



The fourth meeting of the new ORC took place on 11.04.14 and more positive changes to benefit the sport were discussed. Collaborative working between clubs is key to the successful accomplishments embedded so far and this will continue with competitor consultation in the coming season. The ORC is the policy making sub-committee of the RYA's Powerboat Racing Committee (PBRC) and is accessible and open to provide information. Your first point of contact should be through your club delegate.

2014 NEWS

- Rule Books are available in download form now – see [PB1/2014](#) and [UIM 2014](#).
- Printed PB1s will be sent to all full National licence holders and printed UIM Books to International licensees.
- Improved communication to continue with regular updates to the [RYA Website](#) & [RYA Facebook](#) pages. Watch for further updates before the start of the season. These pages have already been updated:
 - See [Racing Calendar](#) page for UIM International & RYA National & Club racing dates
 - Race Calendar amendments: London – Ramsgate (Offshore) & Weymouth not confirmed.
 - See [Racing Rules](#) page to download/view PB1 and UIM Rules
 - See [Newsletters & Bulletins](#) to view latest racing news
 - See [Testing & Training](#) page to view latest dates for immersion and micro dive courses
- RYA Measurement Fees remain as 2013 - £75 new and £55 renewals.
- A new Chair of Race Approvals will head a core group and will draft in teams of specialists, for expertise in specific events. Major/titled events will include representation from organising clubs. Advance Programmes to be encouraged and published 28 days prior to events.
- Licences: penalties for late licence applications stipulated on [LAF 2014](#) will be strictly enforced.
- Licence upgrades from Provisional to National require 5 signatures and National to International require 3 signatures but this will be for *rounds* not *events*. Responsibility lies with competitors to obtain signatures.
- Job descriptions for Event personnel to be shared with volunteers to promote best practice.
- RYA Officials to remain active for two years, after which reassessment will be necessary.
- Framework Guidelines for initiating and ratifying new RYA Officials to be started this year and refined next.
- Date for Drivers Forum to be arranged and promulgated to competitors in a timely manner via clubs.
- The success of the Media & Marketing Workshops will be developed further, to include sponsorship seeking and capitalising on media communication for teams. Date to be arranged.

2015 PLANS

- The RAC delegate will oversee radical changes to the race approval system, benefitting clubs & competitors.
- Ratification process for new Event Officials, Trainers, Qualifications and Responsibilities established and embedded. Classroom teaching as well as practical duties to be implemented.
- RYA Awards Ceremony and collaborative powerboat clubs presence on/off water at Excel to be explored.
- Consultation process on rationalisation of Offshore classes finished by September for ratification of PB1/2015

Next Events:

RYA British National Championships	Date	Venue	Classes	Club
Round 1	April 21	Stewartby	Thundercats	M2M
Rounds 1 & 2	April 26 - 27	Sandbanks	Zapcats	Zapcats
Rounds 1 & 2	May 3 - 5	Allhallows	Offshore	AYC
Rounds 2 & 3	May 1 - 11	Watergate Bay	Thundercats	M2M
Rounds 3 & 4	May 23 -26	Torquay	Off/Zapcats	OCRDA
Round 1	May 31	Bournemouth	Superstock	P1
LMC & Rounds 1 & 2 Ultra Marathon	June 7	click to view information on Venture Cup		
World Championships	September 9	click to view information on 3A/3B WC Guernsey		
European Championships	October 1 - 5	click to view information on P750 European		

The next ORC Meeting takes place in May.