

CLUB SAILING UPDATE 07.07.2026

A quieter week this week with just club sailing and some of our cruisers off down to Salcombe with our Coastal and TaDCCS series. Whilst we have had to cancel the Torbay Dinghy Regatta, I am pleased to announce that there will be Squadron 13 and Club racing over the weekend instead.

HOT OFF THE PRESS:

- We are organising standard club racing on the 12 July. We had to cancel one Sunday due to lack of wind and a broken crane earlier in the Summer Sunday series and that will now happen this Sunday. Providing the wind co-operates. Current forecasts are for 12-13knts gusting 17-20knts from the East.
- Squadron 13 have pulled together an additional Saturday session. Details are in their WhatsApp group.

Yachts – Opportunity to Race in Plymouth:

The Weekend of July 17th & 18th is the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association Yacht Regatta with a pursuit race on Friday and YTC rated racing Saturday.



Notices of Race and full details can be found [here](#).

Our Club - Our Newsletter:

Seen or involved in some interesting RTYC club sailing or racing? Then please drop me a little report (with a photo or 2 if you have them) and I would love to include your article/report. Constructive feedback is also welcome. I can be reached on 07976 131505 or email rearcommodore@sailing@rtyc.org.

FORTHCOMING RACING EVENTS

Torbay Royal Regatta 2026



This is one of the oldest regattas in the country with racing dating back to 1813 but not called a regatta until 1828. The regatta has had Royal consent since 1839.

The regatta has a strong history of incorporating other important events such as being part of the series of regattas used as selection trials for the Americas Cup in the early part of the 20th century and indicator trials in the 1960s.

This year is no exception with the event incorporating:

- The J24, RS21, Impala 28 National Championships
- The IRC South West Championships (the IRC National Championships are part of Dartmouth Royal Regatta that follow the Torbay Royal Regatta)
- A strong Sportsboat entry is expected especially from the SB20 class with the World Championship coming to Torquay in 2027.

Plus, the Admirals cup for cross class teams and Addison Gold cup for best overall performance.

Come and join the fun, entries are still open. Full details and the NoR are [HERE](#).

Our Sailing Secretary

Is away on a well-deserved this week. So, some updates from the editor:

Club Racing Round-Up

Midweek Racing (Wednesday)

Wednesday night sailing saw some close racing especially in the cruiser classes with Papillon II taking the win in IRC and Xcellent winning both the Sportsboats and SB20 classes.

Sunday Racing in the Bay

Sunday racing saw a strong turnout by the Sportsboats and SB20 classes. Congratulations to Xcellent, Doris Reloaded and Bewitched all of whom won a race in their classes during the morning. This just proves how close and competitive the Sportsboats and SB20 fleets are these days.



Duty Rota Update & Upcoming Schedule

The current duty rota is live!

Upcoming Duties:

Please check if you are listed below for the next few weeks:

5th July: Jim / Jovian

19th July: Jean (Supernova)

2nd August: White Tiger

As a reminder, per our updated Sailing Instructions, racing will NOT happen for any class (except IRC and Cruiser) unless a safety boat is on the water. If you cannot make your assigned date, you must arrange your own duty swap via the club WhatsApp groups and notify the Sailing Secretary or Rear Commodore Sailing.

- **Safety RIB Reminders:**

- If you are operating the club RIBs, please adhere strictly to these rules:
- There must **always** be both a helm and a crew member on a safety RIB.
- Helms **must** be Club members and hold a valid **RYA PB2** accreditation. Crew must also be Club members.
- Buoyancy aids or life jackets **must** be worn at all times when afloat.
- Check the craft's fuel levels *before* leaving the harbour and upon return. Always replace used tanks with full ones at the end of a duty.
- Notify the sailing committee (Michael Currie / Amy Roberts) of any faults on the ribs by email (rearcommodoresailing@rtyc.org / sailing@rtyc.org)

CHAMPIONSHIP VOLUNTEERS Are still needed for the Fireball UK Nationals & Fireball Worlds 2026

July 22nd – July 31st

We are still seeking Beach Team volunteer and rib crews for these Events, if you can help in any way with 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](#)



Saturday 6th July

Great sailing by everyone yesterday, lots of people really stretching themselves.

Shout out to Fin and Harry for first time in a Tera by themselves. Vera and Elsie for their first sail together. Welcome to Lola and Theo and Elsie, welcome back Jack.

Rory and Kaiden for taking novice sailors under their wing.

Biggest shout out to all the adult helpers ashore and on the RIBs making the confidence boosting sailing possible for the kids.

Watch the WhatsApp Group for details about this Saturday's session.



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/>

Reminders:

Contact the editor:

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