



Spring, Summer, Autumn, Bank holiday and Brass monkey series.

Easter egg race, Mens tankard, Ladies Bowl, Catamaran class, Matthew Pollard memorial,
Laurie Lester, RNLI, Airbourne.

Vice Commodore, Cecil Bale, Cock 'o' bay pursuit races

Pevensey Bay Sailing Club

2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

Please refer to Sailing instructions

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online by the 1st April 2026. These will be posted on the club website, found here: <https://www.pbsc.org.uk/sailing/club-racing/>

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The official noticeboard will be online at <https://www.pbsc.org.uk/sailing/club-racing/> Any amendments to the sailing instructions shall be posted there with a date stamp. There will not be any changes to the sailing instructions once a series or trophy has begun.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Club racing is open to all monohull dinghies and catamarans. Keelboats and yachts are not permitted without prior approval from the sailing committee.

4.2 Racing is open to all full club members and signed in guests.

4.3 All boats shall be given a handicap using the current years RYA Portsmouth yardstick, a Converted SCHRS to PY number or the closest historical PY in that order. If none can be found or the boat is modified so far outside of class rules it can no longer be sailed to the correct PY it shall request a handicap from the sailing committee.

4.4 Applications may be made to the sailing committee to have a PY changed if it is felt that it is outdated or wrong. Such examples of this would be new classes, or ones without sufficient data to have updated the PY in a long time.

4.5 [DP] Changing of boat to one of the same class is permitted during a long series with prior approval from the sailing committee.

4.6 [DP] All competitors are required to register their intent to sail on any given day by filling out the sign on sheet at the bottom of the stairs and then by signing off when back ashore.

4.7 To be eligible in the Mens Tankard and Ladies Bowl you must be of that given gender.

5. Crew limitations

5.1 [DP] The act of sailing shorthanded or with extra crew will be handled on a case-by-case basis by the protest committee on receipt of a completed valid protest form. The judgement will be made with the mindset of making racing more inclusive.

6. EVENT SERIES

6.1 Each event listed in the title constitutes its own regatta and will be scored individually. At the end of the season the average score for all helms through all regattas will be totalled and prizes given to the best average.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 The club calendar will show all scheduled regatta dates and start times.

<https://www.pbsc.org.uk/calendar/>

7.2 The afternoon start times are guides only and can be changed at the discretion of the OOD. If the need arises, they can bring forward the afternoon racing to make them back to back.

7.3 Changes to the calendar will be posted at <https://www.pbsc.org.uk/calendar/> at least 48 hours in advance of when they take effect. There may not be communication about changes made.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 [DP] Boats, sails and equipment may be inspected for Class rules compliance prior to, during, or after racing.

9. COURSES

9.1 The selection of the course is to be chosen by the OOD and published onto the course board either at the bottom of the stairs or out on the front patio.

10. SCORING

Please refer to sailing instructions

11. DATA PROTECTION

11.1 The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the racing. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the racing (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the racing and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

11.2 By participating in the event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during racing, and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

11.3 In order to manage the events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information.

12. RIGHT TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS

12.1 Competitors automatically grant Pevensey Bay Sailing Club and their sponsors without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia of other causes. 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 or omissions; (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate; (e) the 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) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances; (g) it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

14. INSURANCE

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of **£5,000,000** per incident or the equivalent.

15. PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be handed out at the end of the season at the Laying up supper. Any prizes not handed out at this presentation will be collectable by their recipient from the club.

16.2 All Trophies remain the property of Pevensey Bay sailing club and shall be returned by 1st October the following year in a clean state.

16. CANCELLATION

16.1 The final decision on whether racing will go ahead is at the sole discretion of the OOD or the Sailing committee either on the day or prior to the day. There may not be an official notice for this.

16.2 Any cancelled trophy races may be rescheduled to a later date in the season.

[DP] – Discretionary penalty

[NP] – Non-protestable

- **End of Notice of race** -