

PLYMOUTH SAILING REGATTA 2006

This year the **Port of Plymouth Regatta** the regatta will be based in **Sutton Harbour**, in the heart of the ancient Barbican, and will combine with the **Classic Boat Rally** to produce a visual delight of contrasting boat designs. The regatta will take place from **July 22rd to 30th**, and offers competitive racing for all monohull classes of Yachts and Dinghies.

The popular format, whereby yachts and dinghies race on different days will continue, thus allowing two separate courses to be laid each day. Windward/leeward courses are offered for J80's, sports boats, keel boats and asymmetric dinghies, with a second course providing the usual sausage/triangle courses for the more traditionally designed craft. Free boat parking for dinghies and subsidized pontoon berthing for yachts can be arranged. The **main regatta racing** begins on **Sunday 23rd July** with three races for dinghies, which are followed by one race each on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The Yachts race on Thursday and Friday evenings and finish with three races on Saturday.

Three new additions have been included for 2006. The **Allspars Race for Beginners** is designed for youngsters with no previous race experience, who can enjoy a closely supervised introduction to racing. It will be based at the **Mount Batten Centre** on **Sunday 23rd July**, and racing will take place in the sheltered waters of the Cattewater. **The Marks and Spencer Long Distance Champagne Challenge** on **Saturday 22nd July** is a separate race, probably to Eddystone or another off shore mark, and is open to all sailors, including those who prefer cruising to conventional racing. The third addition for this year is a '**Champion of Champions**' race on **Sunday 30th July**, where the winners of each class of yacht and dinghy can compete against each other in identical boats

Generous sponsorship from the **Cattewater Harbour Commission, Sutton Harbour Company** and many local businesses allows a full social programme. Each evening after racing competitors can enjoy a **Happy Hour**, together with refreshments, music and the presentation of **daily prizes** in the **Mayflower Sailing Club**. Many of our sponsors also arrange displays and demonstrations. The **Thursday evening events** will be at the **Mount Batten Centre**, with music by the **Royal Dart Yacht Club Jazz Band**. The **final prizegiving** for the week, including the overall winners, will be on Saturday **29th July** in the **National Marine Aquarium**.

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