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## History of the Finn Gold Cup

The Finn Gold Cup was presented to the International Finn Association (IFA) in 1956 by the late F.G. Mitchell of the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club, Great Britain, and became the World Championship trophy for the class. The Gold Cup is the most important part of the history of the class. The foundation of the IFA on August 23, 1956 in Loosdrecht, Holland was strongly influenced by the first Gold Cup March 1956 in Burnham-on-Crouch, England.

The late Jorg Bruder of Brazil won the cup three times. In 1973 while en route to defend his title in France, he was killed in an air crash and the original cup was lost. Somms Marine of France presented a replica of the original cup to the Finn Class in 1975, which is used today to represent the highest honour in single-handed racing.

In the beginning there was no limitation of numbers of entries. Because of starting lines difficulties in 1961 and 1962, the number of participants in 1963 was first limited to 15 per nation. The rule has been changed and amended several times over the years, but now the number of sailors per nation is directly proportional to the number of members in that country. In 1973 and 1978 the IYRU tried to reduce the number of entries to 60 boats and each time the IFA refused.

In the first five Gold Cups 1956-1960 only wooden boats were allowed. When GRP was permitted in 1961 and plastic boats ended up first, second and third, the class ran into a crisis. Owners of older wooden boats were afraid that their equipment had been outmoded. In addition Arne Akerson won in 1962 with Fred Miller's boat, which Rickard Sarby found to behave very differently from an ordinary Finn in waves. The measurement committee found several kilos of hidden lead in that magic boat, which raised further objections against plastic boats.

Then in 1964 Hubert Raudaschl won in his homebuilt wooden boat. After two years of experimenting with his own GRP development, Willy Kuhweide bought back his old wooden Finn and won the Gold Cup twice. After Raudaschi and Kuhweide, the late Jorg Bruder also used wooden hulls but then in the mid 1970s GRP hulls with soft wooden decks proved to be successful and from the late 1970s full GRP hulls returned to the front of the fleet, dominated firstly by Vanguard, and then later by Devoti.

#### **Outstanding individuals in the history of the Gold Cup are:**

- Andre Nelis of Belgium won in 1956 and 1961, was second in 1958, 1959 and 1960, and third in 1957 and 1962
- Joerg Bruder of Brazil won in 1970, 1971, 1972 and was second in 1969
- Willy Kuhweide of FRG three times in 1963, 1966 and 1967
- Lasse Hjortnaes of Denmark won in 1982, 1984 and 1985
- Fredrik Lööf of Sweden won in 1994, 1997 and 1999
- Ben Ainslie of Great Britain won in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2008.





















## **Current ISAF World Rankings**

Position	Name	Country	Events	Best	Points
1	Edward Wright	GBR	7	1	4778
2	Ivan Kljakovic Gaspic	CRO	7	1	4774
3	Pieter-jan Postma	NED	7	2	4673
4	Thomas Le Breton	FRA	7	3	4600
5	Rafa Trujillo Villar	ESP	7	1	4539
6	Vasilij Zbogar	SLO	7	6	4498
7	Deniss Karpak	EST	7	7	4476
8	Giles Scott	GBR	7	2	4467
9	Zach Railey	USA	7	1	4412
10	Jonathan Lobert	FRA	7	6	4319
11	Gasper Vincec	SLO	7	1	4238
12	Daniel Birgmark	SWE	7	4	4220
13	Ioannis Mitakis	GRE	7	13	4135
14	Andrew Mills	GBR	7	7	4125
15	Brendan Casey	AUS	7	9	4081
16	Giorgio Poggi	ITA	7	13	4052
17	Jonas Hoegh-Christensen	DEN	7	1	4007
18	Björn Allansson	SWE	7	16	4000
19	Dan Slater	NZL	7	2	3973
20	Michael Maier	CZE	7	2	3945
21	Eduard Skornyakov	RUS	7	7	3791
22	Jan Kurfeld	GER	7	19	3777
23	Caleb Pine	USA	7	21	3776
24	Tapio Nirkko	FIN	7	7	3750
25	Marin Misura	CRO	7	3	3739
26	Florian Raudaschl	AUT	7	19	3705
27	Mark Andrews	GBR	7	9	3701
28	Filippo Baldassari	ITA	7	27	3676
29	Ben Ainslie	GBR	7	1	3644
30	Olexsiy Borysov	UKR	7	15	3589



















# Previous Winners of the Finn Gold Cup

Year	Venue	Winner
2011	Perth, Australia	Giles Scott - GBR
2010	San Francisco, USA	Edward Wright - GBR
2009	Vallensbaek, Denmark	Jonas Høgh-Christensen - DEN
2008	Melbourne, Australia	Ben Ainslie - GBR
2007	Cascais, Portugal	Rafael Trujillo - ESP
2006	Split, Croatia	Jonas Høgh-Christensen - DEN
2005	Moscow, Russia	Ben Ainslie - GBR
2004	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Ben Ainslie - GBR
2003	Cadiz, Spain	Ben Ainslie - GBR
2002	Athens, Greece	Ben Ainslie - GBR
2001	Marblehead,USA	Sebastien Godefroid - BEL
2000	Weymouth, UK	Mateusz Kusznierewicz - POL
1999	Melbourne, Australia	Fredrik Loof - SWE
1998	Athens, Greece	Mateusz Kusznierewicz - POL
1997	Gdansk, Poland	Fredrik Loof - SWE
1996	La Rochelle, France	Philippe Presti - FRA
1995	Melbourne, Australia	Hans Spitzauer - AUT
1994	Parnu, Estonia	Fredrik Loof - SWE
1993	Bangor, N. Ireland	Philippe Presti - FRA
1992	Cadiz, Spain	E. Mergenthaler - MX
1991	Kingston, Canada	H. Lammens - CAN
1990	Porto Carras,Greece	H. Lammens - CAN
1989	Alassio, Italy	Stig. Westergaard - D
1988	Ilha Bela, Brazil	T. Schmid - G
1987	Kiel, Germany	J. Doreste - E
1986	El Arenal, Spain	S. Westergaard - D
1985	Marstrand,Sweden	L. Hjortnaes - D
1984	Anzio, Italy	L. Hjortnaes - D
1983	Milwaukee, USA	P. van Cleve - USA
1982	Medemblik, Holland	L. Hjortnaes - D

Year	Venue	Winner
1981	Gromitz, Germany	W. Gerz - G
1980	Auckland, New Zealand	C. Lewis - USA
1979	Weymouth, UK	C. Lewis - USA
1978	Manzanillo, Mexico	J. Bertrand - USA
1977	Palamos, Spain	J. Blanco - E
1976	Brisbane, Australia	C. Law - UK
1975	Malmo, Sweden	M. Olin - S
1974	Long Beach, USA	H. Sprague - USA
1973	Brest, France	S. Maury - F
1972	Anzio, Italy	J. Bruder - BL
1971	Toronto, Canada	J. Bruder – BL
1970	Cascais, Portugal	J. Bruder - BL
1969	Hamilton, Bermuda	T. Lundquist - S
1968	Whitstable, UK	H. Wind - D
1967	Hanko, Finland	W. Kuhweide - G
1966	La Baule, France	W. Kuhweide - G
1965	Gdynia, Poland	J. Mier - DDR
1964	Torquay, UK	H. Raudaschl - OE
1963	Medemblik, Holland	W. Kuhweide - G
1962	Tonsberg, Norway	A. Akerson - S
1961	Travemunde, Germany	A. Nelis - B
1960	Torquay, UK	V. Stratton - UK
1959	Hellerup, Denmark	P. Elvstrom - D
1958	Zeebrugge, Belgium	P. Elvstrom - D
1957	Karlstad, Sweden	J. Vogler - DDR
1956	Burnham, UK	Andre Nelis - B



















### **About Falmouth**

# About the Event Organisers: The Royal Cornwall Yacht Club

Situated in the idyllic waterfront setting of the Greenbank area in Falmouth, the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club (RCYC) was formed in 1871, and is the 15th oldest "Royal" yacht club in England. The first patrons of the club were Queen Victoria and the Duke of Cornwall (the future King Edward VII). The current patron is HRH Prince Charles who succeeded his father, the Duke of Edinburgh, in 1977.

Falmouth has long been a venue for major regattas, and the club has been instrumental in organising major sailing events since before the Second World War. Large yachts of the J-Class visited in the 1930s, and the Club is looking forward to welcoming them back in 2012.

The Falmouth Sunbeam has sailed in Falmouth since 1924. The class will celebrate its 90th anniversary in 2013-2014. It provides top class one design racing, and the fleet in Falmouth is thriving.

For more information please visit:

#### www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org

Royal Cornwall Yacht Club, Greenbank, Falmouth, TR11 2SP





#### **About the Venue**

Falmouth is Cornwall's leading south coast resort and steeped in vibrant maritime heritage. Falmouth has flourished as a port for over 400 years. Today, the port offers marina facilities for the yachtsman, quays for the visiting cruise liners and has gained an international reputation as one of the great sailing and watersports centres of the world.

Falmouth has some of the best sailing waters in Europe with Falmouth Bay acting as a natural amphitheatre, predictable tides and a prevailing south-westerly wind, which allows for safe and exciting racing.

#### **National Maritime Museum Cornwall**

The venue for the J.P. Morgan Asset Management Media Centre. Celebrating the sea, boats and Cornwall, this multi award winning Museum not only has 15 galleries, over five floors beautifully illustrating the past, present and future of this island nation but also offers a number of stunning exhibitions.

For more information please visit

www.falmouth.co.uk or www.visitcornwall.co.uk



















## Venue Map



#### **Venues**

- 1 Royal Cornwall Yacht Club (AGM, BBQ)
- 2 Falmouth Watersports Centre (regatta centre)
- 3 Dinghy Park
- **4** National Maritime Museum Cornwall (opening ceremony)
- **5** Events Square (prize-giving)
- 6 NMMC car park
- **7** Falmouth Rugby Football Club (camping, including mobile homes and camper vans)
- 8 Trailer park



















### The Media Centre

#### The media centre will be located at:

National Maritime Museum Cornwall, Discovery Quay, Falmouth, Cornwall TR11 3QY



#### The J.P. Morgan Asset Management Finn Gold Cup Media Centre:

Thursday 10 - Saturday 19 May 08.00hrs - 20.00hrs

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#### **Competitor Access:**

The PR team can assist with organising interviews.

**Press Boats:** Space is limited and by reservation. Media with confirmed assignments will be given priority. Please contact calsey.thorne@intotheblue.biz to confirm your space on a press boat.

**Daily News:** Daily news releases will be distributed via email and posted to the event website, www.falmouthfinnfestival. com. Full results will be available on the website.

**Photographs:** Official event photographer Mark Lloyd will capture the racing daily. Images will be available to download from the http://jpmam.dme.boxstuff.net/

**TV:** Daily racing highlight packages will be produced during the week and available for download through http://jpmam.dme.boxstuff.net/

**Tracking:** Tracking will be provided by Trac Trac and will be available on the event website

**Live Blog:** Follow the live interactive blog at www. falmouthfinnfestival.com/About/C1

Twitter: Follow @Finns2012



















## **Daily Schedule**

#### **Finn Open British Nationals**

#### Saturday 5 May

Two races back-to-back: First warning signal 12.55

#### **Sunday 6 May**

Three races back-to-back: First warning signal 10.55

#### **Monday 7 May**

Two races back-to-back:
First warning signal 10.55
Prize-giving and tea after racing at Regatta Centre

#### Tuesday 8 - Thursday 10 May

Finn clinic - Regatta Centre

#### **Finn Gold Cup**

#### Wednesday 9 May

From 09.00: Dinghy park open 09.00 - 20.00: Registration & measurement - Regatta Centre

#### Thursday 10 May

09.00 - 20.00: Registration & measurement - Regatta Centre

#### Friday 11 May

09.00 - 18.00: Registration & measurement - Regatta Centre 18.00: Annual General Meeting for the International Finn Association - Royal Cornwall Yacht Club

#### Saturday 12 May

09.00 - 18.00: Final registration & measurement - Regatta Centre

9.30 competitors briefing

10.30 Public and press - meet the competitors at Events Square Practice Race - First warning signal 12.55

18.30: Official Opening Ceremony - National Maritime Museum Cornwall



#### Sunday 13 May - Racing Day 1

Two races - First warning signal 10.55

#### Monday 14 May - Racing Day 2

Two races - First warning signal 10.55

#### Tuesday 15 May - Racing Day 3

Two races - First warning signal 10.55

#### Wednesday 16 May - Racing Day 4

Two races - First warning signal 10.55

#### Thursday 17 May - Racing Day 5

Two races - First warning signal 10.55

#### Friday 18 May - Racing Day 6 - Final Racing Day

Medal race and final race - First warning 10.55

Prize-giving after racing in the regatta marquee on Events Square, with Closing Ceremony at 8.00pm for full prize-giving and awards, including presentation of the Finn Gold Cup and the Andy Tyler Memorial Trophy

#### Saturday 19 May

Olympic Torch Relay











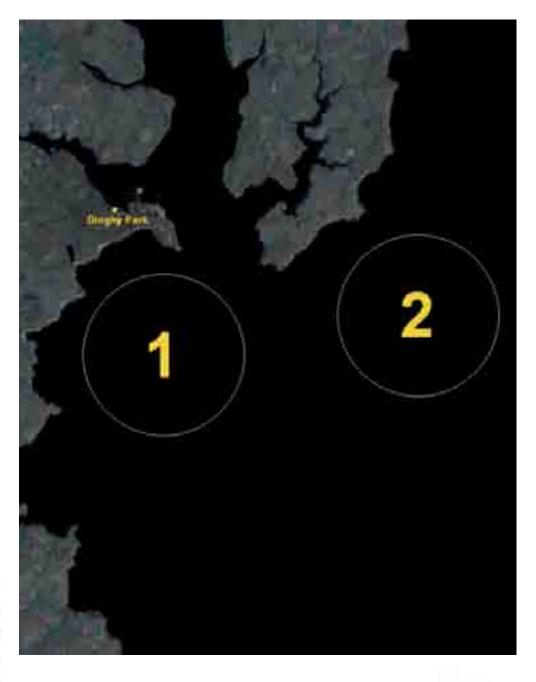








# Guide to Racing including course map



The Regatta Centre will be situated at the Falmouth Watersports Centre.
Racing will take place in Falmouth Bay or adjacent waters to the east.



















## **British Runners & Riders**

Name: Ben Ainslie (GBR)

Age: 35

World Ranking 29 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (11), 2008 (1), 2005 (1), 2004 (1), 2003(1), 2002 (1) Previous Olympics 2008 (1), 2004 (1), Laser: 2000 (1), 1996(2)

Britain's greatest ever Olympic sailor and the most successful Finn sailor of all time. Only been beaten a handful of times since 2004. Falmouth is home waters for Ben so he will only be looking for a win. Already selected for the 2012 Olympics, which will be his fifth time at the Games.



Age: 35

World Ranking 1 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (3), 2010 (1), 2009 (6), 2008 (7), 2007 (6), 2005 (26)

**Previous Olympics None** 

After losing out to Ainslie in the 2008 Olympic trials, he came back to win the Finn Gold Cup in 2010 and also won the ISAF Sailing World Cup series in both 2009 and 2010 which took him to number 1 in the world.



Age: 24

World Ranking 8 (Highest 2)

Previous FGC 2011 (1), 2010 (3), 2009 (4) 2008 (14), 2007 (14)

**Previous Olympics None** 

One of Britain's brightest sailing hopes, but lost out to Ainslie for the Olympic selection in 2008 and 2012, so now set his sights on 2016. Won both the Europeans and the World titles in 2011, but second to Ainslie in the Olympic trials.



Age: 26

World Ranking 14 (Highest 7)

Previous FGC 2011 (7), 2010 (7), 2009 (10), 2008 (27), 2007 (49), 2006 (55)

**Previous Olympics None** 

Another member of the very strong GBR Finn squad who is good enough to qualify to the Olympics in his own right, but has

always been overshadowed by Ainslie, Wright and Scott. Very strong and fit sailor, and fastest in strong winds.



























## **Other Nations Runners & Riders**

Name: Ivan Kljakovic Gaspic (CRO)

Age: 28

World Ranking 2 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (10), 2010 (8), 2009 (3) 2008 (10), 2007 (11), 2006 (8), 2005 (18) Previous Olympics 2008 (8)

European champion in both 2009 and 2010, Kjlakovic Gaspic is one of the most consistent sailors on the circuit, and is regularly at the front of international fleets. One of the lighter sailors, he prefers lighter winds, but even in stronger winds can be well into the top 10.



Age: 36

World Ranking 5 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (5), 2010 (2), 2009 (8) 2008 (13), 2007 (1), 2006 (5), 2005 (7), 2004 (8), 2003 (2), 2002 (4), 1997 (14)

Previous Olympics 2008 (9), 2004 (2) Star 2000 (8)

One of the most experienced sailors in the Finn fleet. Famously lost the Gold Cup twice on the final day before finally clinching it in 2007. Big, strong sailor who prefers breezy conditions.



Age: 30

World Ranking 17 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (4), 2010 (14), 2009 (1) 2008 (3), 2007 (4), 2006 (1), 2005 (12), 2004

(11), 2003 (4)

Previous Olympics 2008 (6), 2004 (9)

After winning the Finn Gold Cup in 2006, he was a clear medal contender at the 2008 Olympics, but performed below his expectations and placed sixth. Then he took a lot of time off, and came back to win the 2009 Finn Gold Cup with very little training. Only started his campaign for 2012 full time in November 2011.

Name: Jonathan Lobert (FRA)

Age: 26

World Ranking 10 (Highest 6)

Previous FGC 2011 (6), 2010 (13), 2009 (19) 2008 (26), 2007 (34)

**Previous Olympics None** 

A silver medal at the Olympic Test Event in 2011 was the culmination of steady progress over the previous few years. Won his selection for the Olympics after the 2011 Finn Gold Cup against training partner Thomas Le Breton (FRA). Very athletic style in the boat, especially downwind.



























## **Other Nations Runners & Riders**

Name: Pieter Jan Postma (NED)

Age: 29

World Ranking 3 (Highest 2)

Previous FGC 2011 (2), 2010 (20), 2009 (12) 2008 (4), 2007 (2), 2006 (12), 2005 (28) Previous Olympics 2008 (14)

Postma picked up the silver medal at the Finn Gold Cup and the Pre-Olympics in 2007 and then had a disastrous Olympics in 2008, failing to even make the medal race. After a few years in the wilderness he is now right back in contention with a bronze at the 2011 Olympic test event and a silver at the 2011 Finn Gold Cup. Sailing fast and clever and a clear medal contender through 2012.



Name: Deniss Karpak (EST)

Age: 25

World Ranking 7 (Highest 9)

Previous FGC 2011 (8), 2010 (26), 2009 (17)

Previous Olympics Laser: 2008 (24)

After sailing in the 2008 Olympics in the Laser he moved straight into the Finn and has made steady progress ever since. Yet to medal at a major event, but already qualified for the 2012 Olympics after a great performance in Perth.



Name: Zach Railey (USA)

Age: 27

World Ranking 9 (Highest 1)

Previous FGC 2011 (9), 2010 (4), 2009 (2) 2008 (28), 2007 (19)

Previous Olympics 2008 (2)

His silver medal at the Olympics in 2008 was unexpected by many but he has since proven his calibre on many occasions, including a silver medal at the 2009 Finn Gold Cup.



Name: Daniel Birgmark (SWE)

Age: 39

World Ranking 12 (Highest 4)

Previous FGC 2011(14), 2010 (12), 2009 (5), 2008 (17), 2007 (8), 2006 (4), 2005 (9), Previous Olympics 2004 (14), 2008 (4)

Lost the bronze medal at the Olympics in 2008 on the tie break after the medal race, so will be very keen to put that right in 2012. A very consistent, steady and calm sailor who is always there or thereabouts. Best result since 2008 is a bronze medal at the 2010 Europeans.





















# Shoreside Activities & Entertainment

#### Tuesday 1 May (to 20 May and throughout the Finn Festival)

Ben Ainslie's Finn dinghy 'Rita' will be on display inside the National Maritime Museum Cornwall, in Falmouth for the whole of J.P. Morgan Asset Management Finn Festival for people to see this highly technical sailing dinghy in which Ben won his last two gold Olympic medals. Get behind Great Britain's most successful Olympic sailor by tweeting your support. Tweet @ainslieben your support message followed by #benandrita. Museum open from 10.00am to 5.00pm

#### Wednesday 2 May (to 24 June and throughout the Finn Festival)

National Maritime Museum Cornwall hosts the Our Sporting Life - Sail for Gold exhibition, celebrating our British Olympic and Paralympic sailing heritage. Take a step back in time with the 2012BC Cornwall and the Sea in the Bronze Age exhibition and celebrate the maritime rescue services with the blockbuster Search & Rescue exhibition. Open from 10.00am to 5.00pm

#### Saturday 12 May

Meet the international sailors at Events Square in the morning, 10.30 – 11.15am Official Opening Ceremony for competitors, their teams and press, in the National Maritime Museum Cornwall, by invitation only, 6.30pm

#### Sunday 13 May

Kernocopia will be adding an extra Olympic dimension to Events Square with a free event at 2pm, with an explosive fusion of Cornish sporting treasures explored through words, music, dance and performance. The production will also feature at the Weymouth & Portland 2012 Olympic Opening Celebrations.

#### Friday 18 May

**J.P.** Morgan Asset Management Finn Festival prize-giving after racing in the regatta marquee on Events Square, with Closing Ceremony at 8.00pm for full prize-giving and awards, including presentation of the Finn Gold Cup and Andy Tyler Memorial Trophy.

End of Finn Festival Party with live music from Area 51, following on from Closing Ceremony in festival marquee through to 11.30pm - free entry Finn Grand Fireworks display, Falmouth Harbour 10.00pm Further details for all shoreside entertainment to come will be posted as they are confirmed

#### Saturday 19 May

#### Olympic Torch Relay in Cornwall

- First day of the Olympic Torch Relay's journey around Great Britain. The flame will pass through Falmouth in the morning and the town will be celebrating this historic moment with a day long programme of activities and highlights making Falmouth a great place to watch the Olympic Torch on its way through Cornwall.
- The flame will arrive in Falmouth at 10.53 and take the following route: Dracaena Avenue (A39), Kimberley Park Road, Berkeley Vale, Killigrew Street, Webber Street, Market Strand, Market Street, Church Street, Arwenack Street, Grove Place car park, Arwenack Street, Bar Terrace, Bar Road, Melvill Road (A39), Western Terrace (A39) at 12.01
- Competitors from the Finn Gold Cup (the final qualifying opportunity for nations and individuals for the London 2012 Finn Class sailing event in Weymouth) have been invited to stay on in Falmouth after the Finn Festival to welcome the Torch, dressed in their national tracksuits, this will give a truly international sporting feel to the day. Finn competitors and their teams will be available for interview on the morning of 19 May.

- A 15 feet high replica flame will transform the iconic 29m tower at the National Maritime Museum Cornwall into Falmouth's very own 'Torch'
- Superb RNAS Culdrose Sea King helicopter flypast, time tbc
- On Events Square expect a series of dance and music performances and photographic exhibitions by University College Falmouth students in the Festival Marquee, 9.00am to 5.00pm
- University of Exeter will be showing Sustainable Energy on Prince of Wales Pier
- · Big cream tea giveaway on the Moor during the torch arrival
- Falmouth Art Gallery will be building a huge torch made from withies that everyone will be able to attach good luck messages to
- Free water sports taster sessions at Swanpool Beach courtesy of Elemental UK
- Over 30 Cornish Gig boats will be on display on the water around Custom House Quay. They will be headed up by the three oldest gigs in Cornwall dating from 1812
- Punch and Judy Show in Kimberley Park. Time tbc
- A number of schools have chosen three songs, one that they have written especially for the event and will be singing on Custom House Quay dressed in black and white to represent the Cornish Flag
- Guides and brownies from over 32 units across the area will converge on Falmouth to have a big party on Market St! Expect music, dancing, songs and more!
- Falmouth Dracaena Centre is holding a sports event for primary aged children including a host of jumping, throwing and running events. Resident and visiting children welcome, no need to register just turn up!
- 30 gigs on the water off Custom House Quay.

#### **Falmouth Flame Party Night**

In celebration of the Olympic Torch coming through Falmouth , Falmouth Festivals Ltd and Southwest Bars & Events announce the Falmouth Flame Party Night on Events Square on Saturday 19th May at 7pm with licensed bar and catering facilities

The headline band The Motown Pirates will lead the evenings festivities in the Finn Festival Marquee. Dubbed one of the hottest new bands in Cornwall, they enjoyed a phenomenal opening year with a fully booked diary, festival appearances, a top spot at the Eden Project. Free entry, no tickets needed, the event being supported by Falmouth Town Council and Falmouth BID

More really exciting plans will be announced soon, please check the website for more information **www.falmouth.co.uk** 

#### Sunday 20 May

Arts & Craft and Cornish Produce Festival in Festival marquee on Events Square in Falmouth. 10am- 5pm All that's best in Cornwall will be on display and to purchase. Something for all the family with licensed bar and catering, live music and childrens attractions. Free entry, 10am to 5pm

For more information on any of the above please call 01326 313553 or go to www.falmouth.co.uk



















## A word from our Title Sponsor



# Welcome from J.P. Morgan

J.P. Morgan is proud to be title sponsor of the Falmouth Finn Festival. We're looking forward to watching the very best Finn sailors battle it out to be crowned World Champion. To add to the excitement this is one of the last opportunities to see potential Olympic champions in action with a number of sailors competing to qualify for London 2012.

We're passionate about sailing as it allows us to support values that are important to our business. To be successful at sailing you need excellent teamwork, innovative thinking, leadership and passion, just some of our key values. We are proud sponsors of the Round the Island Race and Ben Ainslie who we wish the best of luck both in Falmouth and Weymouth.

Huge amounts of work go on behind the scenes and the event simply wouldn't have happened without the professionalism of the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club. A huge thank you to everyone involved.

On behalf of us all at J.P. Morgan, we wish all the sailors the very best of luck and hope you enjoy the Festival.



Roger Thompson, Head of UK, J.P. Morgan Asset Management



Welcome to Falmouth for two weeks of top-class racing at the J.P. Morgan Falmouth Finn Festival.



















## A word from the Race Director

The Finn Festival has been three years in the planning and execution and without a massive amount of support from all our sponsors and partners it would not have happened.

We also are deeply indebted to our magnificent team of volunteers who have given up their time to make this event happen. Over 150 individuals from the RCYC, POFSA, Falmouth Marine College and many other organisations have formed an amazing team. We have members of the race team who have come from all over the world to ensure that the competition is of the highest standard and we thank them for their involvement.

On behalf of the organising committee and competitors we would like to pass on our sincere thanks for the help from everyone and hope you thoroughly enjoy the Festival.

Robin Taylor, Event Director Royal Cornwall Yacht Club



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