

	RBYC Shield.
	2026 Squib East Coast Championship
	Royal Burnham Yacht Club
	Saturday 23 rd May & Sunday 24 th May 2026
	Burnham on Crouch Essex
	Notice of Race (NoR)
	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 NoR or Sailing Instructions (SI) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
	Preamble The Squib Class has two events in May 2026, the first is the Gold Cup on the 2nd and 3rd of May, hosted at the RCYC. The second event, the Squib East Coast Championship, is to be hosted by the Royal Burnham Yacht Club on the 23rd and 24th of May. Visiting competitors travelling from clubs other than those on the River Crouch can take advantage of leaving their boats ashore at the RCYC at no additional cost for the period between the events, inclusive of lifting in and out for the Gold cup as part of the entry fee for the Gold cup and lifting in and out for this event as part of the East coast entry fee.
1	Rules
1.1	The event is governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .
1.2	The National Squib Class rules will apply
1.3	The Crouch Harbour Authority byelaws apply, available from the Crouch Harbour Authority at the Quay, Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex, CM0 8AS and can be viewed on their website at http://crouchharbour.org.uk/byelaws/complete/ .
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.
1.7	Competitors should note the Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found on the RYA website and in the front of the RYA rule book.
1.8	[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable instruction from an event official.
2	Sailing Instructions
2.1	The sailing instructions will be available after 12:00 on 22/04/2026 at http://www.rbyc.org.uk and may be repeated on the Burnham Squib Fleet WhatsApp Groups.

3	Communications
3.1	The official notice board is located online on the RBYC Website. The Race Committee may re-post information on the Burnham Squib Fleet WhatsApp <i>Group</i> .
	[DP] Competitors shall use their Fleet WhatsApp Group. For receiving communication, registration and other administrative details where appropriate.

3.2	[DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on ch 16, 37a, 72 and 77			
3.3	On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sis.			
3.4	[DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.			
4	Eligibility and Entry			
4.1	The event is open to all boats of the Squib Class			
4.2	The event is open to all members of the National Squib Owners Association			
4.3	Classes are defined as follows: Silver, Gold			
4.4	Boats shall enter the event by registering online at: https://rbyc.uk/squib-east-coast-entry-form-2026/			
4.5	To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.			
4.6	Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: An additional £10.00 fee will be charged			
5	Entry fees			
5.1	Entry Fees for racing £65.00			
5.2	Food and drink will be available before and after racing in the club house			
6.	Crew Limitation			
6.1	No event specific criteria apply			
7	Advertising			
7.1	Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority			
8	Qualifying series and Final series			
8.1	No event specific criteria apply			
9	Schedule			
9.1	Registration online only			
9.2	Launching			
		HW	Launch Window	Eligibility
	Fri 22 nd	17.30	16.00 to 18.00 approx.	Visitors only who are arriving today all other competitors to be launched earlier in week.

9.3	Dates of Racing				
	Class	Date			
	Silver & Gold	Saturday 23 rd May		Racing	
	Silver & Gold	Sunday 24 th May		Racing	
9.4	Number of races:				
	Day	Number	Races per day Scheduled	Max races per day	Scheduled first warning signal
	Sat 23 rd	1,2,3	3	4	11:55
	Sun 24 th	4,5,6,7	4	5	10:55
9.5	The briefing will be held at 10.30 in the RBYC courtyard in the house on Saturday, 23 rd May				
9.6	Recovery				
		HW	Recovery Window	Eligibility	
	Mon 25 th	08.28	Approx. 08.00 to 0900	Visitors only leaving today	
	Tue 26 th	0933	Approx. 08.30 to 10.30	Visitors and Locals	
10.	Equipment inspection				
10.1	Each boat shall produce or verify a valid measurement certificate.				
10.2	Boats may be inspected at any time				
10.3	[DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1 (Compliance with class rules)				
11.	Clothing & Equipment				
11.1	No event-specific criteria apply				
12.	Venue				
12.1	Royal Burnham Yacht Club Burnham on Crouch with racing on the Rivers Crouch and/or Roach				
13.	Courses				
13.1	The courses to be sailed are Windward Leeward				
13.2	Marks will be inflatable buoys				
14.	Penalties				
14.1	The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.1, applies.				
15.	Scoring				
15.1	Two races are required to constitute a series.				
15.2	(a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.				
	(b) When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.				
16.	Support person vessels				

16.1	[DP] Support person vessels shall be marked Support
17.	Chartered or loaned boats
17.1	No event specific criteria apply
18.	Berthing
18.1	[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the moorings
19.	Haul out restrictions
19.1	[DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee
20.	Diving equipment and plastic pools
20.1	Keelboats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event
21.	Data Protection
21.1	Any personal information participants provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the race. If participants have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the race (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If participants are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Participants' personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, the national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the race and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
22.	Risk Statement
	<p>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.'</p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.
23.	Insurance
23.1	Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 3 million pounds sterling per incident or the equivalent.
24	Prizes
24.1	Prizes will be given on Sunday evening at the end of the event.
25.	Further information
25.1	For further information please contact: Burnham Squib Fleet event representative: Carl Anderson. Email: squib.fleet@royalcorinthian.co.uk Or the Royal Burnham Yacht Club Office The Quay, Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex CM0 8AU Email: info@rbyc.org.uk Telephone 01621 782044 Website www.rbyc.org.uk