

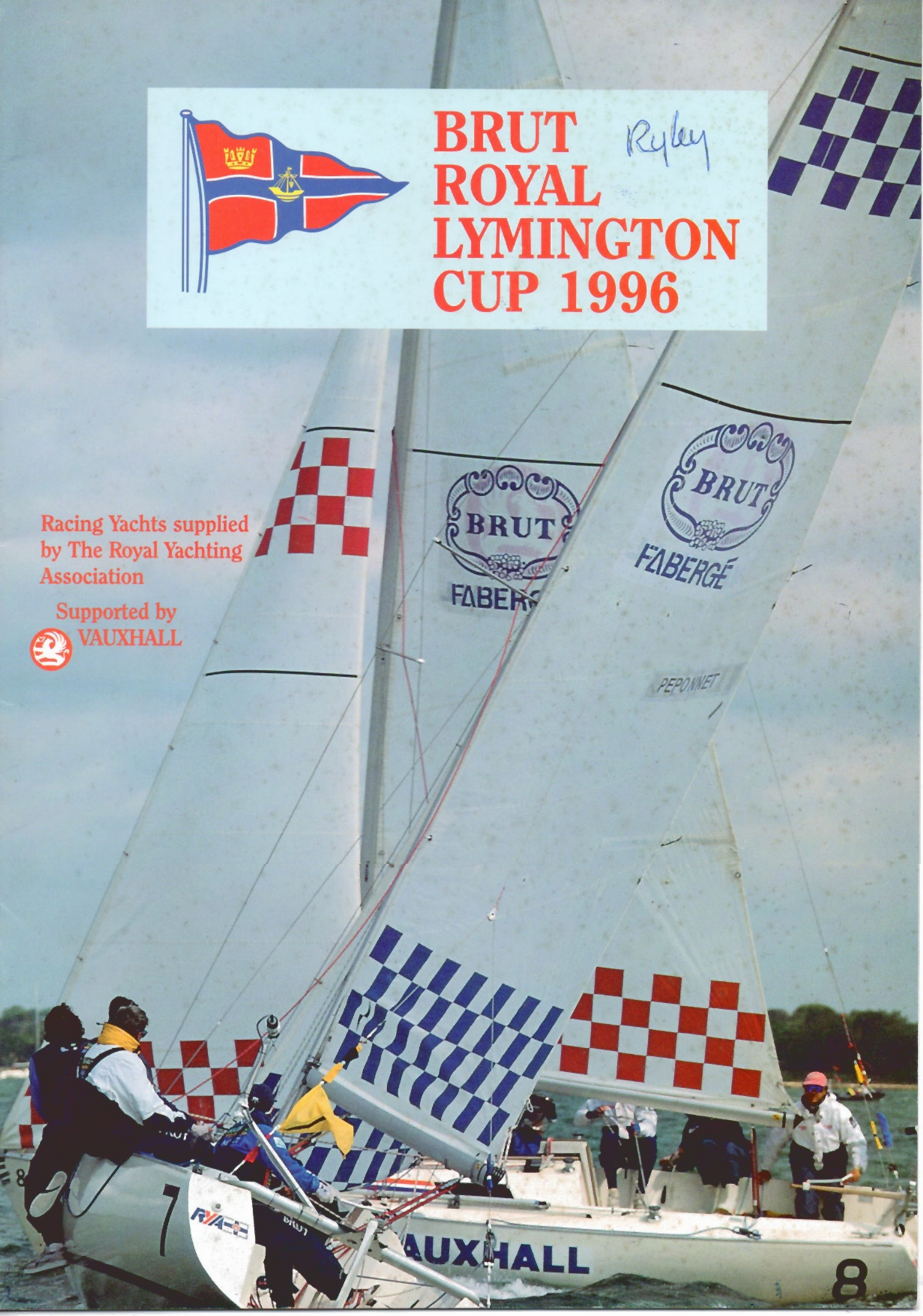


BRUT ROYAL LYMINGTON CUP 1996

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Dear Competitors, Guests and Members

Once again the Royal Lympington Yacht Club is proud to welcome leading match race skippers and crews from around the world to participate in this annual international yacht racing regatta, now in it's 22nd year. We are delighted that Brut has become our Title sponsor and that we host the first event in the 1996 Brut Sailing Series, which offers the largest monetary prize in sailing. We are also very grateful to our supporting sponsor, Vauxhall, and to Renaissance Reinsurance for their continued support. We can be sure of an exciting and high calibre event.

As always I would like to thank on behalf of the committee the many supporters in the Club for helping us to extend such a warm welcome each year to our many guests.

Welcome to Lympington - we wish all our competitors, guests, officials and helpers a great weeks racing and a most enjoyable regatta: with success to the skipper and crew that most deserves the title "Champion"

Nick Ryley - Chairman, Royal Lympington Cup



Welcome Message from Brut by Fabergé

On behalf of Brut by Fabergé it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Royal Lympington Cup. We are delighted that such a prestigious and exciting event is again part of the Brut Sailing Series.

This is the second year of the Brut Sailing Series - an international match racing programme of five regattas taking place in San Francisco, Sete in France, New York, Bermuda and of course Lympington. In addition, Brut has sponsored Team Brut comprising three international skippers Thierry Peponnet, Ed Baird and Peter Gilmour and the international match race sailor and broadcaster Gary Jobson.

Brut by Fabergé has made an extensive commitment to sailing. In addition to the world-wide programme Brut Aquatonic is sponsoring the UK Skiff Grand Prix for the second year and through this global commitment we aim to ensure that Brut will become the Essence of Sailing.

On behalf of Brut by Fabergé I wish all the skippers and their crews well in their challenge to win the Brut Royal Lympington Cup.

Dr Helmut Ganser - Chairman of Elida Fabergé - Parfums Fabergé UK



A Message from Vauxhall

Vauxhall Motors are once again delighted to be involved in the Royal Lympington Cup. Three years ago we discovered the excitement and interest generated by this top class event and now, back for the third time, we look forward to renewing acquaintances with old friends.

We are delighted to be involved again with the Royal Lympington Yacht Club and one of the most prestigious match racing series in the world which is part of the Brut by Fabergé Sailing Series.

We would like to wish all the skippers and their crews well in the challenge to win this prestigious trophy and may the best team succeed

Mike Nicholson - Manager Motorsport and Sponsorship, Vauxhall Motors



COMPETITORS PARTICIPATING IN THE ROYAL



ED BAIRD
USA RANK 1

Ed returns to Lymington, for the second time, as the recently crowned World Match Race Champion. His racing successes include World Championships in the J24 Class, Lasers and the International 50ft Class. He was coach to the victorious Team New Zealand and so can claim a share of the America's Cup. He cites golf, fishing and bicycling as his hobbies and while he's come to the right place no doubt he doesn't want any time free to pursue them during the regatta.



PETER GILMOUR
AUSTRALIA RANK 2

No stranger to Lymington "Gilly" won here in '87 and '88. He will be looking to improve on his quarter-final knockout and 5th place last year. Peter began sailing at the age of seven and now something of a veteran on the scene he contributes greatly to the sport in support of the interests of other skippers and match race crews. He lives with his wife Christine and their two small sons, David and Samuel in Sydney. When not sailing he enjoys the family life and a little skiing.

BERTRAND PACÉ
FRANCE RANK 4

A structural engineer by qualification but a professional sailor by trade Bertrand Pacé returns again to Lymington hungry for a win here. He too is a former World Champion of Match Racing but the Lymington title has eluded him thus far. A very versatile sailor he has been involved with several French America's Cup challenges, won the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup as tactician on the French Corum50, and has been the winner in the famous "Tour de France à la Voile" no less than 5 times. Could '96 be his year?



RUSSELL COUTTS
NEW ZEALAND RANK 5

Making his first appearance here in Lymington Coutts is very well known on the sailing scene. He helmed Team New Zealand to victory in the America's Cup last year and is an Olympic Gold Medalist in the Finn Class. He has won many of the Grade 1 Match Racing Events around the world and was awarded an MBE for his contribution to New Zealand yachting. He will be looking to add the Brut Royal Lymington Cup to his list.



THIERRY PEPPONNET
FRANCE RANK 7

Defending champion, runner-up in '94 and champion in 1993 Thierry is looking for his third win here at Lymington. A former Olympic Gold Medal winner at Seoul in 1988 he has also been the French National Match Race Champion. He was runner-up at the recent Congressional Cup in March so another victory here would indeed be sweet. While his home is in Sete in France Thierry spends much of the year on the Match Race circuit. What little spare time he has is spent refurbishing his classic Porsche or pursuing his love of cinema.



MARKUS WIESER
GERMANY RANK 10

A well known figure in the Flying Dutchman class he was World Champion in 1989 and '91 and is now climbing the World Match Racing Ranks steadily, having originally learned his match racing skills through the ranks of the IYRU Nations Cup events. Markus comes back to Lymington with scores to settle after a disappointing debut last year when he was knocked out 3-0 in the opening round by Stuart Childerley. Father to three young girls he also enjoys skiing in his limited free time.

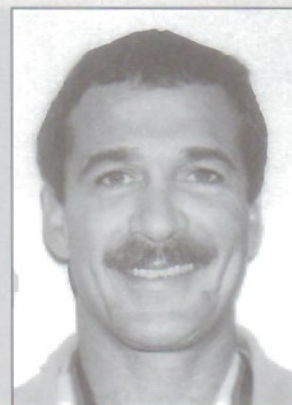
CHRIS LAW
GREAT BRITAIN RANK 12

Looking to win again after his victory here in 1994 Chris returns to the Royal Lymington Yacht Club where he is no stranger. Knocked out by the eventual winner in the quarter final stage last year he is looking to go all the way this time round. Now based in Bermuda he is a professional sailor who is at home in all yachting disciplines he has won the Fastnet and Sydney-Hobart races, is a former world champion in the Etchell Class and the Finn Class and has represented Britain at the Olympics on several occasions.



PETER HOLMBERG
US VIRGIN ISLANDS RANK 13

Olympic Silver medalist at the Korean Games in 1988 Peter makes a welcome return to Lymington, after an absence of several years. Based in St Thomas he is the Vice President of the Caribbean Yachting Association and a past Commodore of the St Thomas Yacht Club. He is no stranger to the waters of the Solent having competed in the winning USA teams for the last two Commodore's Cup events. Third at the recent Congressional Cup and climbing the Ranking List he could do very well in this regatta.



LYMINGTON CUP

Note — Ranks are from the Omega World Match Race Rankings as at 18th March 1996. The List will have been updated subsequent to this program going to press - some of the Ranks may have changed.



STUART CHILDERLEY **GREAT BRITAIN RANK 15**

Southampton based Childerley will be looking to progress further than his 6th place last year and as current Soling World Match Racing Champion he has every chance. This time last year he was ranked 30th but has climbed the List consistently by largely concentrating his efforts on the Match Racing element of his sailing career. A former British Olympic representative he is also a regular competitor in the Etchell Class and was Second at the National Championships last year in Scotland. He enjoys gardening, DIY and golf in his, admittedly limited, spare time. He is certainly one to watch.



STEN MOHR **DENMARK RANK 16**

Another newcomer to the Lymington regatta Sten has a very impressive match racing record for 1995. He won the European Championships, the Roblon Cup in Denmark and the German Infomix Cup, he also clocked up valuable Rankings points with second places at the Danish Nationals, the Marselisborg Open and the Irish Nations Cup qualifier and third at the Nations Cup Finals in San Francisco thus his rise on the List. Another who may cause a few surprises.

FREDDY MARKELIN **FINLAND RANK 27**

Newcomer to the **Brut Royal Lymington Cup** and therefore something of an unknown entity Freddy Markelin was Finnish Matchracing Champion in 1994 and currently holds the 1995 title. He was second at last years Corum Cup matchracing and third at the 1994 Nordic Matchracing Championships. He too is steadily climbing the World Ranking List and will be watched with interest.

HELENA STRANG **SWEDEN RANK 39**

Helena comes back to Lymington with a very well prepared and confident crew; they have been racing together on a regular basis and in a variety of classes. She is the top ranked woman on the IYRU Ranking List and a two times Swedish Women's Match Race Champion. She is a debt collector by profession and her hobbies include alpine and cross-country skiing and iceboat sailing.



GAVIN BRADY **NEW ZEALAND RANK 47**

Gavin comes to the **Brut Royal Lymington Cup** fresh from an impressive win at the Congressional Cup in Long Beach, USA, where he beat a field that included Peponnet, Holmberg, Law and Mohr. He is currently based in Annapolis USA from where he travels extensively, racing with different programmes and also coaching. He competed in last years America's Cup and was part of the Irish Team for the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup as well as the Mumm 36 and IMS circuits. Clearly a very good all round sailor he is now concentrating on the highly competitive match racing circuit. At just 22 he has already shaken a few of the big names.



RICHARD SYDENHAM **GREAT BRITAIN RANK 88**

The youngest skipper competing in the **Brut Royal Lymington Cup** this year Richard is just 20 years old and began sailing in the Cadet class 10 years ago. He is currently studying at Portsmouth University where he is Commodore of the Sailing Club. He also holds the title of Student Matchracing National Champion and recently notched up a sailing "first" by successfully defending his World Champion title in the Diet Coke Youth Matchracing Championships in New Zealand. The invitation to this event tells him it's time to play with the big boys.

BEN VINES **GREAT BRITAIN RANK 146**

This will be Ben's second visit to the Lymington Regatta. Last year he was drawn against Ed Baird in the opening round and was knocked out 3-0. This year he will no doubt be looking forward to the round robin format. He is a former National Match Racing Champion as well as a former youth National and World Champion. He combines his sailing with his medical studies at Southampton University where he is in his third year. He also plays rugby and scuba dives in his spare time - what spare time?



HANNAH HARWOOD **GREAT BRITAIN RANK 342**

Appearing at the **Brut Royal Lymington Cup** for the first time Hannah is the current Women's National Match Racing Champion and well known on the sailing scene. She has taken part in many of the BT match racing events and numerous fleet racing event around the world. In 1995 she represented Great Britain at the Nations Cup and in 1994 was a British representative at the IYRU Worlds.



RACING – THE CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT AND THE 1996 COURSES



The format for 1996 sees the return of the Round Robin for the opening round. The skippers are divided into two groups of 8 and each skipper will race each of the other skippers in his or her group. The top scoring 4 skippers from each group will go forward to the second round and from this point on the event becomes a knockout tournament - each pair sailing in a best-of-five match (best-of-three if weather and time dictates). This format ensures increasing tension as the competition proceeds. On the water umpiring will be used with a fleet of observer boats; originally pioneered by the Royal Lympington Yacht Club, this is now acknowledged as essential in all world class match racing regattas.

The course will have a windward start and downwind finish, with the leeward mark just to windward of the start/finish line. At times when the course may be affected by cross-tidal effects, a wing mark may be laid between the upwind and downwind legs to give a true down wind leg.

This year the permitted course area may be limited at either side by a line of marks delineating "the pitch", in order to keep the action together and to negate, as far as possible, the effect of any differential tide across the course. This will also permit the spectator fleet closer access to the course without interfering with the racing.

PENALTIES: The yachts in each match are designated either Yellow or Blue - they display their appropriate colour at their stems. When penalised the umpires display a flag of the infringing yachts colour. If penalised during the pre-start jousting the infringing yacht must cross astern of her opponent as soon as possible after starting. Should both yachts infringe the penalties are cancelled.

Penalties after the start are exonerated by the penalised yacht gybing if going to windward, and tacking with the head of the spinnaker below the main boom goose-neck if running before the wind; the penalty can be taken at any time before the finish.

PREVIOUS WINNERS

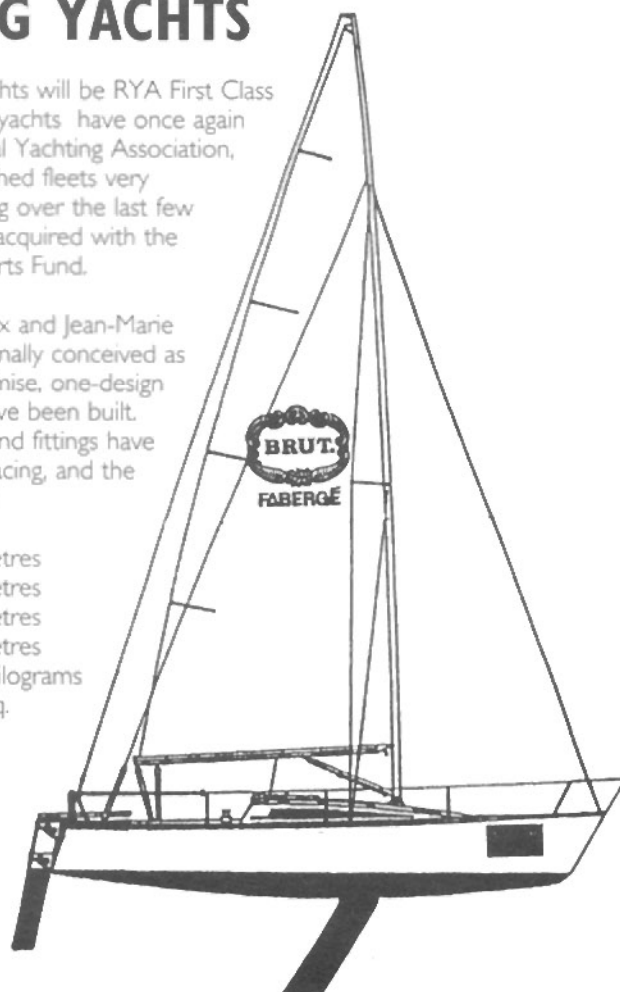
1995	Thierry Peponnet	Fra
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1992	Lawrie Smith	UK
1991	Marc Bouet	Fra
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1989	Chris Dickson	NZ
1988	Peter Gilmour	Aus
1987	Peter Gilmour	Aus
1986	Peter Isler	USA
1985	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1984	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1983	John Bertrand	Aus
1982	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1981	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1980	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1979	Dick Deaver	USA
1978	Harold Cudmore	Ire
1977	Phil Crebbin	UK
1976	Phil Crebbin	UK
1974	Peter Nicholson	UK

THE RACING YACHTS

In the 1996 regatta the yachts will be RYA First Class 8s. The 8 identical racing yachts have once again been provided by the Royal Yachting Association, who have been using matched fleets very successfully for match racing over the last few years. The RYA fleet was acquired with the support of the Lottery Sports Fund.

Designed by Jaques Fauroux and Jean-Marie Finot, the yachts were originally conceived as stable but fast, no compromise, one-design racers. Well over 1000 have been built. On these yachts the gear and fittings have been modified for match racing, and the boats race without lifelines.

Overall Length	8.50 metres
Waterline	7.10 metres
Beam	2.49 metres
Draft	1.75 metres
Displacement	1,400 Kilograms
Main	20.30 sq.
metres	





UMPIRE AND JURY TEAM

John Doerr
Chief Umpire

Great Britain

Eva Andersson	Sweden
Secundino Cigaman Guldri	Spain
Jim de Costobadie	Great Britain
Patrick Diebolt	France
Bill Edgerton	Great Britain
Charlotte Greppe	Sweden
Gordon Stredwick	Great Britain
Mike Urwin	Great Britain
Lorenz Walch	Germany

RACE COMMITTEE

Tony Blachford
Nick Ryley
Sally Potter
Michael White

RACE OFFICERS

Nick Potter	Chief Race Officer
John Dexter	
Celia Driscoll	
Mary Follett	
Mary Hutchinson	
Dominique Ryley	
Jonathan Hutchinson	



REGATTA COMMITTEE

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Else Green	Social Support
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John Doerr	Chief Umpire
Gordon Stredwick	Umpire/Jury Co-ordinator
Mike Saqui	Racing Fleet Support

Kate Shawcross	Event office support
Sue McKeag	Press and Media relations

FLAG OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

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Gordon Simpson	Treasurer

ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

Jonathan Hutchinson	R.Lym.Y.C. Secretary
Pamela Simpson	Event Co-ordinator

WE COULDN'T DO ALL



Although we receive funds through the generosity of our sponsors regattas and events of the scale and complexity of the "R.Lym. Cup" as it is known in the club do not just happen. The Club depends heavily on the skilled assistance and support of the many Club members who give their time, boats, hospitality, expertise and enthusiasm to this high level international event. Inevitably, in naming any helpers we will certainly miss others who equally deserve to be mentioned, but the Regatta Committee are particularly indebted to the following:

The Club Boatman and his staff, the Steward and the Club Caterer and their staff and all of the office staff, particularly Pam Simpson; once again, with their boats, Les Hills (Boat - Blue Ranger), Geoff and Marilyn Holmes (Boat - Mainframe), James and Derry Beattie (Boat - Squander III), Lord Montagu / Ken Robinson (Boats - Cygnet of Beaulieu and Snipe), Hazel Cail (Boat - Haden), and the owners of the other motor boats that are made available to call upon. Our friends at Lymington Town Sailing Club for their help and assistance. Also the owners of the large fleet of RIBs that have been made available, with and without their owners in charge, to make the on-the-water arrangements possible.

We are also indebted to the members who provide hospitality for skippers, crews and umpires in their homes; the team of boat hostesses who look after each yacht, members who assist in the office and generally with support during the Regatta



THIS WITHOUT YOU...

We also wish to express our special thanks to Dr Helmut Ganser of Elida Fabergé for increasing their support of the event and to Diggi Thompson of Brut UK and Lucille Foster of APA who assisted with their Media Relations. Once again we are grateful to Mike Nicholson and our friends at Vauxhall for continuing in their support. Thanks also go to Steve Ancsell for cutting short his honeymoon to film the regatta (many thanks to Mrs Ancsell too).

Many friends and associates of the Royal Lympington Yacht Club also provide invaluable services to the Club for little or no reimbursement, and without this assistance it would be difficult for the event to operate to it's present high standard a standard that is much admired around the world. We especially wish to thank:

The Lympington Yacht Haven, Dirk Kalis and his staff for providing berthing facilities for the yachts, Ancasta for their assistance in respect of our racing yachts, Andrew Salanson and Avalon Press for their patience and expertise in the preparation of this program, David Martin of BHG Marine and Pitcher One Design for taking care of ALL the boats during the week, Pete Sanders at Sanders Sails and Richard Rouse of Ocean Rigging for all their support - often very late at night, Ringwood PA for the supply of on-the-water radios, Max Mudie for helping with our photographic needs - and as we always have to admit, the many others whose telephones, fax machines, fuel and facilities have unknowingly been donated to the event!





THE MONTEREY FROM VAUXHALL

