

The Royal Air Force Yacht Club invite you to join us at the 2025 edition of our historic annual Battle of Britain Regatta. This event has grown in popularity in recent years attracting competitors from All over the Central, Eastern, Western Solent's, Southampton Water and Chichester harbours. The regatta is open to all race crews one design, IRC and Club Handicap.

Our Shared History: This historic regatta was initiated upon the re-opening of the Club after the end of World War II and commemorates the huge effort and the fortitude of the people of Britain, of all nationalities, and the role the RAF played in that campaign, the valiant 'Few', to recognise the losses and celebrate the hope it brought for our futures.

The Regatta: is always held on the neap tide weekend closest to Sunday 15th September, which is the date seen as the turning point in the air war with the Luftwaffe, who suffered significant losses that day conceding they could not win the Battle to control our skies; the battle of the skies finally won October 1940. **The Racing:** will take place in the central Solent and Southampton Water on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th September and is open to IRC, Folkboats, XOD's, non-rated Club Class yachts and other one design classes upon request.

The Social Activities: will "take off" on Friday Lunchtime 12th September with our annual weekend long Beer Festival....... Beer and BBQ Sausages will welcome all competitors on arrival ...followed by Evening Meal in clubSaturday, while crews compete afloat families can join in with shoreside activities...After Racing Après Sail BBQ sausages and beer will greet the crews ashore followed by a prizegiving and our legendary Regatta Dinner followed by Live MusicSunday afternoon after the regatta there will be a BBQ, followed by our final prize giving of the weekend.

Height of the Battle by Robert Taylor © Military Gallery

We look forward to welcoming you all to join us at the RAFYC in September, commemorating the Battle of Britain victory with our unique regatta combining first rate racing and celebration in true RAFYC style

RCS Marc Donoghue

