



# Liverpool Yacht Club Tranmere Sailing Club



## Admiral Cup & SP6 Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019

On May the 19<sup>th</sup> we are holding SP6 the penultimate race in the 2019 Spring Series. This race also is a standalone race, the Admiral Cup.

### Why the Admiral Cup?

Sailing Committee wishes to support the aims and aspirations of "the kindred clubs". In the same way we encourage members to enter the Regattas held by RMYC, Wallasey YC and West Cheshire, and the Commodores Cup organised by LYC. The cup hasn't been competed for a few years and in conjunction we wish to resurrect it and encourage sailing on the river.

### What is the Admiral Cup?

Originally the cup was presented by The Admiral pub on Bedford Road East (now called the Refreshment Rooms). It is a team event with the lowest team score declared as the winner of the cup. For the Admiral Cup all boats shall be scored under the NHC (base number) handicapping system. LYC SP6 results shall be restated using current Venture OR IRC as applicable (excluding any RMYC competitors).

The race will be run by Royal Mersey and forms part of their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. It will be run from their committee boat 'Enterprise' starting in the vicinity of the Dingle buoy. The precise start time(s) are not known as it depends on what time we (LYC) can get our boats to the start line, given the constraints imposed by the lock. Based on the tidal data below I suspect we will try and schedule the start to around 11:00 but that time is not definitive. It is important that competitors make their way to the vicinity of the start line as soon as possible to avoid delays.

### Race management

RMYC are proposing that the race on the day shall comprise 3 flights. Cruisers (IRC & NHC/Venture) followed by the Etchells and Mylnes starting at 5 minute intervals. Starting shall be governed by flag and sound (gun) signals from the RMYC committee boat, and may be backed up by VHF on M1/Ch37a. The start times shall be published closer to the date. The course shall be one of the RMYC standard courses, again possible courses will be published as soon as determined and closer to the date. All flights shall be on the same course and individual lap times shall be recorded.

After locking back in RMYC wish to invite all competitors to the RMYC club house on Bedford Road East CH2 1LS for a prize giving and some form of refreshments and public bar. In order to assist RMYC in their planning I would be grateful if you could identify if your boat is planning on entering and how many people you wish to bring to RMYC afterwards.

### Results

For club results each class shall be classified separately. For LYC that means separate IRC1, IRC2 and Venture results form part of the spring series.

For the overall cup result, this shall be the lowest points score under the NHC base number.

We still have some details to work out )such as how many boats per team. Further details shall be published closer to the date.

**Entry requirements**

As this race forms part of LYC Spring Series 6. LYC competitors will be required to sign on in the marina foyer, and complete a crew sheet. There will be no race fee or day membership applicable as this is an open race run by RMYC.

**Seamanship**

Please note that there is a significant difference between the fastest and slowest boats on the water for this event. Some of the RMYC boats are not as manoeuvrable as some in the LYC fleet. RMYC have asked LYC competitors to be aware of this and take suitable seamanlike precautions when approaching other boats. If you expect to call for avoiding action by other boats do so at the earliest opportunity. It may be prudent to advise that/those boat(s) of a pending rules 'shout'. RRS shall remain in force at all times, but please respect that it can take other boats a while to respond. As ever all boats must take every precaution to avoid collisions and as the event is meant to foster better relations with RMYC take additional precaution to avoid unnecessary conflict. If the difference in speed is significant then it may be prudent to sail round the hazard rather than force the issue no matter who is in the right according to RRS.

**Tidal data:-**

HW 12:08 BST

First lock out: 10:00

Last lock In: 14:30

..As per usual LYC SI's all (LYC) racing MUST finish at least 30 minutes BEFORE the marina operators last lock time.

Competitors are advised to request the last lock in time from the lock operator on the day.

**Adverse conditions.**

If on the day it is not possible to hold the race we will make every effort to reschedule the Admirals Cup later in the year, but it may not be possible to reschedule SP6.