



NEW LAND RACE 2026

*The organising authority is the Royal Varuna Yacht Club
Saturday 14th March 2026
Pattaya, Thailand*

Notice of Race (NoR)

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.
- 1.4 Appendix T will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board (ONB) on 14th March 2026.

3 COMMUNICATION TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at the RVYC Veranda.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to RVYC members and their invited guests in the following classes.
 - Open Monohull
 - Open Multihull
 - Dart 18 / Hobie Cat 16
- 4.2 The RVYC handicap system applies to boat racing.

- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements.

- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted by the organising authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 No entry fee.

6 [NP][SP] ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

Date	Event
Saturday 14 th March	Racing

8 [NP][SP] EQUIPMENT

- 8.1 Competitors are allowed to use only one boat, centreboard, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the regatta. Substitution of damaged equipment may be made only after the race committee approves it.



9 VENUE

9.1 Racing will take place in the water immediately off the Royal Varuna Yacht Club, Na Jomtien and Bang Saray.

10 COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be a Long-distance course around the island, marks, and/or buoys. Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For the Multihull classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 SCORING

12.1 The scoring system is as follows:

- The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.
- RVYC Handicap system shall be in place using the boat's standard rig.

12.2 RVYC Handicap system in addendum 1.

13 DATA PROTECTION

13.1 Purpose and Scope

By entering and participating in this regatta, you acknowledge that the Royal Varuna Yacht Club (the "Club") and its authorised partners will be capturing visual and audio media (including but not limited to photographs, video footage, and audio recordings). In accordance with the **Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) B.E. 2562**, the Club processes this personal data for the following "Legitimate Interests":

- **Marketing & Promotion:** Use in brochures, social media, websites, and press releases.
- **Educational Purposes:** Use in sailing clinics, training materials, and historical archives.
- **Reporting: Results,** Results, editorial coverage, and club newsletters.

13.2 Condition of Entry

Granting media consent is a condition of entry to ensure the successful documentation and promotion of the sport. However, participants with exceptional circumstances may apply for a **Privacy Waiver** via the official event form prior to registration. These requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Without an approved waiver, participation remains contingent upon media consent.

13.3 Grant of Rights

By entering this event, you hereby:

- Grant the Club a perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-free license to use your likeness, name, voice, and biographical information in connection with event media.
- Waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product or advertising copy
- Release the Club from any claims for remuneration or liability regarding the use of said media.

13.4 Data Retention and Security

The Club will retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the promotional and archival purposes mentioned above. We implement appropriate technical and organisational security measures to protect your data against unauthorised access or disclosure.



13.5 Data Subject Rights

Under the PDPA, you maintain the right to access your data, request correction, or object to processing that causes disproportionate distress. Please note that once media is published in printed materials or archived in digital posts, full deletion may be technically restricted.

Contact: For inquiries, please contact the Data Protection Officer (DPO) at: generalmanager@varuna.org

14 [NP][SP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

14.1 It is mandatory for support boats to carry a VHF radio.

14.2 All support boats shall wear buoyancy aids at all times while they are afloat. The driver must wear a kill cord at all times.

14.3 The use of drones is prohibited.

14.4 From the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment, support vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing, i.e., not closer than 100 m to any boat racing, starting line and all marks.

14.5 When the race committee displays flag V with a repetitive sound, all official and support vessels shall monitor the race committee channel for search-and-rescue instructions. The race committee will announce “Flag Victor” using the designated VHF channel.

15 RISK STATEMENT

15.1 RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, equipment failures, boat-handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue, which can increase the risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

16 LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

16.1 The Organising Authority and all their officers, members, and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, or for personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the event. Competitors take part in the event at their own risk.

16.2 The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of competitors, who are solely and entirely responsible for the management of their boats before, during, and after the event.

16.3 Competitors shall maintain their boats in a safe and seaworthy condition.

16.4 A competitor shall be of good health and a competent sailor capable of racing the dinghy in open water in all conditions, including strong winds.

16.5 At-fault occurrences to other boats are the responsibility of the competitor. Competitors are not covered by any liability insurance provided by the organising authority and should provide their own coverage for personal goods and liability protection. The organising authority recommends that competitors consult their own insurance carriers to ensure they are covered at this event, and regarding additional personal liability insurance coverage

16.6 A competitor is advised to have personal accident and health insurance that cover him while attending the event and while racing.



- 16.7** To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify and hold the Host, Organising Authority, Owners, Affiliates, Officers, Employees, Agents, Members, Volunteers, Committee persons and Race officials, acting in their official capacities, harmless from any claim arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.
- 17** **PRIZES**
- 17.1** Prizes will be awarded based on the number of boats in each class.
- 18** **FURTHER INFORMATION**
- 18.1** For further information, please contact Nattawut (Oat) Vongrak. E-mail: director@varuna.org

