

# SAVILLS- KIP- REGATTA -2015

9th & 10th- May

Kip Marina, -Inverkip, -Scotland

Organising Authority

Royal -Western- Yacht -Club

## SAILING -INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the IRC, CYCA and Portsmouth Yardstick handicap requirements and Notice of Race all as modified by the Sailing Instructions. This alters RRS 63.7.
- 1.2 RRS 55 and RRS 77 are changed in that the penalty for a breach of these rules will be decided by the Protest Committee

### 2 NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Regatta Office, which is situated close to the entrance to Kip Marina Main Reception office.
- 2.2 The Race Committee will be using VHF radio CH77 and will make announcements to competitors concerning the racing. Should CH77 be busy or otherwise unusable, CH37 will be used instead.

### 3 AMENDMENTS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions, numbered L1, L2, etc. will be indicated on the flagstaff at the Regatta Office by flying Code flag L over a numeral pennant for the total number of amendments. They will also be indicated afloat by the Principal Committee Vessel flying Code flags A over L over the numeral pennant for the total number of changes, from 09.00 until the time signals described in SI 5.7.
- 3.2 Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 09.00 on the day they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the Regatta Office.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 Racing will take place on 9th and 10th May as follows:-

<u>Start</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Handicap Bands</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
<b>Group 1</b>			
A	IRC Handicap Class 1	TCC 1.040 and above	Pennant 1
B	IRC Handicap Class 2	TCC 1.000 – 1.039	Pennant 2
C	One-Design including:	PN 825 - 1040 Flag G	
	- Cork 1720	PN 828	
	- Etchells	PN 880	
	- Sonar	PN 940	
	- VXOnes	PN	
D	IRC Handicap Class 3	TCC 0.850 – 0.999	Pennant 3
	CYCA Handicap Class 3	Up to 17.50 min/hour	Pennant 3
	Sigma 33 OOD		Pennant 3
E	CYCA Handicap Class 4	17.51 – 21.25 min/hour	Pennant 4
	National Sonata		Pennant 4
<b>Group 2</b>			
F	CYCA Restricted Sail Class	20.00 min/hour and below	Pennant 0

- 5.2 Any yachts in IRC Handicap Class 3 and Sigma 33 OOD, which have valid CYCA handicaps, will be included in CYCA Class 3 for prizes. Sigma 33 OOD yachts which have valid IRC handicaps will be included in IRC Handicap Class 3. Similarly, National Sonatas will be included in CYCA Class 4 for prizes.
- 5.3 Classes may be altered, amalgamated or divided at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.4 No request by a yacht wishing to race in a class other than in which it has entered will be accepted after 09.00 on 9th May.

- 5.5 Yachts competing in IRC Handicap classes 1,2 & 3 shall have a valid IRC Rating and yachts competing in CYCA Handicap Classes 3, 4 & Restricted Sail shall have a valid CYCA handicap, in date and issued to that yacht and the current owner.
- 5.6 From its warning signal until it has finished racing, each IRC and CYCA yacht shall display on its backstay the distinguishing flag for its class. The minimum sizes of code flags shall be 25cm x 38cm and pennants 15cm x 45cm.
- 5.7 In alteration of RRS 26, there will be a Time Gun on both days at 10.30 and the scheduled time for the Warning signal for the first race each day is 10.35. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the finish of the previous race; but the starting sequence of classes will not necessarily be in the same order.

#### **Group 1 classes**

- 5.8 A maximum of three races may be sailed on Saturday and two on Sunday. International Code Flag E will be flown at the end of each race if another race is to take place that day. The Warning signal for the next race will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race. To alert yachts that a further race will begin soon, Flag E will be lowered with a sound signal five minutes before the Warning signal for the start of the next race.
- 5.9 Where a second or third race is to be held, the Race Officer may decide to alter the starting order in which case code Flag R will be flown at the time of lowering Flag E and will remain hoisted for the duration of the starts of that race.

#### **Group 2 class**

- 5.10 One race will be sailed on Saturday and one race on Sunday.

### **6 RACING AREA**

- 6.1 Racing will be held on Firth of Clyde in the area bounded by Great Cumbrae Island, Cowal, Inverclyde and Kilcreggan shores. The start line may be up to 5 miles from the entrance to Kip Marina and its location will be broadcast on VHF from 09.30 each day.

### **7 THE COURSES**

#### **Group 1 classes**

- 7.1 A Windward – Leeward course, or, a Windward – Leeward – Triangle course may be set. In the event of extreme circumstances, a Fixed Mark course may be set.
- 7.2 The committee vessel will display on a board course letter W, for a Windward – Leeward course, or, letter T, for a Windward – Leeward – Triangle course, or, letter F, for a Fixed Mark course.
- 7.3 The diagrams in Addendum A show the W & T courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be rounded, and side on which marks are to be left.

#### **Group 2 class**

- 7.4 The first leg of the course will be to the Windward mark W as shown in diagrams in Addendum A Group 1 Classes; thereafter the course will be around Course Marks as shown in Addendum A finishing off Kip Marina.
- 7.5 The committee vessel will display on a board course letter A, B, C or D for the course to be sailed. Addendum A shows these alternative courses, the order in which marks are to be rounded, and side on which marks are to be left. The list of marks with number, description, and position is included in Addendum B.

#### **All classes**

- 7.6 No later than the Warning signal, the race committee vessel may display the approximate compass bearing of the first mark.
- 7.7 In the event of adverse weather conditions, or, as determined by the Race Officer, Group 1 Classes will sail courses for Group 2 as shown in SI 7.5. This will be announced on VHF and the Letter F on a board will be displayed.

### **8 MARKS**

- 8.1 The Windward (W), Gybe 1 (G1), Gybe 2 (G2), Leeward 1 (L1) and Leeward 2 (L2) will be temporary orange or yellow inflatable Buoys. The Spreader mark, when laid, will be a black buoy. The starting marks will be black buoys.
- 8.2 The description, position, latitude and longitude of fixed marks are shown in Addendum B.

### **9 THE START**

- 9.1 Prior to the Warning signal of its first class start each day, each yacht shall identify itself to the race committee by passing, with its mainsail hoisted, the side of the principal committee vessel away from the start line.
- 9.2 In alteration of RRS 26, races shall be started by using the following signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes before Starting signal
Time	Flag E removed (before 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> series of races)	1 gun	10
Warning	Class Flag displayed	1 gun	5
One-minute		1 long sound	1
Starting Class Flag removed		1 gun	0

The Preparatory signal P will be hoisted with the Warning signal for the first class in any race and will remain displayed throughout the starting sequence. It will be applicable to any class whose Warning signal is displayed.

Succeeding races will start at 5 minute intervals with the warning signal displayed at the time of the starting signal for the preceding race.

- 9.3 After a general recall, preparatory signals I, Z, Z with I, or black flag may be used in place of P for the re-start and will be displayed at the Warning signal with the class flag.
- 9.4 The starting line will be between the two starting marks laid to leeward of mark L1.
- 9.5 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races and shall keep clear of the finishing line after finishing.
- 9.6 A yacht crossing the start line more than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS Appendix A4 and A5.

## 10 LONE YACHT AT THE START

- 10.1 In the event of only one yacht in any class appearing at the start line, no race will take place for that class and no points will be awarded. See SI 5.3.

## 11 LATE ARRIVAL

- 11.1 A yacht arriving late in the vicinity of the starting line may remain under power or tow after the warning signal for its class provided that, after stopping its engine or casting off the tow, it completes a Two-Turns Penalty on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions. A yacht affected by this does not need to comply with SI 9.1.

## 12 RECALLS AND GENERAL RECALLS

- 12.1 The Race Committee will endeavour to announce individual recall numbers on VHF. Failure to broadcast a yacht's recall number will not be grounds for redress.
- 12.2 In alteration of RRS 30.3, sail numbers for yachts that have broken this rule will not be displayed but shall be broadcast on VHF. It is the responsibility of competitors to monitor VHF for all starts when RRS 30.3 is in force
- 12.3 In alteration of RRS 29.2, a General Recall will NOT interrupt the normal starting sequence.
- 12.4 For the starting sequence under SI 9.2 the new warning signal for the class that had the General Recall will be the starting signal for the last class in the normal sequence.
- 12.5 If two or more classes have a general recall, subsequent starts will be at 5 minute intervals after the first recalled start using the same warning signal and order in which the classes were originally meant to start.

## 13 THE FINISH

### Group 1 classes

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between the main mast of a Committee Vessel and the windward mark except when a fixed mark course is used under SI 7.7 in which case the finish line described in SI-13.2 will be used.

### Group 2 class

- 13.2 The finishing line will be between the main mast of a committee vessel moored to the North of the entrance channel to Kip Marina and a red pin mark.

## 14 TIME LIMITS

### Group 1 classes

- 14.1 There will be a time limit of three and a half hours for the first race each day from the first valid start. Similarly, there will be a time limit of two and a half hours for subsequent races.
- 14.2 In alteration of RRS 35, RRS Appendix A4 and A5, if one or more yachts in a class have finished before the time limit, then the time limit for all other yachts in that class will be extended by 30 minutes.
- 14.3 In alteration of RRS 35, RRS Appendix A4 and A5, if no yachts in a class have finished the complete course by the time limit but one or more yachts have completed one or more rounds, the results for these classes may be taken from the time of the yachts at the end of the last completed round. In these

circumstances, the time limit for all other yachts in classes with completed 'round' finishers will be extended by 30 minutes.

- 14.4 If any yachts are considered by the Race Officer to be still racing at the time limit, the class flags of those classes eligible to continue racing for a further 30 minutes will be hoisted with two sound signals.
- Group 2 class**
- 14.5 The Time Limit on Saturday will be 15.30 hours and on Sunday 14.30 hours.
- 14.6 In alteration of RRS35, RRS Appendix A4 and A5, if one or more yachts in the class have finished before the time limit, then the time limit for all other yachts in the class will be extended.
- 14.7 For remaining yachts considered by the Race Officer to be still racing at the time limit, the class flag will be hoisted with 2 sound signals and racing will continue for a further 60 minutes.

## **15 PROTESTS REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Yachts are to inform the Committee Vessel at the end any race by hailing or by VHF where there is the intention to protest.
- 15.2 Protest forms will be available at the regatta office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within 60 minutes after the last yacht has finished the last race of the day or racing has been abandoned for the day. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the regatta office beginning 15 minutes after the notice of hearings is posted.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform yachts under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of SI's 9.5, 17.1, 18.4, and 19.1 will not be grounds for a protest by a yacht. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered  
(a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;  
(b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.  
This changes RRS 66.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2
- 15.8 The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Rules Disputes procedures will be available and will be shown on the Official Notice Board.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 When 3 or fewer races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.2 Provisional results will be displayed at the regatta office as soon as possible after each race. As an aid to competitors, the results will carry the letters PRO against a yacht's name if a protest has been intimated by or against that yacht.
- 16.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a yacht may complete a Scoring Enquiry Form available from regatta office.

## **17 YACHT RETIRING**

- 17.1 A yacht retiring from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible to comply with the safety regulations.

## **18 OFFICIAL BOATS**

- 18.1 For purpose of identification, Committee vessels will display International Code Flag J.
- 18.2 Committee vessels may not be at anchor, and their ability to manoeuvre may be restricted. In addition to code flag J, the vessel may display the appropriate signal prescribed by the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea, rule 27(b) (ii).
- 18.3 The term committee vessel includes any dinghy, RIB or buoy attached to the main vessel.
- 18.4 **Yachts shall not come within 15 metres of any committee vessel flying flag J, unless that committee vessel is flying flag M or is acting as the end of a finishing line. Breaches of this sailing instruction will be subject to protest by the race committee under RRS 60.2(a).**

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 19.1 Except in an emergency, a yacht shall neither make radio transmissions nor use a mobile phone while racing nor receive radio or other communications not available to all yachts. This restriction extends to other electronic means of communication.

## 20 PRIZES

20.1 RWYC trophies, as follows, will be awarded to Class winners and the overall winner and these are to be held until the following year's regatta.

Overall Winner	A. W. Steven Trophy
IRC Handicap Class 1	Royal Western Cup
IRC Handicap Class 2	County of Bute Cup
IRC Handicap Class 3	Valmai Trophy
Sportboat	Kip International Regatta Trophy
Sonar	Svalen Trophy
National Sonata Class	Sonata Salver
Etchells Class	Etchells Trophy
Sigma OOD	Sigma 33 Model
CYCA Handicap Class 3	Paisley Cup
CYCA Handicap Class 4	William Bergius Cup
Restricted Sail Class	RWYC Kip Regatta Quaich

20.2 A keeper prize will be awarded to the overall winner and up to three keeper prizes, depending on the number of starters, will be awarded for each class.

20.3 When classes are amalgamated, prizes will be awarded for each merged Class provided there is more than one starter.

## 21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 In addition to the full declaration as signed on the Entry Form, competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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, during, or after the regatta.

21.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event each competitor agrees and acknowledges the Risk Statement printed on the Entry Form.

## 22 INSURANCE

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

## 23 NARROW CHANNELS AND HAZARDOUS AREA

23.1 Attention is drawn to the **International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972**. Particular attention should be taken of rule 9b, which states 'a vessel of less than 20 metres length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a Narrow Channel or Fairway'.

Admiralty Chart numbers 1994 & 1907 show the Racing Area with "Recommended Channels" shown dotted. While racing and on passage within the Firth, north of Cumbrae Head, yachts must regard the water enclosed by "Recommended Channels" as a narrow channel.

Furthermore, Clydeport Operations have decreed that any waters of the Firth where vessels, by virtue of their size, draft, speed or proximity to the land, hazards and other vessels, are unable to manoeuvre freely must be regarded as a 'Narrow Channel' within meaning of the IRPCS 9b.

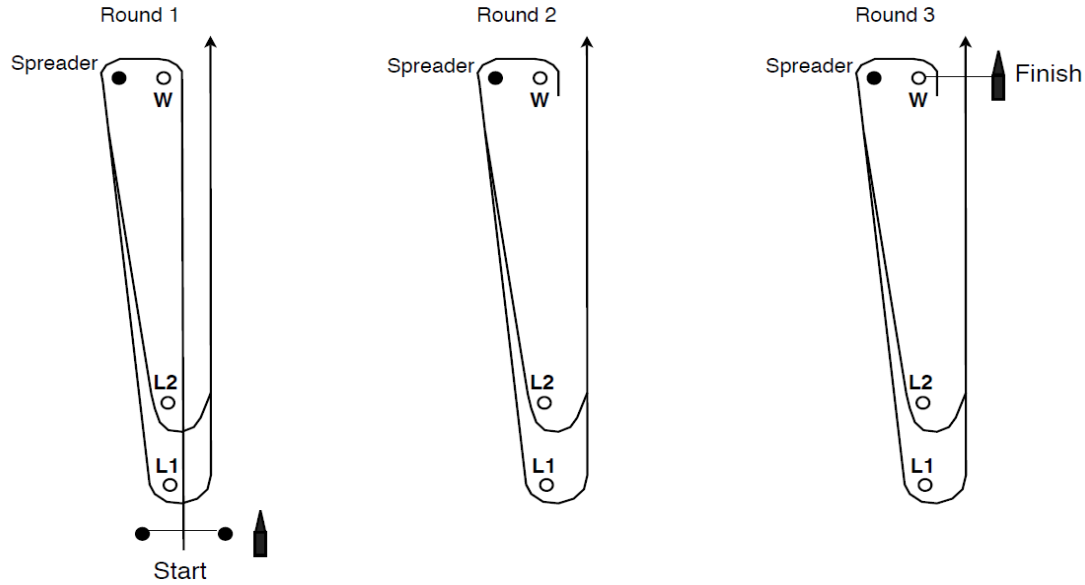
This also applies in the waters of the Queens Harbour (marked as the Southern limit of Dockyard Port of Gareloch & Loch Long on Admiralty Chart No 1994). While racing any yacht which is unable for reason of lack of wind, or any other cause, to sail clear of a large power driven vessel shall start her engine or paddle to get clear, and thereafter shall report full details to the Race Officer. In the event of the Race Committee observing that a yacht has apparently obstructed the safe passage of a large power driven vessel in channels, the Race Committee may protest against the yacht.

Competitors are reminded of the Clydeport Operations Byelaw which prohibits yachts and other craft from manoeuvring within 100 metres of any ferry terminal. Particular regard shall be paid to this when in the vicinity of the Caledonian MacBrayne and Western Ferries facilities at Wemyss Bay, Gourrock, Dunoon, McInroy's Point and Hunters Quay.

**Military Vessels** routinely transit the Race Area and are accompanied by a security escort. Yachts and support vessels should not shape a course to approach any military vessel or in any case pass closer than 200m to a warship or 400m to a surfaced submarine. High speed support vessels should not shape a course, at speed, in the direction of a military vessel. The escorting security forces, if they consider any vessel is approaching a military vessel, will intercept and warn her to keep clear. Yachts and support vessels must manoeuvre as requested by security forces.

**ADDENDUM A**  
**Group 1 Classes**

**LETTER W Windward – Leeward – Course**



The course for Starts A, B and D will be as follows:-

- Start – W – Spreader – L1 – W
- Spreader – L1 – W
- Spreader – L1 – Finish

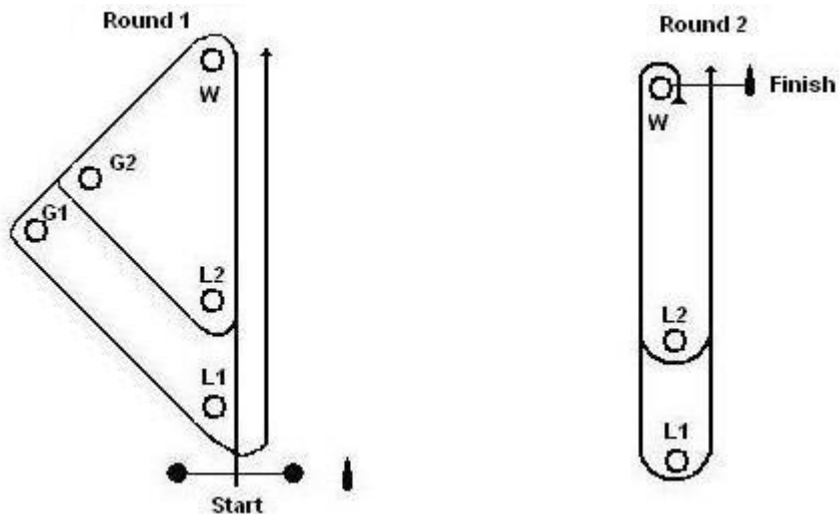
- Round 1
- Round 2
- Round 3

The course for Starts C and E will be as follows:-

- Start – W – Spreader – L2 – W
- Spreader – L2 – W
- Spreader – L2 – Finish

- Round 1
- Round 2
- Round 3

**LETTER T Windward – Leeward – Triangle – Course**



The course for Starts A, B and D will be as follows:-

- Start – W - G1 – L1 – W
- L1 – Finish

- Round 1
- Round 2

The course for Starts C and E will be as follows:-

- Start – W – G2 – L2 – W
- L2 – Finish

- Round 1
- Round 2

Angles will be approximately as shown

**ADDENDUM A**  
**Group 2 Class**

**Course A**

Start – W (P) – Spreader (P)\* – Strone (S) – RGYC (P) – CPA Kil 3 (P) – Warden Bank (P)  
– FYC B (S) – Finish. [about 17 miles]

**Course B**

Start – W (P) – Spreader (P)\* -- AND L2 (P) – Strone (S) – RGYC (P) – CPA Kil 3 (P)  
– Warden Bank (P) – FYC B (S) – Finish. [about 18 miles]

**Course C**

Start – W (P) – Spreader (P)\* – Skelmorlie Bank (S) – Toward Bank (P) – CPA I (P)  
– CPA M (S) – FYC B (S) – Finish. [about 16 miles]

**Course D**

Start – W (P) – Spreader (P)\* -- AND L2 (P) – Skelmorlie Bank (S) – Toward Bank (P)  
– CPA I (P)-- CPA M (S) – FYC B (S) – Finish. [about 17 miles]

NOTE \* The Spreader mark is only a mark on the course if laid as for a Windward – Leeward race with letter W displayed (see above).

**ADDENDUM B - LIST OF FIXED MARKS**

<b>No</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Position</b>
1	CPA KIL 3	Green conical CPA buoy KIL 3	55.59.2 N, 4.51.4 W
2	Strone	S cardinal buoy off Strone Point	55.58.7 N, 4.53.8 W
3	RGYC	Orange racing mark N of RGYC clubhouse	55.57.4 N, 4.50.2 W
4	Warden Bank	Green conical CPA buoy	55.55.8 N, 4.54.6 W
5	FYC B	Yellow FYC Racing mark N of Kip Marina entrance	55.55.3 N, 4.53.1 W
6	CPA M	Green conical CPA buoy M Skelmorlie Channel	55.52.7 N, 4.54.3 W
7	Skelmorlie Bank	Green conical CPA buoy No 32	55.51.7 N, 4.55.9 W
8	Toward Bank	Green conical CPA buoy No 35	55.51.0 N, 5.00.0 W
9	CPA I	Green conical CPA buoy I Skelmorlie Channel	55.50.3 N, 4.54.3 W

**ADDENDUM C  
OTHER MATTERS**

**BERTHAGE**

Kip Marina is offering a special VAT included rate for participants i.e. for the weekend - £25, or for Saturday night only - £15.

Sportsboats arriving on road trailers can be craned in and out at Kip free of charge, or launched at the beach slip on the South side of the Marina entrance.

Please contact Kip Marina direct to book crane and/or space.

Tel: 01475 521485

**CATERING**

Breakfast is available in Café Riva beside the Marina Reception over the weekend. Café Riva will provide lunch packs to owners, who pre order, and this can be done through website [www.caferivakip.co.uk](http://www.caferivakip.co.uk) or email [alinardini@hotmail.com](mailto:alinardini@hotmail.com) - Cost £4.90. Orders should be made at least 48 hours prior or by special arrangement direct.

**SOCIAL EVENTS**

Saturday, 9th May

20.00 – 01.00

Live music with “Raggle Taggle Gypsies”

Sunday, 10th May

As soon as possible after finish of last race.

Prizegiving with Drinks Reception at The Chartroom.

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