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## Round the Island Race 2020



Dear Parents, Guardians, Pupils and OKS,

As we have done for the last eight years, King's has chartered three 43ft yachts for 2019, one for parents, one for OKS and one for pupils. There are berths on all three boats for a crew of 10, plus a professional yachtmaster on each boat. The Round the Island Race is the biggest yacht race in the world and within the race the three King's boats compete for the 597 trophy (597 being the year that St Augustine established the King's School Sailing Club by sailing to England to bring Christianity to these shores). So far, the parents are on two wins versus the pupils' two and OKS' three wins, plus a 2019 draw between the OKS and Pupils.

<http://www.roundtheisland.org.uk>

### The Programme

- Join the boat either on the evening of Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May or the morning of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May at Haslar Marina, Gosport
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Race training in the Solent
- Friday evening and overnight - at Cowes Yacht Haven, dinner at the Royal London Yacht Club, Cowes
- Saturday – Round The Island Race
- Evening – barbecue supper on the top balcony of the Island Sailing Club, Cowes
- Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – return yachts to Haslar Marina (by 15.00 at the latest)

**N.B. This is during the May Half Term.**

### The Charge and what it includes:

The charge of £475 per head includes yacht charter, professional yachtmaster, race entry charge, berthing at Cowes, insurance and meals in two premier Cowes Yacht Clubs on the Friday and Saturday evenings. An additional damage deposit of £160 per head is refundable after the event. Yachts and equipment are insured against fire, marine and collision risks with third party cover. The liability for damage to any sails or spars whilst the yacht is racing is limited to 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the cost of repairs.

Waterproofs can be hired at £10 per set and a sleeping bag at £10. We recommend each participant contributes to a yacht kitty to cover food / supplies on board.

If you are an interested OKS, parent or current pupil at the school please contact me ([avll@kings-school.co.uk](mailto:avll@kings-school.co.uk)) for a booking form, or find one on the trip page on evolve. **Please note:** While no sailing experience is necessary, conditions at sea can be challenging in rough weather. The race lasts for approximately 10 hours and in rough weather people can suffer from sea sickness.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annie Loveday". The signature is written in black ink and includes a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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