



THE GAC PINDAR BRITISH FINN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

5th – 7th July 2019

The Organising Authority is Brixham Yacht Club in accordance with the British Finn Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix P, the Equipment Rules of Sailing to the extent that they apply and the current class rules of the Finn Dinghy class. Competitors should note that Brixham Yacht Club has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that when entering competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found in the yellow pages at the front of the RYA rule book after 'Definitions'
- 1.2 The following Racing Rules will be changed:
 - Preamble to part 4, Rules 27.1 and 40 No display of flag Y, boats are required to wear adequate personal buoyancy except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing at all times while afloat
 - RRS28, 32.1, 32.2, 35, 62.1 and Appendix A additional definition for a shortened course and sweep back finish system
 - RRS 33 Change of the next leg of the course
 - RRS 35 additional time limits for races,
 - RRS 41(a) and 63.1 Outside assistance
 - RRS60.1(a), 62.1 and 62.2 limitations on grounds for redress
 - RRS 63.1, appendix A4 and A5, scores determined by the Race Committee
 - RRS 63.2 notice to protest and redress hearings
 - RRS 64.1 discretionary penalties less than disqualification
 - RRS 66 Time limits for requesting redress on last day of regatta
 - RRS Appendix A2, number of discards in a series
 - RRS Appendix P2.3 will not apply. Rule P2.2 will apply for second and subsequent penalties.
 - Race Signals: Meanings of AP, K & W
 - Appendices A4 & A5Full details of these changes to RRS will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. This procedure can be obtained on the RYA website.

2 ADVERTISING & BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority in accordance with World Sailing advertising code 20.4.
- 2.2 See NOR 3.2 regarding Bow Numbers

3 ELIGIBILITY & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 3.1 Helms shall be members of their National Finn Class Association. The British Championship shall be open only to members of the British Finn Association.
- 3.2 Boats shall carry the bow numbers allocated to them on entry affixed to either side of the hull forward of the mast.

3.3 Competitors are required to agree to grant the organising authority, the British Finn Association and any event sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (without attribution of competitor's name) any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the Championship, without payment.

3.4 Entries will be limited to 70 boats

4 FEES

4.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £100.00. An early entry discount will apply with a fee of £75.00 if paid on or before midnight 31 May 2019. All fees can be paid via the BFA Webcollect site <https://webcollect.org.uk/bfa/event/british-finn-championships-2019>

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration and Measurement: Will be at Brixham Yacht Club between 18:00 and 20:00 on Thursday 4th July and between 08:30 and 09:30 on Friday 5th July.

5.2 Competitor Briefing: There will be a briefing for competitors at 10.00hrs on Friday 5th July in the main clubhouse at Brixham Yacht Club.

5.3 Eight Races are scheduled.

Date	Race	1st Warning Signal	Tide Times in Brixham
Thursday 4 th July	Registration window 1 18:00 to 20:00	n/a	HW – 08:13 (4.7m) LW – 14:00 (0.6m)
Friday 5 th July	Registration window 2 08:30 to 09:30	11.55 and asap after Race 1 and 2	HW – 09:01 (4.7m) LW – 14:47 (0.9m)
	Competitors Briefing 10.00		
	Points races 1, 2 and 3		
Saturday 6 th July	Points Races 4, 5 and 6	10.55 and asap after race 4 and 5	HW – 09:48 (4.7m) LW – 15:32 (0.7m)
Sunday 7 th July	Points Races 7 and 8	10.55 and asap after race 7	HW – 10:36 (4.6m) LW – 16:17 (0.8m)
	Prize giving ASAP after Racing in BYC main club house		

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on Sunday 7th July.

5.5.1 The races schedule may be amended if the series falls behind schedule or if predicted conditions warrant it necessary, but no racing will be brought forward of the published 1st warning signal on Friday 5th July. Any changes to the sailing program will be posted by 20.00hrs on the preceding day.

5.5.2 No more than 4 races will be sailed on one day

5.6 All Times are BST.

6 MEASUREMENT

6.1 Each boat shall be able to produce a valid measurement certificate at the Championship.

6.2 A maximum of 2 masts and 2 sails shall be used during the Championship and only sails marked at registration may be used. No sail with the same number as another entered, and not being the number registered to the boat owner, shall be accepted.

6.3 Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the BFA Class Secretary.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration and may be posted on the BYC website.

8 VENUE, RACING AREA & COUSES

8.1 The venue will be Brixham Yacht Club, Overgang Road, Brixham, Devon TQ5 8AR.

8.2 The Race Area will be in Torbay. Reference Admiralty Chart 26 and will usually be in but not limited to the area as shown in Appendix 1

8.3 The courses to be sailed will be shown in the Appendix 2 and may be any of Olympic Triangle (triangle/sausage) and Windward/Leeward courses.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 ARBITRATION & EXONERATION PENALTY

9.1.1 See SI 19.11

9.2. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

9.2.1 Assistance in getting back aboard the boat is added as RRS 41(e) to the assistance permitted under RRS 41, This changes RRS 41.

10 SCORING

10.1 Eight races are scheduled. Three races shall be completed to constitute a valid championship series.

10.2.1 When 4 races or less have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.2.2 When 5 or more races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 SUBSTITUTION OF EQUIPMENT

11.1 Substitution or damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed without the approval of the race committee (RC). Requests shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

12 BERTHING / BOAT STORAGE

12.1 A Dinghy park will be established at the bottom of Brixham yacht Club adjacent to the slipway accessed via Oxen Cove Car Park. Boats shall stay within the assigned dinghy park area and road trailers either removed or the boat must be kept on the road trailer. Only one space is available per boat, see NOR 12.2.

12.2 Double stacking or large trailers will be required to be moved off site, an offsite trailer storage site will be provided by the Organising Authority (OA), off site storage will be charged at £15 per trailer. Details of trailer storage will be issued before July 4th.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

13.1 Support boats shall comply with the relevant part of Sailing Instructions.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Perpetual prizes for National Championships:

- First place of the overall results (Gold Cup)
- First Grand Master
- First Grand Grand Master
- First Legend - Till/Torrence Trophy

15.2 Prizes for individual races and categories may be awarded as per programme.

15.3 For age categories, all ages are taken from Friday 5th July 2019.

16 RISK STATEMENT

16.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

16.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. 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 at this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information provided for the venue or event and to attend the competitors briefing held for this event
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy to be able to face conditions that they may incur, that their crew is sufficient in experience and fitness to withstand such weather

INSPECTIONS

The fact the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor in this Notice of Race

17 INSURANCE

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

18 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 18.1 See NOR 3.3.

19 DATA PROTECTION

- 19.1 In order to manage the event, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NOR 3.3) will comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations that came into effect in May 2018.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Brixham Yacht Club, Overgang, Brixham, Devon. TQ5 8AR
Tel: +44 (0)1803 853332.

Email Event sailing-manager@brixhamyachtclub.com

Club website: www.brixhamyachtclub.com

UK Finn Class website <http://finnuk.org.uk/>

End of Notice of Race

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

EVENT INFORMATION

- 1 The Regatta Office will be the 'Holman Room' an outside office on the harbour side of The Club, near the top of the steps from the main clubhouse to the dinghy compound.
- 2 The Regatta Office will be open from 09:00 until the expiry of Protest Time Limit each day (unless extended by the race committee) on Friday 5th – Sunday 7th July.
- 3 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is in the window area of the Regatta Office.
- 4 While every effort will be made to ensure the Brixham Yacht Club and Finn class web sites have current and accurate information this cannot be guaranteed. Official information and amendments to the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions as well as results and protest information will be posted on this Notice Board.

BRIXHAM HARBOUR

All competitors should be aware that Brixham is a commercial working port and regard should be given to commercial craft including ferries and fishing vessels.

MEMBERSHIP AND LIABILITY

All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) during the event and as such shall abide by all The Club's rules and bye-laws. Members of the BFA, their guests and visitors are welcome to use The Club premises and any other facilities of The Club but do so entirely at their own risk.

PARKING AND CAMPER VANS AT BYC

Brixham Yacht Club regrets that the members' car parks' on Overgang Road are not available for competitors' car parking. Daily car parking is available in the Council Oxen Cove pay and display car park adjacent to the BYC dinghy compound. Weekly Parking permits are available for this car park and any other Brixham and Torbay off road Car Park through the Tourist Information Office in Brixham which is in 'Ula' gift shop on the Quay. Tel 0844 474223. Mobile homes/camper vans **may not** be used for sleeping overnight on the BYC premises, or the immediate vicinity which includes the adjacent council car park (unless permission for parking Camper vans in Council Car parks has been granted by Torbay Parking).

DOGS AT BYC

Well behaved dogs are welcome at BYC but are not permitted in the main club house (except guide dogs). Owners are responsible for the behaviour (and clearing up) of dogs while on the premises or vicinity of BYC.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

A full social programme is being arranged and details will be available on the Brixham Yacht Club and Class Championship websites. It is intended that light bites will be provided immediately upon returning ashore after sailing each day. Snacks and drinks to be taken afloat are available daily in The Club house. Evening meals will be available in the main clubhouse.

ACTIVITIES

There are plenty of external activities to entertain both adults and children in the area with plenty of beaches as well as an extensive range of attractions in the Torbay area. Details of some of these activities will be available on the Brixham Yacht Club and class championship websites.

ACCOMMODATION

There is plenty of accommodation in and around Brixham including camping ranging from tent, caravan and motor home pitches, static caravans, bed and breakfast, small hotels and holiday lets. The link below is not the only source of accommodation but it may be useful.

<http://www.brixhamyachtclub.com/ashore/local-accommodation>



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Please Print

Sail numberHelm (Given and Family name)

Please tick one of each row below

Standard Race Finn

Classic with Carbon

Classic Finn

U23

Open

Master

Grand Master

Great Grand Master

Legend

Contact Details

Address		
	Postcode	
Email		
Emergency contact		Name
Sailing Club		

This declaration must be signed

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. In particular, I have read the section of the Notice of Race covering the risk statement and agree to the statements contained in it.

The information you provide in this form will be used solely for dealing with you as a member of the BFA or by BYC. The BFA and BYC have Data Protection Policies. Your data will be stored and used in accordance with these policies. It will be destroyed when the event is completed, unless the law requires it to be further retained (e.g. for accounts). Please raise any queries concerning this policy with the Hon Sec of the BFA. The Policy details how personal data is processed to enable the BFA and The Club to perform its contracts with members concerning training etc. Data is retained for the legitimate interests of the BFA and BYC in operating a Finn sailing event.

The BFA or the Club may arrange for photographs or videos of racing and other activities, these may be published on the BFA or Club website or social media. If you consent to you/your child's image being used by the Club in this way, then please tick here.

SignedNameDate of birth (if under 18).....

Entry Fee: £75.00 on or before May 31 2019 or £100 thereafter .

Please enter via the BFA WebCollect page on the BFA <http://finnuk.org.uk/membership/>.

Parent or Guardian Declarations (Required if the helm is under 18)

Under Law, this helm is my dependent and I accept the safety section of the Notice of Race and agree to the statements contained within it. I confirm that my dependent is competent to take part and I am responsible for my dependent throughout the event. During the time my dependent is afloat I will be around Brixham Yacht Club or I will inform the Race Officer in writing who is acting in loco parentis in my absence.

Signed Name

Address