

## **SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2004: WEATHER AND SAILING**

**An all-day (0900-1700) joint meeting between the Royal Meteorological Society and the Royal Institute of Navigation**, which will be held at the Sport Scotland National Centre, Inverclyde, Largs, Scotland.

The meeting is aimed at a wide audience with all presentations intended to be of interest to yachtsmen and amateur meteorologists, and there will be a small display area.

### **Session 1, Racing**

“Can meteorology win races?” **Paul Jeffes, Yachtsman**

“Meteorological preparations for competitions” **David Houghton, RYA meteorological advisor**

“Giving sailors the odds” **Mike Molyneux, Olympic team support**

### **Session 2, Cruising**

“Challenging systems” **Jim Allen, International Ocean Services**

“Weather forecasts and the cruising yachtsman” **Frank Singleton, Met Office, retired**

“RYA weather training for cruising boaters” **Stephen Johnson, RYA cruising manager**

### **Session 3, Sources of information**

“Weather on the internet” **Tim Thornton, Marine Computing International**

“Weather data from offshore” **Nick Ward, Trinity House**

“Navtex” **Kim Fisher, MCA**

### **Session 4, Risk**

“Using weather forecasts to manage risk” **Peter Buchanan, Met Office**

“Weather related incidents” **George Rawlinson, RNLI**

There is a registration fee of £20.00 (£15.00 for members of the Royal Meteorological Society or Royal Institute of Navigation). The meeting is sponsored by Largs Chandlers, the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, Northern Lighthouse Board and Practical Boat Owner Magazine.

This meeting is likely to be oversubscribed so an early expression of interest is advisable. If you wish to receive a registration form in due course, please contact the Society.

Further details will be published in the next edition of the Society’s Meetings Notice