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Race is on for Channel Island yachts

The Carey Olsen pursuit race to Alderney will once again take place this August.

The annual race, taking place on Saturday 1st August, is one of the most popular in the Channel Islands sailing calendar and will feature 50 boats in a timed pursuit (where boats start on staggered start times according to handicap) from Guernsey to Alderney.

The timed pursuit format will ensure that boats, the first of which will set off at midday, will arrive in Alderney at roughly the same time – where sponsors Carey Olsen will be providing a supper and refreshments for the crews and presenting the prizes for the day's racing.

The crews will also arrive in time to enjoy the first night of the Alderney Week celebrations.

“Many of our clients and staff, myself included, enjoy sailing, and this is a great opportunity to support our local sailing community,” said Michael Eades, partner at Carey Olsen.

“The pursuit race is a popular format and this year we are also starting a separate class for dayboats which should see the competition really hotting up.”

Adam Reed of Guernsey Yacht Club said: “We're looking forward to another great race, the pursuit format and the new dayboat classification should ensure a very competitive day's sailing, and the evening at Alderney Sailing Club is always popular amongst the crews.”

Last year's overall winner was *White Rabbit*, skippered by Simon Henning. Prizes on offer this year are for 1st – 4th overall, 1st Bilge Keel, 1st Jersey Yacht, 1st Family Yacht, 1st Alderney Yacht, 1st Non-Channel Islands Yacht and 1st Dayboat.

Entry for the Carey Olsen Trophy is free to members of recognised yacht clubs. Forms can be downloaded at www.careyolsentrophy.com and are also available from Guernsey Yacht Club, Alderney Sailing Club, St Helier Yacht Club and Carey Olsen's Jersey and Guernsey offices.

Closing date for entries is 12.00 on 25th July 2009.

Additionally Carey Olsen is also inviting Jersey boats to take part in the Carey Olsen Champagne Time Trial for boats travelling from Jersey to Guernsey for the race on Friday 31st July.

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Photo: Last year's winner, *White Rabbit*, skippered by Simon Henning.



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