 and RS21 Nationals. A strong Sportsboat entry is expected especially from the SB20 class with the World Championship coming to Torquay in 2027. Full details and NoR [HERE](#)

CHAMPIONSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Are still needed for the

B14 European and Global Championships

Europeans - Thursday 18th to Saturday 20th June

Globals - Monday 22nd to Friday 26th June

We are still seeking Beach Team volunteer and rib crews, if you can help in any way at the B14's or any of the forthcoming championships, please give Bob Penfold a call or email events@rtyc.org

Dates of all 2026 Championships can be found [HERE](#)

RIB and other TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Take a look at our schedule of courses and see how it can help build confidence and keep you safe on the water. [Training Courses | Royal Torbay Yacht Club](#)

