



Otter Week
Corinthian Otters
Royal Corinthian Yacht Club
26th to 31st July 2026
Burnham on Crouch Essex

Notice of Race (NoR)

Parents and guardians are reminded that they always retain full responsibility for the conduct and safety of their children and wards. The Corinthian Otters' Flag Officers and members are not able to provide supervision, exercise control, or assume any duties in loco parentis.

In addition, during Otter Week, the Corinthian Otters accept no responsibility for individuals who are not participating in racing activities.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Crouch Harbour Authority Byelaws available at the CHA website applies.

- 1.3** If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.
- 1.4** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable instructions from an event official.
- 1.5** Rule 40.1 Personal Flotation Devices shall always apply whilst afloat and on the pontoon.
- 1.6** Competitors automatically grant to the organising Authority, without payment, the rights in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live taped or filmed television of, or relating to, this event.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The sailing instructions will be available on or before 18th July at the RCYC website. <https://www.royalcorinthian.co.uk/otter-week-2026/>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The official notice board is in the Otter Room.
- 3.2** [DP] While racing, 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 Corinthian Otters and visitors, 18 or under, on 31.12.2026
- 4.2** The event is open to all boats of the following classes:
Optimists, Toppers, Tera, Cadet, Feva, RS200, 29er and Lasers.
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4.3

Class	Handicap	Handicap Range
Optimist Class	Race Fleet, Regatta Fleet	1635
Slow Handicap	Cadet, Topper, Tera Pro Tera Sport	1359 -1445
Fast Handicap	29er, RS200, RS Feva,	903 - 1248
Lasers ILCA	ILCA 4.6.7.	1101 - 1210

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 on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Otter Committee. An additional fee of £20.00

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FEES

5.1

Entry fee: **£190 Juniors / £200 Seniors** for all Otter week activities

5.2

Other fees: Late fee plus £20.00

Social events see Otter website [About the Corinthian Otters - Royal Corinthian Yacht Club](#)

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CREW LIMITATIONS n/a

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ADVERTISING n/a

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QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES n/a

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SCHEDULE

9.1

Registration:

Date	From	To
25.07.2026	17:00	19:00
26.07.2026	8:30	10:30

9.2 Dates of racing:

Date	All Classes
26.07.2026	racing
27.07.2026	racing
28.07.2026	racing
29.07.2026	racing
30.07.2026	racing
31.07.2026	racing

The number of races:

Class	Number of races	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day Maximum
<i>Optimist</i>	12	2	3
<i>Slow Handicap</i>	12	2	3
<i>Fast Handicap</i>	12	2	3
<i>Laser ILCA</i>	12	2	3

9.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on 26.07.2026 is 11:55. The first warning signal for the remaining days will be at 10:15

9.5 A daily briefing will be held outside at the East End of the Clubhouse near the crane.

10:45 am – Sat 26th July

09:15 am – 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st

9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 13:00h

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Each boat shall produce or verify when requested, the existence of a valid measurement certificate.

10.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT n/a

12 VENUE

12.1 Royal Corinthian Yacht Club, The Quay, Burnham on Crouch Essex CM0 8AX

12.2 Rivers Crouch and Roach

13 COURSES

13.1 The courses to be sailed will vary and will be advised at the daily briefing.

13.2 The marks that will be used will be advised at the daily briefing.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

15 SCORING

15.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When Five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her one worst score.

15.3 When eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her two worst scores.

15.4 When twelve races or more have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her three worst scores.

15.5 The long-distance race is part of the series and is a non-discardable race.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall be marked with Support

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS n/a

18 BERTHING n/a

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

20 RISK STATEMENT

20.1 Rule 3 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.' 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 this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

21 INSURANCE

21.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 3 million UK pounds per incident or the equivalent.

22 PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be given at the prize-giving dinner at RCYC

Prizes see NoR Appendix 1

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

23.1

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NoR Appendix 1**Otter week 2026****OPTIMIST POND GROUP**

Best All-Rounder
 Endeavour
 Endeavour
 Team Spirit
 Team Spirit
 Capsizing

Do Not sail with the main fleet

President's Cup Discretionary
 Corinthian Otters Tankard Discretionary
 Pewter Goblet Discretionary
 Otter Pup Cup Discretionary
 Rachel's Otter Discretionary
 Tiny Pewter Goblet Discretionary

OPTIMIST RIVER 1

1st
 2nd
 3rd
 Endeavour
 1st Long Distance Race
 Upwind Sailing Prize

Do Not sail with the main fleet (fun racing)

Chip's Cup Discretionary
 Alex's Cup Discretionary
 Otter Optimist Silver Cup Discretionary
 Yellow Group Plaque Team Spirit Discretionary
 Edwards Cup Long Distance
 HRSC 1959 Pewter Tankard Discretionary

OPTIMIST REGATTA FLEET

1st
 2nd
 3rd
 Endeavour
 Most Improved
 Youngest Long Distance
 1st Long Distance

Main Fleet

George's Shield OW Series 12 race series
 Andrew's Shield OW Series 12 race series
 Kate's Shield OW Series 12 race series
 Silver Cup Discretionary
 Small Silver Cup Discretionary
 Half Pint Silver Tankard Discretionary
 Silver Cup Long Distance Non-discardable

OPTIMIST RACE FLEET

1st
 2nd
 3rd
 1st Long Distance

Main Fleet

Fairways Cup OW Series 12 race series
 Hughes Trophy OW Series 12 race series
 Otter Salver OW Series 12 race series
 Shadow Trophy Long Distance Non-discardable

TERA FLEET

1st
 2nd
 3rd
 Endeavour
 Most Improved
 1st Long Distance

Main Fleet

Boat OW Series 12 race series
 Boat OW Series 12 race series
 Corinthian Otters Tera Salver OW Series 12 race series
 Glassware Discretionary
 Glassware Discretionary
 KYC Kieler Woche 1967 Long Distance Non-discardable

FEVA FLEET

1st
 2nd
 3rd
 1st Long Distance

Main Fleet

Christo Rose Bowl OW Series 12 race series
 Glassware OW Series 12 race series
 Glassware OW Series 12 race series
 Harden Trophy Long Distance Non-discardable

Endeavour	Duncan's Otter	Discretionary	
CADETS	Main Fleet		
1st	Otter Cadet Trophy	OW Series	12 race series
2nd	Jeremy's Cup	OW Series	12 race series
Youngest Helm	Petticrows' Propeller	Discretionary	
Youngest Crew	Caroline's Cup	Discretionary	
1 st Long Distance	The Hardy Trophy	Long Distance	Non-discardable
LASERS	Main Fleet		
1st Radial	Sparks Trophy	OW Series	12 race series
2nd Radial	Otter Week Point Laser Tankard	OW Series	12 race series
3rd Radial	KSS Laser Runner-up Trophy	OW Series	12 race series
1 st 4.7	Golden Cup	OW Series	12 race series
2 nd 4.7	Laser Tall Half Pint Tankard	OW Series	12 race series
3 rd 4.7	Corinthian Otter Tankard	OW Series	12 race series
1 st Radial Long Distance	Tom's Trophy	Long Distance	Non-discardable
1 st 4.7 Long Distance	Roy Mitchell Tankard	Long Distance	Non-discardable
RS200	Main Fleet		
1 st	420 1 st Helm Cup	OW Series	12 race series
2 nd	420 1 st Crew Cup	OW Series	12 race series
1 st Long Distance	Dominica's Goblet	Long Distance	Non-discardable
COMMODORE'S CUP CHALLENGE (rowing competition)			
1st Junior	Pewter Tankard	Discretionary	
1st Senior Girl	Merlin Rockets Trophy	Discretionary	
1st Senior Boy	Red Star Flag Bowl	Discretionary	
1st Lady	Silver Flower Encrusted Bowl	Discretionary	
1st Gentleman	BCYC Tankard 1960	Discretionary	
Youngest Entrant	Chairman's Cup 1st	Discretionary	
INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES			
Best cared for Junior Boat	Terry Trophy	Discretionary	
Best Cared for Senior Boat	Commodore's Cup	Discretionary	
Youngest OW Sailor	Anniversary Trophy	Discretionary	
Oldest OW Sailor	Ship in Bottle	Discretionary	
Otter Week Spirit	Dabchicks Shield	Discretionary	
Mum to All	Otter Family Ornament	Discretionary	
Fancy Dress	President's Otter	Discretionary	