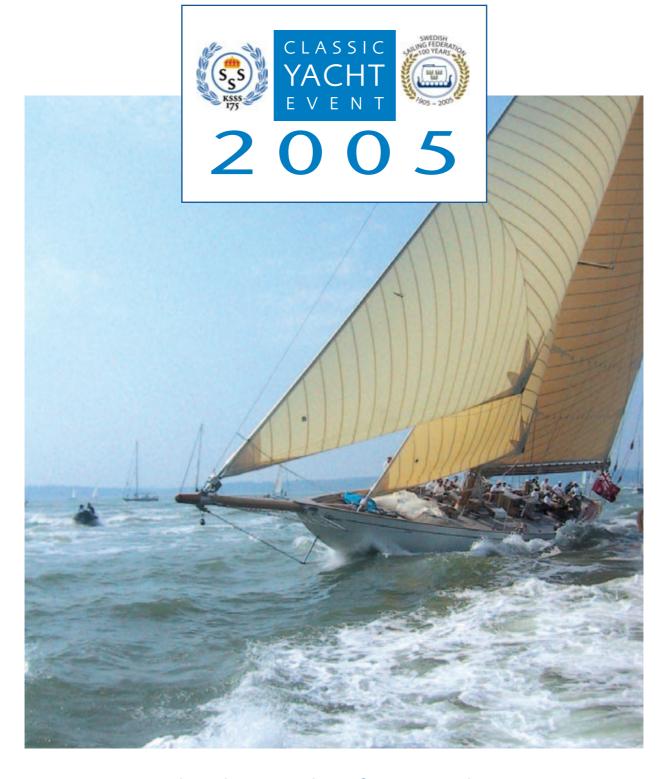
THE LARGEST CLASSIC YACHT EVENT OF THE CENTURY!



The Classic Yachts of Europe Salute
The Royal Swedish Yacht Club 175 Years and
The Swedish Sailing Federation 100 Years



In 2005 the Royal Swedish Yacht Club, KSSS celebrates its 175 year anniversary, and the Swedish Sailing Federation, SSF its 100 year. This will be celebrated during a couple of weeks, filled with races, events, and recreation. The unique Swedish and northern European cultural treasure of motor and sailing yachts will give the participants and spectators many unforgettable moments.

Sail in the Unique Outer Archipelago of Stockholm

Together we will experience the fantastic outer Stockholm archipelago with it's thousands of islands. We meet up on July 2nd to sail in this exhilarating environment, where the open sea meets the glittering rocks polished

thousands of years by the inland ice. Each night we will find a sheltered natural harbour of a unique island. Maybe Landsort with its 17th century lighthouse, Utö with its 12th century iron mine and picturesque village, Fjärdlång,

Ornö, Nämndö or Huvudskär with its old customs office and old fisherman's huts in the outermost archipelago. Every island has its own exciting history.

During the 3-day convoy we will visit interesting cultural and historical places, meet the locals who can tell us about life on the islands in the old days and today. We will get to know exciting people and places, manners and traditions, and learn about life with the sea.

To sail among the islands is of course also a social event, meeting people from all over Europe with the same interests and love for the sea. We will admire each others boats, enjoy each others company, and we will talk about our favourite subject – wooden boats.

The convoy ends on July 5th by sailing in a parade into Saltsjöbaden Harbour, where we meet the other participants of the Classic Boat Event.





Great Days in Saltsjöbaden

On Tuesday July 5th and Wednesday July 6th the two jubilees will be celebrated with lots of activities on the waterfront of the fashionable Grand Hotel. In the large Marina we will first honour the yachts finishing the Classic Visby Race. Highlights in the Marina with smaller classic boats like Stars, Dragons, the one-designs as well as races on the other side of the small peninsula will create an exciting atmosphere.

The sail-in of all the unique motor and sailing yachts will be the natural highlight of the sailing season. The Marina will be crammed with a cultural treasure seldom seen, including the cream of classic yachts, to the amusement of both skippers, crews and a



large public. In addition to the boat show the days are filled with numerous attractions. Veteran air shows will make you believe gravity has vanished, veteran cars concours d'elegance will make yesterday live again, but also music, marine markets, artists and handicraft exhibitions will be the basis for the social get-together. At night picnics will

be spread on and about the Marina as well as on the surrounding lawns. The festivities will continue till sunset and commence again at sunrise only a few hours later. For those who brought their sailors uniform, a ball in the Golden Hall of the Grand Hotel fits fine.

We Bring the Classic Visby Race into Life again.

The first week of July will be in the spirit of tradition, as the classic sea race "Visbyseglingen" will be revived. The first Visby Race took place in 1908. In addition to the sometimes tough and exciting conditions offshore, the start of the race in Visby was accompanied with great feasts and social high-life in the Marina. This is a tradition worth maintaining. We also wish to add to the enormous cultural treasure of the medieval very old and totally unique

"Hanse" City of Visby.

The Visby Race was the forerunner of the Round Gotland Race. In 1908 ten yachts participated in two classes, and the sail to Nynäshamn was very dramatic in a westerly storm. Many boats gave up and took shelter in emergency ports. This stormy race acted as a deterrent for offshore racing for many years to come. A pause was made until 1923, where after annual races were held until 1937. The races often brought

together large Skerry cruisers, R-boats, ketches and yawls. For younger sailors the names of the great yachts participating during



that golden era of sailing bring wonderful thoughts into life. Some of them still sail so with some luck we might see them participate in 2005.







Breathtaking Jubilee Races in Sandhamn

In Sandhamn – the eternal sailing centre – the excitement is at its peak during two days in July. On the 8th several races take place at different courses in the proximity of the island Sandön, where the village Sandhamn is situated. On the 9th the large fjord of Kanholmsfjärden will be filled with white sails. The races at Kanholmsfjärden will be

performed in accordance with old KSSS traditions. The classic start by a gun from the pavilion at Gastholmsgrundet will be used. By the way, the sail races at Kanholmsfjärden were in the 19th century the largest sports event in the country. Large crowds followed the races from boats and shores. Swedes had at the time neither seen a football,

an ice hockey stick nor a tennis ball, and passenger ships competed on getting spectators on board.

The shores and boats will surely also this time be crowded with spectators when the beautiful and shiny mahogany hulls cut the water in a fight for the gunshot.

Sailing in a Convoy on Göta Kanal, the Longest Adventure in Sweden.

Every inch of the Göta Kanal is an exciting experience. The 190 km long canal runs across half Sweden into the heart of the country and into the largest lake in Europe, Lake Vänern. With its 58 locks Göta Kanal will become the meeting place for all veteran boats in July.

Along the whole cruise, the local sailing clubs will arrange lots of festivities and events. Where we stay overnight, waterfront events, mingle evenings in pubs, and music will be arranged for the enjoyment of the spectators and the convoy. The Canal is a very popular goal for both local and foreign spectators, who will enjoy seeing what boats looked like in granddad's days. The Sailing through the welcoming Swedish landscape is really an experience, and the cultural inheritage in the small cities and villages along the way will make a lifelong impression on everyone. To visit the charming stony roads, the old houses, and the old glassworks facilities will add to the experience. Of course we will stop in the cities along the way and

learn about their history, as well as visit the castle of Karlsborg on the shore of Sweden's second largest lake Vättern. Enjoy being able to drink water straight out of both Lake Vättern and Vänern, before entering the last part of the journey on the river Göta Älv down to Gothenberg, where you meet the salt water again in the Kattegatt.



KSSS in Saltsjöbaden – 59 degrees16.7 minutes North and 18 degrees 19.2 minutes East

KSSS Marina in Saltsjöbaden lies at the gate to the archipelago. Saltsjöbaden is a picturesque village 30 minutes east of Stockholm City. Here the Marina with its guest harbour is next door to both the KSSS clubhouse, the famous Grand Hotel, as well as to open fjords and wonderful sailing waters. Saltsjöbaden has been the inshore sailing centre of Stockholm for ages.

Coming from Stockholm you sail through the very narrow sound Baggenstäket, and coming from the sea you sail through the sound Fällström to reach the open fjord Baggensfjärden in front of the clubhouse.

The Marina has 35 guest moorings, but during the veteran boat event, we have reserved the whole harbour in front of the

Grand Hotel for the estimated 200 participants.
From the Marina you can easily reach the shopping mall with banks, food, and shops. Marina facilities as well as recreation, amusements and restaurants are also available.



KSSS in Sandhamn – 59 degrees 17.3 minutes North and 18 degrees 55.3 minutes East

Sandhamn is situated farthest out in the archipelago with only a string of islands sheltering it from the open sea. Sandhamn has, since KSSS built its clubhouse here in 1897, been the centre for sailing

Sandhamn. At 60 degrees north the summer nights provide a marvellous light from a sun hiding a short time below the horizon before rising in a most exquisite sunrise.

Sandhamn is an old fishing village on the island of Sandön. KSSS' Marina has several pontoons and piers in front of the old clubhouse, which today contains a modern hotel and restaurant facility. The Sandhamn side has 350 guest moorings, marina facilities. After Sail music, dancing and other

festivities. Shuttle boats will take you to and from Lökholmen, the more quiet side across the small bay. Lökholmen has approximately 150 guest moorings and is an absolutely unique Marina with basic facilities.

Sandhamn is a gem in the Stockholm archipelago where you return over and over again, not only for serious racing but also to enjoy its shores, the people, restaurants and sailing atmosphere



Program for The Classic Yacht Event 2005







June 27 to July 2

- Convoy around the Swedish south coast for Norwegian, Danish and German and other participants.
- Stops in three cities along the route with prearranged events.
- Swedes join the convoy along the coast.
- Convoy from Finland.

Saturday July 2 to Tuesday July 5

- The Classic Visby Offshore Race from Visby to Stockholm in parallel with the large official Round Gotland Offshore Race.
- An informal convoy showing the magical archipelago to our foreign guests.

Wednesday July 6

- Classic Boat Show in Saltsjöbaden.

Thursday July 7

- Sailing to Sandhamn in classic waters, informal race.

Friday July 8

- Sail races at and around Sandhamn.
- An old fashioned evening in Sandhamn with music, food, clothes and boats matching old times.

Saturday July 9

- The Grand Jubilee Classic Race at Kanholmsfjärden.
- The Grand Ball evening and prize ceremonies.

Sunday July 10

- Departure of large boats and others who wish to go into the City of Stockholm.
- Reception in Stockholm City Hall.
- Departure for those sailing to the West Coast through Göta Kanal.

Wednesday July 13

 Start of the convoy through Göta Kanal, with events along route.







The Round Gotland Offshore Race timetable

Saturday July 2
Last arrival day
Sandhamn

Sunday July 3
Race starts

Tuesday July 5
First arrivals to the goal in Sandhamn

Wednesday July 6 Thursday July 7 Final arrivals to the goal in Sandhamn, transfer to Saltsjöbaden

The Classic Visby Race timetable

Saturday July 2
Arrival Visby

Sunday July 3 Lay day in Visby Monday July 4
Race starts

Tuesday July 5

Arrival to the goal in Saltsjöbaden

