



# Thorpe Bay Yacht Club



## Notice of Race J.M. Finn & Co. Finn National Championship Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**To be held at:** Thorpe Bay Yacht Club,  
115 Thorpe Bay Gardens, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 3NW  
Telephone (01702) 587563

**1) Organising Authority:**

The Organising Authority is Thorpe Bay Yacht Club.

**2) Rules:**

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the International Finn Class and the British Finn Class Association, the Sailing Instructions and the Supplementary Sailing Instructions. Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42 will apply.

**3) Eligibility and Entry:**

The regatta is open to International Finns who are current members of the IFA. Boats may be entered by completing an entry form available from the BFA and TBYC websites, or from Allen.Burrell@Virgin.net

**4) Entry fee:**

The entry fee will be £60 for entries before 23<sup>rd</sup> June; £70 for later entries.

**5) Advertising:**

In accordance with ISAF regulation 20.3 (d) (i), boats shall display on each side of the bow while racing any advertising supplied by the event organiser at registration.

**6) Registration:**

This will take place in the race office from 1700 hrs to 2000 hrs, Thursday 3rd July and 0900hrs to 1100hrs, Friday 4th July.

**7) Briefing:**

This will take place at 1030 in the clubhouse on Friday 4th July.

**8) Schedule of Races:**

<b>Friday 4th July</b>	<b>Time of First Warning Signal</b>	<b>High Water</b>
<b>Two Races</b>	11.55am	14.13 pm

<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Time of First Warning Signal</b>	<b>High Water</b>
<b>Three Races</b>	12.25 pm	15.02 pm

<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Time of First Warning Signal</b>	<b>High Water</b>
<b>Two Races</b>	13.25pm	15.48 pm



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The Warning signal will be the Finn Class flag. The Race Committee may bring forward a race or races but there will be no more than 4 races per day. Any change to the schedule of races will be made before 19.00 on the preceding day.

## 9) Sailing area and courses.

The sailing area will be in the Thames Estuary, in Thorpe Bay, approximately 20 minutes sailing from the club. Courses sailed will be either triangle / sausage or windward/leeward courses.

## 10) Certificates:

All competing boats shall hold a valid measurement certificate, which may be required to be shown at registration.

## 11) Sailing instructions:

These will be available in the clubhouse main bar area on completion of registration or from the TBYC website.

## 12) Scoring:

Three completed races are required to constitute a series. One discard will apply if between 4 and 6 races are completed and two discards if 7 races are completed.

## 13) Safety and Disclaimer of Liability:

13.1 A competitor is responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

13.2 It is for the competitor to decide whether they are fit to sail in the conditions. By going to sea the competitor confirms they are fit and competent to sail and compete in those conditions.

13.3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the liability of the competitor nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may occur, as a result of the boat taking part in the series. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

13.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the competitor of his/her responsibilities

13.5 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims of at least £2,000,000.

## 14) Boat Parking:

Boats should be left in the TBYC boat park fronting on to Thorpe Bay Esplanade or as directed by a member of the event organising team.

## 15) Car Parking:

Cars should be parked in the Southend Corporation Car Park adjacent to the boat park – TBYC car parking stickers will be made available. No cars in the boat park please.

## 16) Food and Bar Service:

Food and drink will be available in the clubhouse every day. Menus and specials boards will be on display in the clubhouse main bar area along with the times that food will be served. There will be a Barbeque, free to competitors on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> and the Finn Championship Dinner on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July, free to competitors with extra tickets available at £15.00

## 17) Prize-giving:

This will be in the clubhouse as soon as possible after completion of racing on Sunday.

## 18) Changes to Sailing Instructions:

All changes will be posted at least two hours before the start of the race(s) affected.

Further information can be found at: [www.tbyc.org.uk](http://www.tbyc.org.uk) or [www.Finnuk.org.uk](http://www.Finnuk.org.uk) or from: Allen Burrell; [Allen.Burrell@Virgin.net](mailto:Allen.Burrell@Virgin.net) Tel 01702 293830