



Forth Corinthian Yacht Club  
**BELL ROCK TROPHY 2016**  
INCORPORATING  
**FORTH FEEDER RACE**  
TO  
RTYC East Coast Week 2016 (ECW16)

**Saturday 2 July 2016**



GENERAL INFORMATION  
AND  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### RACE FORMAT

The race will be run in two divisions as defined by FYCA FIG Division 1 and Division 2.

ECW16 Forth Feeder Race Prizes will be awarded to yachts that have entered ECW16 for each Division.

Yachts not participating in ECW16 can compete for the FCYC Bell Rock Trophy.

The FCYC Bell Rock Trophy will be awarded to the Yacht with the best corrected time overall from both divisions.

### RACE TIMING and PASSAGE PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Leith Tides BST

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup>: HW 13:34 [5.3m] LW 19:50 [1.1m]

Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>: HW 02:04 [5.4m] LW 08:15 [0.9m] HW 14:29 [5.5m] LW 20:45 [0.9m]

Race Start Times have been set to (a) give Mid Forth yachts reasonable time to get to the Start Line on the day and (b) allowing the fleet to leave the Forth on an ebb tide. Upper and Lower Forth Yachts are welcome to berth over Friday night at Granton.

Given a fair wind our fleet should have a very good chance of finishing at the mouth of the Tay for a favourable tide from approx.2000 to 0200 BST for passage to Broughty Ferry.

### AFTER the RACE

If you are not staying for ECW16 have a pleasant cruise home!

If you have entered ECW16, proceed up the Tay, bearing in mind tidal conditions, at your own discretion.

If you arrive off RTYC up to 2200 BST call **Royal Tay 10** on Channel 37 (M1) for berthing instructions when passing Broughty Castle. RTYC will have a launch on duty in the mooring area to assist you in finding your allocated mooring.

If you arrive off RTYC after 2200 BST pick up any free mooring and be prepared to relocate the following morning when instructed by RTYC

**Royal Tay 10** on Channel 37 (M1) and RTYC launch will be back on duty approx. 0800 BST Sunday morning.

### GENERAL INFORMATION STATUS

These notes are for general information only and do not form part of the following Sailing Instructions.

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1.0 ENTRY

- 1.1 Entry is open to all Yachts belonging to or chartered by a Member of a FYCA Affiliated Yacht Club.  
1.2 All Yachts must have a current FYCA Handicap to be eligible for entry.  
1.3 Any Yacht intending to Race must notify, by e-mail, [fjmartin@aol.com](mailto:fjmartin@aol.com) giving:

**(A) Yacht Name**

**(B) Skipper's Name**

**(C) Contact e-mail address**

**(D) Contact mobile phone number**

by **1200 BST Friday 1<sup>ST</sup> July** to qualify for entry.

An e-mail acknowledging receipt of entry will be sent in return.

- 1.4 Submission of an **e-mail entry** as detailed above will be regarded by FCYC as acceptance, by the entrant, of the terms set out in these Sailing Instructions  
1.5 There is no Entry Fee required for this event.

### 2.0 RULES

- 2.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 and the prescriptions of the RYA & FYCA FIG Series shall apply.  
2.2 FYCA Yacht Safety Regulations, Cat 4 shall apply.  
2.3 Yachts competing are required to be registered with the Coastguard by Form CG66 which can be completed on line.

### 3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS and or CHANGES to SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any Notice to Competitors and Changes to Sailing Instructions will be sent to the Entrant's registered **e-mail address** and **by text to registered mobile phone** no later than one hour before the scheduled earliest start time. No other method of communicating with competitors, ie posting of written notices or use of signal flags ashore, will be used.  
3.2 From approximately one hour pre-start, until start of formal starting sequence for each class, competing yachts should keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 37 ( M1 ) for any safety or berthing information that may be given from time to time by the Race Committee.

### 4.0 HANDICAPS

- 4.1 Current FYCA Handicaps will be used to calculate overall results.  
4.2 Restricted Sail Allowance is not applicable to this event.

### 5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACE

- | Date            | Class                  | Flag      | Start Time   |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Saturday 2 July | Division 2 ( > = 975 ) | Numeral 2 | 11:00:00 BST |
| Saturday 2 July | Division 1 ( < 975 )   | Numeral 1 | 12:00:00 BST |
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal is 5 minutes before the Start Time of each class.

### 6.0 THE COURSE

- 6.1 **START LINE between**  
**FCYC Race Mark - Q** [ 55.59.2 00.N 03.12.899.W (UNLIT) ]  
**main mast of Committee Boat** [ lying approx 100 metres to east of mark Q ] **> South to North**
- 6.2 **MARKS of THE COURSE**  
**Leith Approach Buoy** [ 55.59.950.N 03.11.510.W ( Fl.R.3s ) ] **leave to Starboard**  
**North Carr Cardinal Buoy** [ 56.18.054.N 02.32.929.W ( Q.(3) 10s ) ] **leave to Port**  
**Bell Rock** [ 56.26.063.N 02.23.218.W ( Fl.5s.28m.18M ) ] **leave to Port**  
**Tay Fairway Buoy** [ 56.28.302.N 02.36.594.W ( L.Fl.10s ) ] **leave to Port**
- 6.3 **FINISH LINE between**  
**Starboard Tay Middle Buoy** [ 56.28.080. N 02.38.240.W ( G. Fl.(3) 18s ) ]  
**Port Tay Middle Buoy** [ 56.27.650. N 02.38.210.W ( R. Fl (2) 12s ) ] **> East to West**

- 6.4 Mark co-ordinates and light characteristics are given for general information only and it remains each skipper's responsibility to check for any recent changes or errors.

## 7.0 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The dredged channel between the entrance to Leith Docks and the Leith Approach Buoy is designated as an obstruction and any yacht crossing this transit line should retire or may otherwise be disqualified.

## 8.0 TIME LIMITS

- 8.1 The Initial Time Limit for each Division is 0800 BST Sunday 3 July  
8.2 If any yacht finishes before the Initial Time Limit the time limit for all yachts in the same Division only will be extended to the Absolute Time Limit.  
8.3 The Absolute Time Limit if extended for any individual Division is 1400 BST Sunday 3 July

## 9.0 FINISHING DATA - DECLARATION

- 9.1 The exact Start Time for each Division will be recorded from GPS time by Race Officer  
Each skipper must ensure that times taken at Transit Marks and the Finish Line are exact times taken from a GPS or a radio corrected clock or a watch set to exact BST, eliminating the need for variable ships clock times to be relied upon for adjusting and calculating results.

- 9.2 All Yachts **must submit the following Finishing Information by 1700 BST Sunday 3 July.**

Finishing Information received after that time will not be accepted.

by E-MAIL to - [fjhmartin@aol.com](mailto:fjhmartin@aol.com)

or TEXT to - 07917 366 146

No need to use a Declaration Form and to keep e-mails or texts short simply use the following **2 letter references (shown in red)** before giving the required Finishing Information

Please enter times in standard 24 hr clock format BST ie 19:23:47

(Yacht Name ) YN .....

( Time transit due east of North Carr Cardinal Buoy crossed ) NC.....

( Time transit due east of Bell Rock Light crossed ) BR.....

( Finish Line Time) FT.....

An e-mail or text will be sent by return acknowledging receipt of Finishing Data

- 9.3 Although you do not need to initially submit details of yachts ahead and astern, please keep a record in your Ships Log, if you can clearly identify them when you cross designated Transits and the Finish Line. The Race Officer may ask you for these further details at a later date if any anomalies appear in times submitted that these observations may help to resolve.

## 10.0 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 10.1 Protest forms are available to download at: <http://www.sailing.org/protests&hearings.php>

- 10.2 For each class the Protest Time Limit is 1700 BST Sunday 3 July

The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

- 10.2 Completed protest forms should be sent by e-mail to: [fjhmartin@aol.com](mailto:fjhmartin@aol.com)

- 10.3 Interested parties and parties named as witnesses will be notified within 7 days of the Protest Time Limit of the time and place a hearing will be held

- 10.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee will be given to interested parties under rule 61.1(b).

## 11.0 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 11.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Sailing Instructions.

## 12.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1 All Yachts should keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 16 during the course of the race.

### **13.0 RESULTS & PRIZES**

- 13.1 FYCA, Div. 1 and Div. 2 Results will be calculated separately for each Division
- 13.2 If no yacht in any separate Division finishes within the Initial Time Limit, the Race Committee may give results for that Division based on times taken at Transit Marks.
- 13.3 ECW16 Feeder Race Prizes will be awarded, based on separate Div. 1 & 2 results, on the following basis per Division: - 1 prize for 2 entries, 2 prizes for 3 - 5 entries and 3 prizes for more than 5 entries.
- 13.4 If both Divisions complete the full course, the FCYC Bell Rock Trophy will be awarded to the first yacht, on combined Div 1 & 2, best overall, corrected time basis.
- If one Division finishes the full course and the other does not, the Bell Rock Trophy will be awarded to the first yacht on best corrected time basis in the Division that finished the full course.
- If no Division completes the full course, the Bell Rock Trophy may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee on combined Div 1 & 2, best overall, corrected time, based on times taken at a Transit Mark.

### **14.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participating in this event do so entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to or during or after the event.

### **15.0 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

### **16.0 GENERAL INFORMATION**

For further information contact –  
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or Mobile – 07917 366 146

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