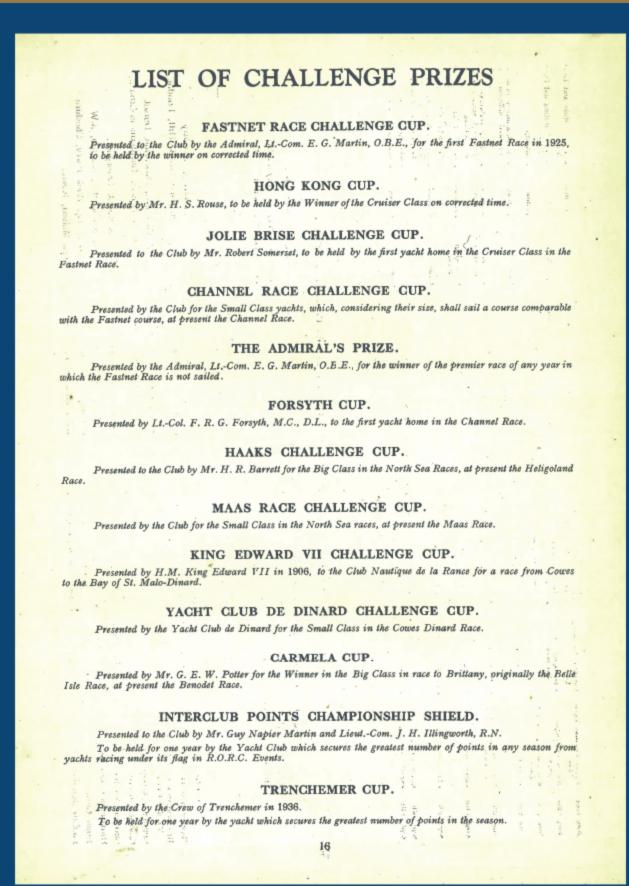


100 YEARS OF RACING 1930 - 1940

1931 - On 5th November, the Ocean Racing Club received a Royal warrant from King George V, to become the Royal Ocean Racing Club (RORC).

The Transatlantic Race was co-organised by the RORC and the Cruising Club of America and had ten starters. Line and overall honours were claimed by the 52-foot Dorade, skippered by her 23-year-old designer, Olin Stephens. Dorade also triumphed in the Fastnet Race in 1931 and 1933.

1936 - The RORC opened its inaugural clubhouse above a shop located at 2 Pall Mall, with membership reaching 475



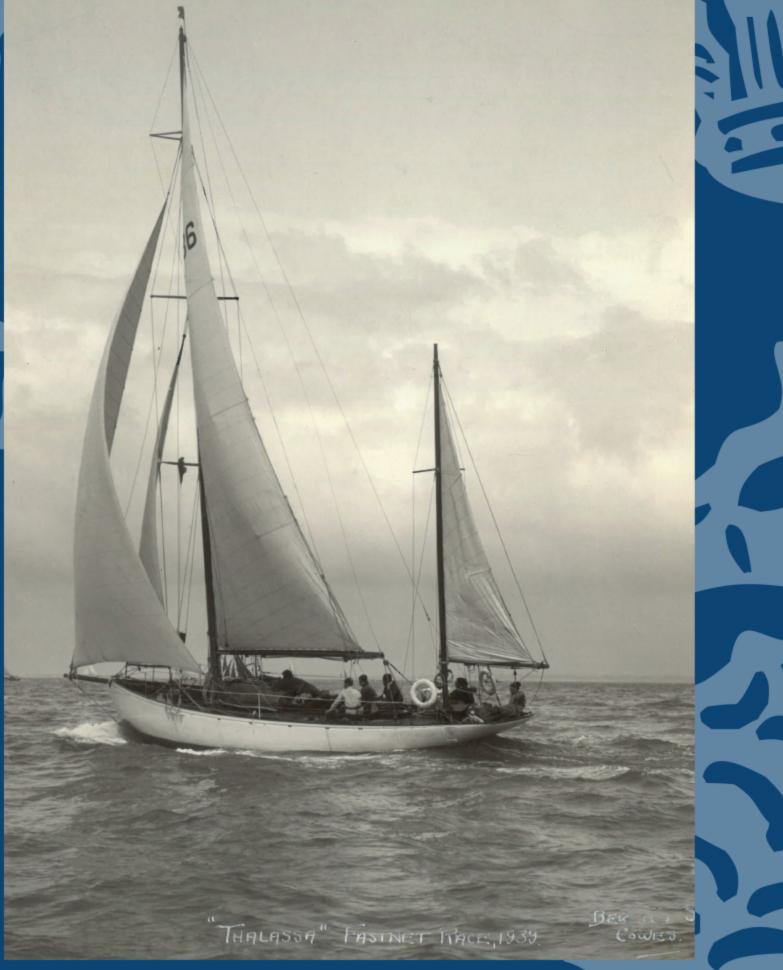
1931 S&S 52ft yawl Dorade (Fastnet winner 1931 & 1933)

1939 Cowes-Dinard Race: Notable pre-war race

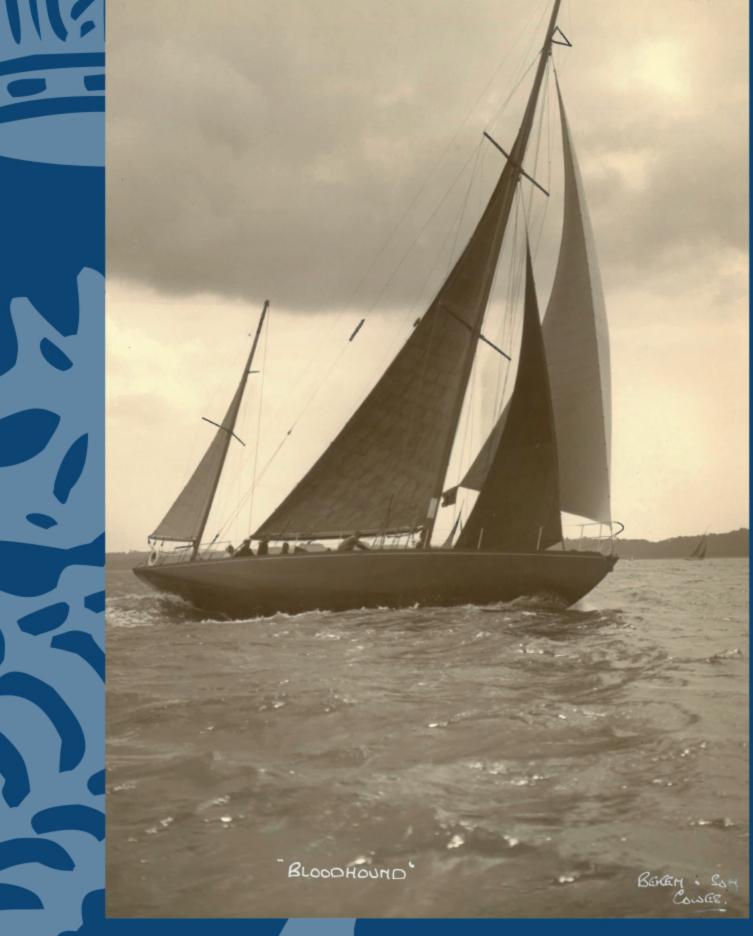
Challenge Prizes: Introduction of significant challenge prizes throughout the 1930s

Tel.: Whitehall 7132—Secretary. Whitehall 7743—Members. 2, PALL MALL PLACE, LONDON, S.W.1 ROYAL OCEAN RACING CLUB Lt.-Com. E. G. Martin, O.B.E. Commodore: Vice-Commodore: Major T. P. Rose Richards. A. Rosling, Esq. Rear-Commodore: Secretary and Treasurer: C. F. King, Esq., D.S.O., M.C R. Maclean Buckley, Esq., M.C. FIXTURES LIST.—1937. HELIGOLAND RACE. Friday, June 18th, 5 p.m., 5.15 p.m., and 5.30 p.m. . . . CORONATION RACE. Friday, July 16th, 3 p.m. DINARD RACE. Sunday, August 1st, 12 noon Monday, August 16th, 11 a.m. and 11.15 a.m. LA BAULE RACE. The Royal Ocean Racing Club was founded in 1925 with the object of fostering ocean and A candidate to be eligible for election to membership must be an amateur yachtsman who has taken part either as owner or crew in any one of the Club's ocean races, or the Dinard or Ijmuiden Races, and has completed the course. Races will be run under the Y.R.A. rules of racing and special regulations of the R.O.R.C. set Yachts will be rated by the R.O.R.C. formula: 15 - + 2 (L + \sqrt{S}) = Rating. Time Allowance will be given by applying the time correction factor $\sqrt{\text{Rating}} + z$ to elapsed time. This factor when multiplied by elapsed time gives the corrected time for any course. Example: Two yachts, A, of 36 ft. rating, and B, of 49 ft. rating, have T.C.F. of 8000 and 9000 respectively. They complete a course together in 60 hours. A has corrected time of 48 hours and beats B, with 54 hours corrected time, by 6 hours.

1937: Publication of key fixtures, official rules, and the RORC formula for racing



35ft yawl Thalassa © Beken & Sons



1939 Fastnet Winner: Bloodhound, a 67ft Nicholson Bermuda yawl © Beken & Sons



ROYAL OCEAN RACING CLUB.

3, Old Burlington Street,

LONDON, W. 1. 21st October, 1935.

Dear Sir,

Owing to the success of the races during the past season and to the rapid growth of the Club, the organisa-tion cannot be carried on in the present office, and extra cost will have to be incurred to carry out the work

It has been suggested by several members that, as other premises have to be obtained, a small club-house in a central district might be acquired, comprising offices, a club-room for members, including a few bedrooms, a library, a bar and catering.

This matter has been in the minds of some members for a long time and has been very carefully considered by the Committee and by a Sub-Committee specially formed to investigate it. They unanimously recommend the adoption of such a scheme, feeling that this is the appropriate moment for such expansion.

In view of the facilities to be given to members and the number of races offered, it is obvious that the cost of administration will be substantially increased; it is therefore proposed to raise the subscription to 21 guineas per annum, with special provision for those living abroad and cadet and service members.

In the event of these proposals being adopted at the General Meeting, certain members have already agreed to guarantee a substantial sum of money over the next three years, which should adequately cover any possible deficiency.

It is hoped that you will make a special effort to attend this meeting, but should this not be possible, would you please write your views to me.

On behalf of the Committee,

R. MACLEAN BUCKLEY, Secretary.

1935: Letter of intent for a "small club-house"

