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With its origins in the Centenary Regatta for the International Rule, organised by the 6mR Class, Cowes Classics Week has grown year-on-year and evolved into an annual celebration of keelboat sailing. Boats range from 12mR to XODs and has seen continuous and successful growth with visiting boats of many classes from around Europe.

The International Tempest Class has reached its 50th Anniversary and Cowes Classics Week is a ready-made event to celebrate that milestone and bring the class into the classic keelboat community.

The underlying philosophy of Cowes Classics Week is to offer top-class racing in whatever format each class would like. And it provides a great opportunity to sail from Cowes in the iconic waters of the Solent. Cowes Classics Week also offers a great opportunity to showcase the class - we are followed by the major yachting press and the photographers are out in force.

In 2015 Cowes Classics Week is back-to-back with the Royal Yacht Squadron's Bi-Centenary Regatta, so expect some wonderful yachts to be in Cowes.



Hosted by Royal London Yacht Club www.rlyc.org.uk



The key elements of the success of this event include:

- the basic format is for 2 races/day over 4 days to give an 8 race series and may be a mix of championship or navigation courses as each class wishes to maintain a regatta ethos
- Cowes is the venue for the 2016 World Championship so by joining us for 2015, it provides an opportunity to experience the race area as well as to join in the 50th anniversary celebrations
- additional, but optional, racing is provided on Monday for separate prizes
- highly regarded race management from committee boats with five race tracks to keep each fleet in clean air and open water - only Cowes has the resources and quality of international race officers to offer this
- The Royal London YC have raided their trophy cabinet and some splendid cups are to be awarded
- a full and varied social programme with a sponsored drinks reception each evening and a supper or party in one of the Cowes yacht clubs
- tea and cakes after racing home-made by club members

To be kept up-to-date with news, please register on the web site and updated information and newsletters will be circulated as plans evolve. Or use the contact details to be found there.

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