PROUD SPONSORS OF THE OLDEST SAILING EVENT IN THE CHANNEL ISLANDS

Organising Authority (OA): Gorey Regatta Association

Friday 19th to Sunday 21st June 2026

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

1. **RULES -** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028* (RRS).

2. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**
   3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at www.goreyregatta.org;
   3.2. The Race Committee (call sign 'Race Committee') will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors in the cruiser/racer, dayboat and sport catamaran classes on the working channel, VHF Channel 8 or such other channel as the Race Committee advises. Non reception of any such broadcast for whatever reason shall not provide grounds for a request for a redress hearing;
   3.3. The Race Committee will communicate with competitors in all other classes through the Beach Officer or guard boats. Non reception of any such message for whatever reason shall not provide grounds for a request for a request for a redress hearing ;
   3.4. The Race Office is located at Gorey Harbour pierhead.

4. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** will be displayed at the Race Office.

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**
   5.1. Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st June – racing for all classes as indicated in Schedule 1;
   5.2. For all classes, the start times for any second and third races are provisional and subject to change.

6. **CLASS FLAGS -** class flags (warning signals) will be displayed from the Race Office as indicated in Schedule 1.

7. **RACING AREA** - except for coastal races between Gorey and St Helier on Saturday 20th June, the racing area will be within the Royal Bay of Grouville.

8. **COURSES**
   8.1. Courses will comprise a combination of laid and fixed marks as indicated in Appendix 1;
   8.2. Course numbers will be displayed on a 'hymn' board on the pierhead with the mark identification numbers to be read from left to right;
   8.3. The background colour of a number will indicate the side on which the relevant mark is to be passed or rounded; green means 'pass or round the indicated mark to starboard'; red means 'pass or round the indicated mark to port';
   8.4. Courses may be shortened at any mark by a race committee boat displaying international code flag 'S' stationed adjacent to the mark. Boats shall sail between the race committee boat and the mark to finish. When a class flag is displayed with code flag 'S' the shortened course will apply to that class only;
   8.5. For the cruiser/racer, day boat and sport catamaran classes, the intention to shorten a course may be announced on the working channel.

9. **MARKS**
   9.1. The charted positions of fixed and approximate positions of laid marks are shown in Appendix 1. The positions of laid marks may vary due to tidal effects. Such variations shall not provide grounds for a claim for a redress hearing;
   9.2. Laid marks will be yellow or orange cylindrical or pyramid inflatable buoys.

10. **THE START**
   10.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the start;
   10.2. The starting line will be the transit created by two poles mounted on the pierhead. The rear pole will display a white cross and the front pole an orange triangle;
   10.3. Boats shall pass between the pierhead and an orange outer distance mark (ODM) to start. (Note: The ODM will not form part of the starting line transit);
   10.4. A boat that does not start within the five minute period following its starting signal will be scored 'Did Not Start' (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2;
   10.5. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequences for other classes [Discretionary penalty].

11. **THE FINISH** – excluding the coastal races for Classes 1, 2 & 3, the finishing line will be between a pole displaying a blue flag on the race committee finish boat at the port end of the line and an ODM at the starboard end of the line.

12. **PENALTY SYSTEM** - for the Dayboat and Sport catamaran classes, RRS44.1 is changed in that the Two-turns penalty will be replaced by the One-turn penalty.

13. **TIME LIMIT -** except for when code flag 'W' is displayed to an individual boat, boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4.1 and A5.

14. **HEARING REQUESTS**
   14.1. The protest time limit is thirty minutes after the last boat in the relevant class finishes the last race of the day;
   14.2. Hearing Request forms will be available from the Beach Officer and the Race Office;
   14.3. Protests and claims for redress shall be submitted on a Hearing Request form and delivered to the Beach Officer or Race Office with a fee of £5.00 within the protest time limit. (The fee will be donated to Regatta funds in the event of any claim being unsuccessful);

14.4. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the protest time limit;
14.5. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and where the hearings will be held;
14.6. Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b). Such notices will be posted no later than 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day

15. **SCORING** - the low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

16. **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
16.1. A tally system will operate for the dinghy classes. Boats not shown on the tally list or the Race Committee not otherwise advised will be scored Did Not Start (DNS), without a hearing;
16.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee, guard boat or Beach Officer at the first opportunity.

17. **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
17.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions;
17.2. When instructed by a race official a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection;
17.3. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the person-in-charge.

18. **OFFICIAL VESSELS**
18.1. The Race Committee finish boat will display a blue flag to signify that it is on station for finishing;
18.2. Guard boats and other official boats may be identified by displaying a green pennant.

19. **RESULTS AND PRIZES**
19.1. The post-race supper and prize-giving will be held at the Pembroke Pub & Country Kitchen from 1800 hours Sunday 21st June;
19.2. Perpetual trophies will be awarded as indicated in Schedule 1;
19.3. Place prizes will be awarded in each class, as follows:
- Where 2 boats are entered – first prize only
- Where 3 boats are entered – first and second prizes only
- Where 4 or more boats are entered – first, second and third prizes only

19.4. Special prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA;
19.5. The George Thomas Labey Memorial Trophy is open to entrants who will be no more than 16 years of age on Sunday 21st June. The Trophy will be awarded to the winning boat, single or double-handed, in the Norman Challenge Cup;
19.6. Perpetual trophies shall remain in Jersey.

20. **RISK STATEMENT** - RRS 3 states that 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:
20.1. 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;
20.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
20.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

20.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
20.5. 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;
20.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
20.7. 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** - each participating boat shall be insured with current third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling or the equivalent in euros) per incident; this insurance shall include racing cover.

22. **FURTHER INFORMATION**
22.1. Further information will be posted on www.goreyregatta.org and on www.facebook.com/GoreyRegattaAssociation;
22.2. For all other queries: e-mail info@goreyregatta.org.

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Schedule 1 – Race Programme - Provisional

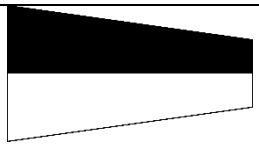
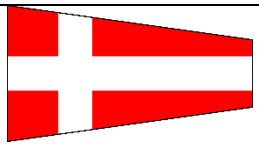
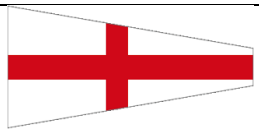
Saturday 20th June 2026

(High Water: 1117 hrs; Height 9.7m)

Cruiser Race – St Helier to Gorey

St Helier YC	Class 1 Cruisers	Troy Trophy
St Helier YC	Class 2 Cruisers	Le Riche Trophy
St Helier YC	Class 3 Cruisers	
Gorey Regatta	Classes 1 & 2 Cruisers	Stevens Centenary Challenge Cup
Gorey Regatta	Class 3 Cruisers	Betty Bruce Challenge Cup
Note: The above races will be subject St Helier YC's Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.		
Each boat shall record its finishing time and call/text to 07700 844652 or e-mail it to 'theraimbaults@gmail.com' as soon as possible after finishing at the Gorey Fairway buoy.		

First Races

Warning	Pennant/Flag		Boat	Trophy
0855	7		Fast Dinghy PY ≤ 1218	Assinder Cup
0905	6		Slow Dinghy PY > 1218	Fifth Gorey Cup
0915	4		Dayboat	Orviss Challenge Cup (Race 1 of 3) 2 out of 3 races to count
0925	8		Sport Catamaran	Trophy 1

Saturday 20th June - Second Races

(Note: 1st & 2nd races for Cruiser classes)

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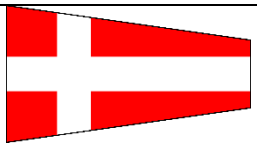
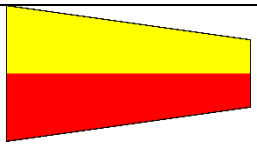
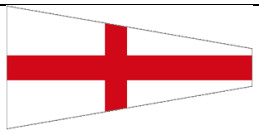
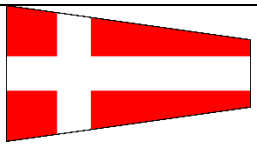
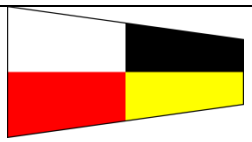
Warning	Pennant/Flag		Boat	Trophy
1015	C		Class 1 Class 2 Class 3	Glendewar Challenge Richardson Trophy Fairey Cup Horton Trophy (Race 1 of 4)
1055	4		Dayboat	Orviss Challenge Cup (Race 2 of 3) 2 out of 3 races to count
1105	7		All Dinghies	Norman Challenge Cup; George Thomas Labey Memorial Trophy for those born in or after 2004
1115	8		Sport Catamaran	Trophy 2
1145	C		Class 1 Class 2 Class 3	De Faye Memorial Le Riche Challenge C Austin Potter Horton Trophy (Race 2 of 4)
1155	4		Dayboat	Orviss Challenge Cup (Race 3 of 3) 2 out of 3 races to count
TBA by Beachmaster	9		Regatta Fleet	**Optimist Training Fleet** (Separate race course)

Cruiser Race – Gorey to St Helier

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Warning	Flag		Boat	Trophy
1255	C		Classes 1 & 2 combined.	Commodore's Cup
			Class 3	150th Anniversary Cup

Gorey to St Helier - Course
Start line: Gorey Pierhead, **then leave the following marks to starboard**
Gorey Fairway Buoy
Horn Rock
Violet Channel Buoy
Demie de Pas Light House

East Rock Buoy
Finish - St Helier YC Line

Sunday 21st June

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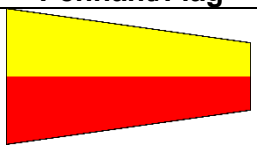
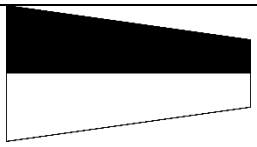
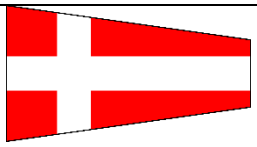
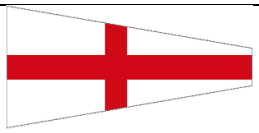
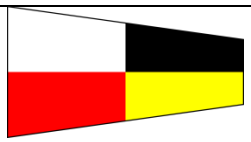
First Races

Warning	Pennant/Flag		Boat	Trophy
0955	7		Laser standard and radial All other dinghies	Fourth Gorey Cup Marmotier Trophy
1005	6		Optimist Laser 4.7 and Topper	Ecréhous Trophy (Race 1 of 2) Both races to count Rosel Bowl
1015	4		Dayboat	Frank Jeune Trophy (Race 1 of 2) Both races to count
1025	C		Cruiser Class 3	Yangtze Cup (Race 1 of 2) Horton Trophy (Race 3 of 4)
1035	8		Sport Catamaran	Trophy 3
TBA by Beachmaster	9		Regatta Fleet	Optimist Training Fleet (Separate race course)

Sunday 21ST June

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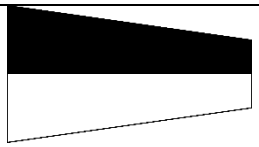
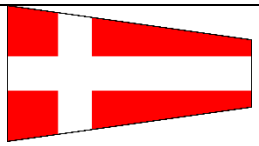
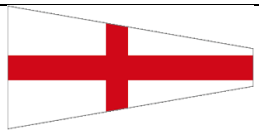
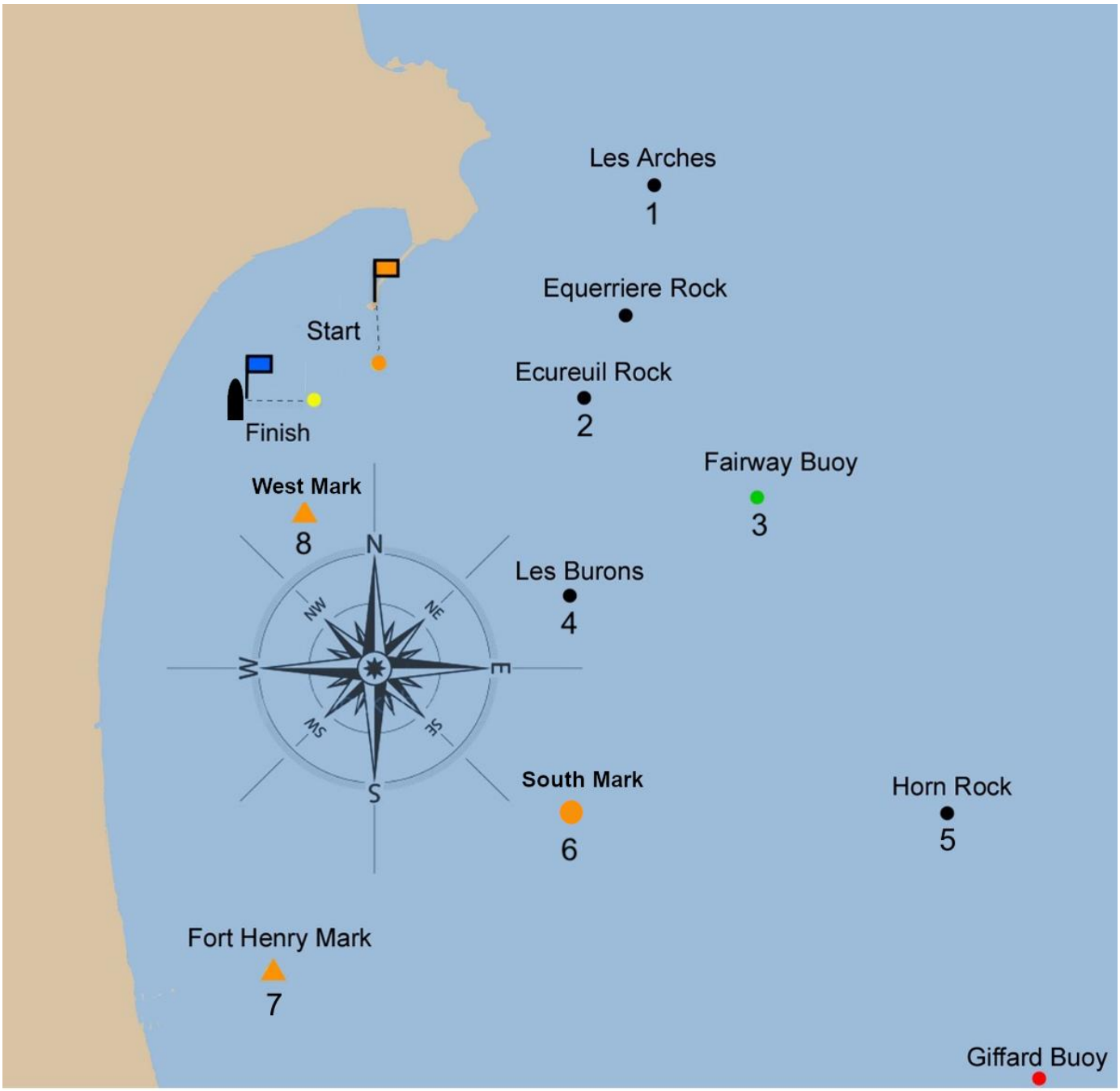
Second Races

Warning	Pennant/Flag		Boat	Trophy
1135	7		All Dinghies except Optimist	Perchard Memorial
1145	6		Optimist	Ecréhous Trophy (Race 2 of 2)
1155	4		Dayboat	Frank Jeune Trophy (Race 2 of 2)
1205	C		Cruiser Class 3	Yangtze Cup (Race 2 of 2) Horton Trophy (Race 4 of 4)
1215	8		Sport Catamaran	Trophy 4

APPENDIX 1 – COURSE CARD 2026



GOREY REGATTA RACE MARKS

Mark	Approximate position	Mark Number
Les Arches rock	49º 12.02'N 02º 00.60'W	1
Ecureuil rock	49º 11.66'N 02º 00.78'W	2
Gorey Fairway buoy	49º 11.50'N 02º 00.34'W	3
Les Burons rock	49º 11.36'N 02º 00.82'W	4
Horn rock	49º 10.97'N 01º 59.86'W	5
South Mark (laid mark)	49º 11.00N 02º 00.82'W	6
Fort Henry Mark (laid mark)	49º 10.75'N 02º 01.50'W	7
West Mark (laid mark)	49º 11.80'N 02º 01.50'W	8

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SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Friday 19th June	7.00 p.m. Captain's welcome and briefing. (Enjoy one complimentary drink per entry)	Dolphin Hotel
Saturday 20th June	4.30 p.m. Beach barbecue - Gorey Slipway	'Bring your own' barbecue food and drink
Sunday 21st June	6.00 p.m. Prize-giving & supper	Pembroke Hotel