



Your Guide to Horning Sailing Club's Regatta Week 2021

We hope that you find this guide helpful for those that are first time to Horning Week, and equally to those who have experienced a few already. If you'd like to know more information about any aspect of the week please email commodore@horning-sailing.club



WHAT IS IT?

Horning Sailing Club's Regatta Week is an annual event that takes place on Hoveton Little Broad (during Regatta Weekend), and on the River Bure outside the Clubhouse from Monday-Friday. Racing takes place from approximately 9.30am every day until around 6pm every evening, following a race schedule. There are socials each evening too providing an opportunity to catch up with friends, and make some new ones!

WHEN IS IT?

Regatta weekend is on Saturday 31st July/Sunday 1st August (on Hoveton Little Broad), and Horning Week (on the River) is from 2nd-6th August 2021.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Everyone is welcome to come down and either sail or watch what is going on – don't forget about the socials too!

CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Absolutely! There are opportunities to race during the week (to pre-book your racing please fill in the form here: https://data.horning-sailing.club/media/downloads/Horning_Week_Pre_Entry_Form_2021.pdf), and if you don't feel confident to sail yourself there will often be the possibility to crew. Otherwise, come down and soak up the atmosphere, enjoy the racing, a cup of tea and join in with the evening socials.

Of course, if you want to get involved in helping too you would be very welcome – you can volunteer to help on rescue, in the Galley, on the line or with running the evening events – please speak to a Flag Officer (Holly or Will) if you would like to get volunteering.

DO I NEED TO BE A MEMBER?

You don't need to be a member to come down or participate in Horning Week – although if you want to win the Club trophies and score points for glasses, you will need to be a member. Everyone is also welcome to the evening socials – so please bring friends and family!

Please note that you do need to be a member to participate in Regatta Weekend on the Broad.

WHAT HAPPENS EACH DAY?

Each day has a packed schedule of activities with lots to get involved in – usually from early morning until evening, with a social each night. The Club bar will be open every evening (except for Wednesday). During the week, every time you sail, your boat will be awarded “points” – which are added together over the week, and go towards the awarding of Club glasses on Friday afternoon – a tradition that dates back years!

Saturday 31st July

On Saturday racing begins on Hoveton Little Broad, starting at 2pm so if you want to sail, be at the Club by 1pm so that you do not miss the tow. There will be two races, and on returning to the Clubhouse the evening's activity will be a treasure hunt/scavenger hunt around Horning village – and you can collect your sheet from Holly or Will. You can either complete this on the evening or during the week at any point until Wednesday evening. Please ensure that children are supervised at all times.

Sunday 1st August

Sunday begins with a Church Service outside on the Island at 9.30am Sunday morning – all are welcome. Following this, racing takes place on the Broad, with the first race starting at 11am. There is one race in the morning, then we return to the Club for lunch, before racing goes back to the Broad in the afternoon for two more races.

After the conclusion of racing is the “Berry Shield” at approx. 5pm – this is a motor boat handling challenge, where individuals can have a go at making their way around a timed course, with various obstacles and tasks to complete. The Club dories will be used, and all are welcome to take part. Whilst you watch you will be able to enjoy a fresh cream tea consisting of a scone, jam and cream and tea or coffee at the Clubhouse.

Monday 2nd August

Monday is when Regatta Week begins, and we will be racing on the river all day, every day! Activity kicks off at 9.25am with the dinghy races (when the river tends to be quieter) – be down for 8.30am each day if you wish to take part, with fleet racing during the day. There will be plenty to see all day. If you're fairly new to sailing and not sure what would be the most appropriate racing to get beginners involved in, please speak to us. For younger sailors, we recommend the morning races only. On Monday morning at 10am, we will also be joined by the NSBA (Norfolk & Suffolk Boating Association) to present the Martin Broom Trophy to the Club.

After racing concludes for the day, the evening social is a Bingo and Fish & Chips. Please ensure that you have pre-ordered your fish & chips.

Tuesday 3rd August

On Tuesday, the line is run kindly run by Snowflake Sailing Club, with some special trophies on the day. Again, racing takes place from early morning until early evening.

In the evening we have our ever-popular Horning Week Quiz, with food provided by Monzu Pizza – a pizza van based in the village. Again, this will need to be pre-ordered (see menu here: https://data.horning-sailing.club/media/downloads/Monzu_Pizza_Menu_-_Tuesday_Horning_Week.png).

Wednesday 4th August

Not only will Wednesday see racing all day, but is also a charity day for this year – and we are encouraging members to dress up as their favourite fictional character to raise funds for Dystonia UK – more info here: <https://www.dystonia.org.uk/>. We have chosen this charity as a little-known cause close to our hearts, with it being a condition that our Horning Town Open Regatta President, Paul Clarke, suffers from. Please give generously, encourage friends and family to donate – and get involved in dressing up!

The evening sees a relaxed Cruise on the Southern Comfort – all welcome, pre-booking required (£7 per person).

Thursday 5th August

Thursday of Horning Week is the Horning Town Open Regatta – a tradition that dates back many years. You may also hear this referred to as “Spoons Day” – where silver plated spoons are awarded to those receiving first, second and third places during the day. This is kindly funded through a reception held by the Regatta President – Paul Clarke and his family, and donations from members and individuals invited to be Vice Presidents for the Day. You will have hopefully received a letter explaining more about this, but all are welcome to donate and join the reception – you can donate here https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/presidentsday-horningsailingclub?utm_term=p8vvrZMew or via cheque.

Following the conclusion of the day’s sailing – including one of the highlights of the week – the “Water Babies” race – where young sailors helm keelboats for the final race of the day, we are looking forward to an evening partying the night away with the Rock & Roll band “Beat Deluxe” and to enjoy a meal of paella. Pre-booking required.

Friday 6th August

As Horning Week winds down, the final day sees another full schedule of racing, and to finish the week in style we will have some water frolics, then a relaxing evening with food provided (pre-booking required) and music from a Caribbean steel band.

ARE THERE ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES TO GET INVOLVED IN?

Yes! During the week there will be arts and crafts to do, and we would like to encourage you to create a model boat (created from any household items) that can be raced during Commodore's day (date tbc)– the only rules are: No more than 1 metre in size, and only powered by the wind!

WHAT IF I DON'T WANT FOOD PROVIDED BY THE CLUB?

We hope that you will enjoy the social and food provision organised by the Club, but if this does not work for you, the BBQs will be available each evening (except for Thursday) for you to cook your own food – please clean these before and after use. Please still let us know if you intend to attend the socials so that we can plan for numbers.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

In light of the fast-moving current situation, things are a little different to usual – and we are doing all we can to keep members and guests safe. Our COVID-19 protocols will remain largely as before, meaning that one-way systems are in place to the toilets and in the Clubhouse, face coverings should be worn in the Clubhouse and toilets, and please continue to keep your distance from others. You should also still check in via the QR Code. Our updated method statement and risk assessments are available via the Downloads section of the Club website. We are also well aware that the situation can change quickly, and would ask you to bear with us if last minute changes are required.

We would also encourage attendees to **stay outside wherever possible** – and we are sourcing additional gazebos in case of inclement weather. Please note that children should be supervised **at all times**, and those aged under 14 **must** wear a buoyancy aid whilst outside on the Island.

You can book the evening entertainments and meals here https://data.horning-sailing.club/media/downloads/Horning_Week_Socials_Pre-Booking_Form_2021.pdf – we are looking forward to seeing you!

Holly (Commodore) & Will (Vice Commodore)