

The INTERNATIONAL POOLE REGATTA & IRC EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 22nd to 25th May 2026



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A Message from the Regatta President

We are really excited with just 6 months to go and we already have registration from over 100 yachts and an expectation of 175 to 200 entries over at least 15 Classes

We are hosting the **IRC European Championship** and the **IRC Southern Area Championship** alongside a number of other classes. Many have been to our regatta before but for those new to our Poole Regatta you have a lot to look forward to.

Racing Format

- IRC Europeans to be 11- race series over four days with racing scheduled in both Poole Bay and Bournemouth Bay
- IRC Southern Area Championship and all other Classes to be 8-race series over three days
- An early finish on Bank Holiday Monday to facilitate the prizegiving and return travel

Racing will be over 5 separate race areas and all racing will be managed to the highest standard by experienced race management teams, with a strong emphasis on fair competition and quality racing.

Shoreside Programme

Ashore, a full social programme will complement the racing, offered to all competitors in a relaxed and welcoming environment:

- Friday: Welcome Reception at Poole Quay Boat Haven
- Saturday: Evening Social and hospitality at Parkstone Yacht Club

- Sunday: Hospitality and entertainment at Poole Yacht Club
- Monday: Regatta Prize Giving at the Royal Motor Yacht Club, Sandbanks

Berthing Arrangements

Berthing for visiting yachts will be available at Poole Quay Boat Haven, where berths are being held exclusively for the event. When entry opens in late December you will be able to book entry and berthing online on the event website. Additional berths will also be available at Parkstone YC and Poole YC; all offered at preferential rates for competitors.

The NOR will be available in due course and entries will open over the Christmas period

We look forward to seeing you in May 2026.

To Register your Interest and for all event information, please see the [International Poole Regatta Website](#)

Andrew Pearce

President

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