



# OSPREY Southern Area Championship and CONTENDER Open Event

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Organising Authority - Poole Yacht Club  
Poole Harbour, UK

## Notice of Race (NOR)

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Rules of the Osprey Class Association, available at <https://ospreysailing.org.uk/> apply.  
The Rules of the Contender Class Association, available at <https://contenderclass.org/index.php/contenderclass/class-rules> apply.

This Notice of Race, is available at [Osprey and Contender Open - Poole Yacht Club](#)

The Sailing Instructions for this event are available at [Osprey and Contender Open - Poole Yacht Club](#)

Poole Harbour Sail Racing Procedures, available at <https://www.phc.co.uk/leisure/activities/yacht-racing/>, apply.

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 09.00 on 2nd May 2026 at [Osprey and Contender Open - Poole Yacht Club](#)
- 2.2 The Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race will not be available in hard copy. Competitors are recommended to print their own copies, if required.

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [Osprey and Contender Open - Poole Yacht Club](#)
- 3.2 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Osprey and Contender classes. Competitors must comply with the appropriate Class Association membership requirements.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee.

- 4.3 Boats may enter the event by registering online using the online form available from the website [Osprey and Contender Open - Poole Yacht Club](#)  
Please pay by bank transfer, as per entry form.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.6 The following restriction on the number of boats applies: 60 (total of Ospreys and Contenders)

**5 FEES**

5.1 Entry fees per boat are as follows:

Class	
<i>Osprey</i>	£52
<i>Contender</i>	£52

These fees will cover two days of racing

There is a £3 penalty for late entry after 5<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**25.2 Catering:**

On Saturday and Sunday morning breakfast will be available in the restaurant from 08.30 to 10.00.

On Saturday evening, a variety of food options will be served by the Poole Yacht Club catering team.

**6 CANCELLATION**

- 6.1 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries at its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 6.2 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 6.3 If an entry is cancelled by a competitor, their entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
<i>Up to 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 12pm (noon)</i>	<i>Full refund less £5 admin charge</i>
<i>After 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 12pm (noon)</i>	
	<i>No refund</i>

## 7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

## 9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration will be managed online. However, there will be a registration desk at the following time to handle queries or possible late entries:

Date	From	To
<i>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>	<i>08:30</i>	<i>11:00</i>

- 9.2 Dates of racing:

Date	Osprey / Contender
<i>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>	Racing
<i>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>	Racing

- 9.3 Number of races:

Class	Maximum Number of Races	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day Maximum
Osprey	6	3	4
Contender	6	3	4

- 9.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race each day is:

Date	First Warning
<i>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>	12:55
<i>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>	10:25

- 9.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:55.

## 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 [DP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection .

## 12 VENUE

- 12.1 NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the event venue.
- 12.2 NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing area to the west of Brownsea Island and south of the Poole Yacht Club in what is known as the Top Triangle of Poole Harbour.

## 13 COURSES

- 13.1 The course(s) to be sailed will be as follows: triangle/sausage, or windward/leeward

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**14.1** RRS 44.1 shall apply.

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1** The scoring system in Appendix A of the RRS shall apply.

**15.2** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

**15.3** (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

**16.1** [DP] Support person vessels may be marked with a coloured flag provided by the Organising Authority.

## **18 BERTHING**

**18.1** [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

## **21 DATA PROTECTION**

**21.1** Any data you provide will be securely stored and used to run the event.

## **22 RISK STATEMENT**

**22.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 or other causes.**

## **23 INSURANCE**

**23.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **24 PRIZES**

**24.1** Prizes will be awarded to the winner of the event.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

**END OF NOTICE OF RACE**

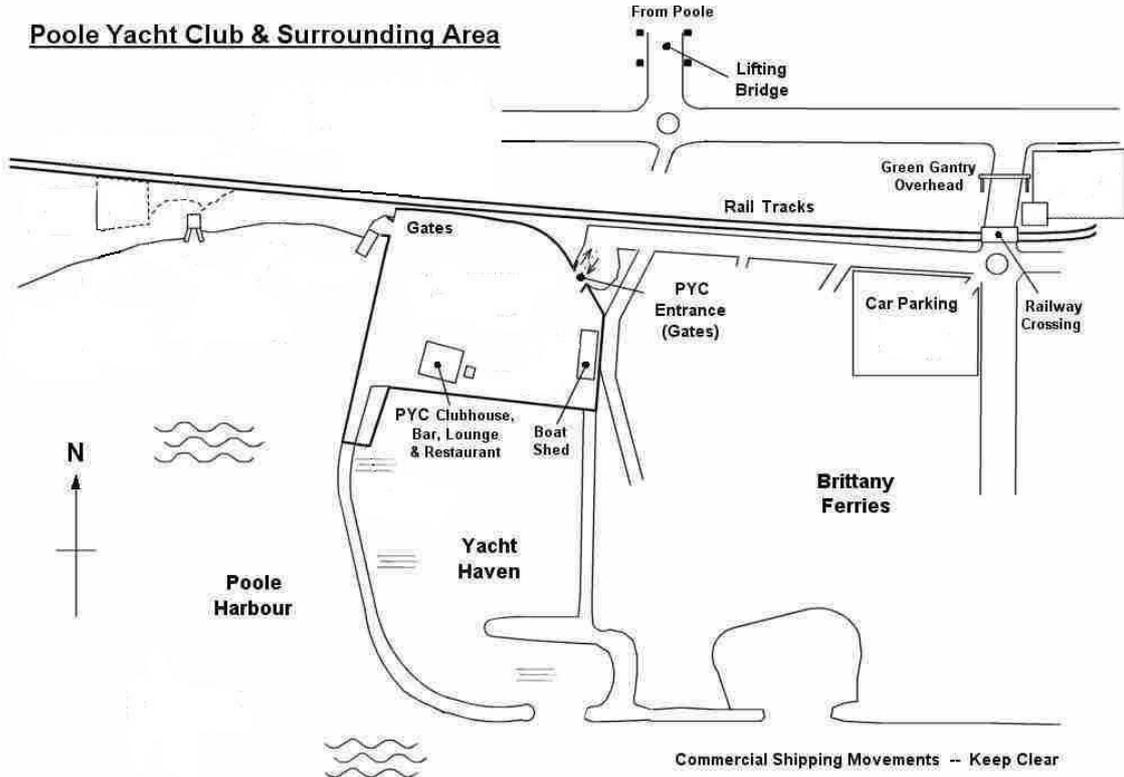
## **25 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**25.1** Further information about the Club and the area can be found on the "visitors" page of The Poole Yacht Club website <https://www.pooleyc.co.uk/>; for further information

including to book access for support craft or **overnight stays for caravan and camper vans** please contact the office at The Poole Yacht Club [01202 672687].

Addendum A

**Poole Yacht Club & Surrounding Area**



Addendum B – Race Area

