

CICSA National Keelboat Match Racing Championship 2024 - Notes of welcome Competitors meeting - 1800 Thursday Night

Regatta Chair: Don Martin
Principal Race Officer: Michael Shepard
Chief Umpire: Jared Hickman

Welcome to RVYC. We are very proud to be the hosts for your National Keelboat Match Racing Championship. We have been working very hard to make sure that your championship will be the best ever and we hope that you enjoy sailing at RVYC.

Using RVYC

Bathroom and showers in dock building near the keelboat hoists, in between Dock + SD Office Bar and food service on the top floor - credit cards work
Lower level Star & Dragon bistro/bar - credit card work | Open for Breakfast Saturday + Sunday
Main level - Saturday night dinner - main dining room | Extra Tickets = \$35/each at check in
RVYC is a construction zone (breakwater) - stay away from FRPD barges on and off the water

Check-in details

Make sure that all of your team has World sailing ID. This is a WS Grade 3 Event.
Make sure that ALL of your team has weighed in.
Make sure you have your Damage deposit in place by filling out the form at check in
If you have damage you will likely have to increase your damage deposit
Please remember to turn your 5 flags in at the end of the Event to avoid damage deposit charges

Boats, Sails, Damage Reports

Brand new sails for this event - please treat with care
Spinnakers - the spinnaker is yours for the event and you can take it home to dry it
All gear (everything) stays on board the boat while racing - bag it and put it in the bow locker
Unused flags in keel top locker
Damage report must be filled out daily or you may be penalized [NP]. [CLICK HERE](#) for Jot Form

Flights, Results

Pairings lists will show Flights, pairings, bow numbers and line entry and have a space for results - <https://www.royalvan.com/Match>
Make sure that your sail number matches your bow number

Racing

Signals made ashore - flagpole of the water side of the clubhouse - CHECK IT - AP - stay ashore
Robo marks - starting line and Gate mark 4s
Races will last approximately 17 minutes
Take your lunch out with you - be prepared to stay on the water until 1800 Friday and Saturday

Format: RR with knockout rounds to follow details Friday morning max number of matches = 86

Communication & Signals

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to join the Event WHATSAPP CHANNEL

Online Notice Board - <https://www.royalvan.com/Match>

Make sure your VHF works. CH 67 unless otherwise advised

Be sure you know the match racing starting format including signals

The current Sail Canada Rule book has the numbers but no F flag or R flag

Make sure you know your flags and numeral pennants (Up to number 6)

R flag means "No Spinnakers"

Elliott 6M

Dave Perry Elliott 6M 'How to': <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Elliot6m.pdf>

Vang on upwind, off at windward mark

Ease pole topper and downhaul gear off when pole is stowed to avoid breaking pole - when you tack the jib sheet will pull the pole forward

Watch transom spin - these boats turn fast.

English Bay tides etc.

Tides will be light. Our tide ebbs from right to left (WEST) and floods from left to right (EAST)

The only significant current should be the morning ebb which will be max around start time and will be strongest of Saturday and Sunday. Very little current in the afternoon all days.

Winds are supposed to be light to medium

**Please put questions in writing and Don will post answers: dam242@telus.net | Regatta Chair
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