



NOTICE OF RACE

Battle of the Classes Pursuit Race

Sunday September 17th 2017

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RACE COMMITTEE

- 1.1. The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southampton Yacht Club (RSYC), 1 Channel Way, Ocean Village, Southampton, SO14 3QF, United Kingdom in conjunction with the event hosts

The Southampton Boat Show (SBS), Marine House, Thorpe Lea Road, Egham Surrey, TW20 8BF and

Southampton Water Activities Centre (SWAC), Floating Bridge Road, Southampton SO14 3FL

- 1.2. The Race Committee (RC) will be appointed by the OA.

2. APPLICABLE RULES

- 2.1. Racing is governed by:

The Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
The prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA)
The Rules of the applicable Class Associations
The Sailing Instructions
Applicable Southampton Water by-laws
Relevant Notices to Mariners in force on the day of the event

- 2.2. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) shall detail changes to Racing Rules 26, 29.1, 31, 35, 40, 60.2, 63.7, A4 and A5.

- 2.3. In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the SIs, the SIs shall apply.

- 2.4. Competitors automatically grant to the OA without payment the right in perpetuity to make use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

3. RYA CHARTER

- 3.1. Racing will be organised in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter and competitors are expected to conform to it. See www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/racingcharter.aspx

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Entries will be accepted from any two boats from any recognised dinghy class.

- 4.2. Entry forms are available on the SailRacer web site:
<http://events.sailracer.org/eventsites/new1.asp?eventid=207619>

- 4.3. Entries will be accepted up to and including Friday 15th September 2017

5. SAFETY

- 5.1. Flag Y will not be used - this changes RRS40. All competitors shall wear an adequate flotation device when afloat. Wetsuits or drysuits are not sufficient on their own.

5.2. A tally system will be used and detailed in the SIs.

5.3. The medical and emergency contact section of the race entry form must be completed.

6. ENTRY FEES

6.1. There is no entry fee for this race.

7. SCHEDULE

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| 7.1. Registration: | At SWAC from 1000 on 17 th September 2017. |
| 7.2. Measurement and inspection: | See 8.1 below. |
| 7.3. Race date: | 17 th September 2017 |
| 7.4. Number of races: | There will be one race. |
| 7.5. Race briefing: | 1200 on 17 th September 2017 at SWAC |
| 7.6. Safety briefing: | A safety briefing will follow the 1200 briefing. |
| 7.7. Scheduled time of the warning signal: | 1425 on 17 th September 2017 |

7.8. Note that, if the start is delayed, no warning signal will be given after 1600 on 17th September 2017.

8. MEASUREMENTS

8.1. A boat may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water a boat may be instructed by a Race Committee Measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1. The SIs will be available on Tuesday 12th September 2017 and will be published on the Official Notice Board (ONB) and copied to the Sailracer web site.

9.2. The ONB will be the notice board at SWAC.

10. VENUE

10.1. Appendix 3 shows the location of the SWAC Sailing Centre and parking for cars and trailers.

10.2. Appendix 1 shows the location of the race area.

11. THE COURSE

11.1. The course will be announced at the briefing (7.5 above). Appendix 2 shows examples of the type of marks that may be used in defining the course.

12. SCORING

12.1. The race is a pursuit race which is run for a fixed time. Each boat is allocated a start time based on its Great Lakes handicap.

12.2. Each boat's score will be its finishing place in the race. Information from trackers attached to each boat will be combined with observations by the Race Committee on the water to determine finishing places.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

13.1. The support boats will be moored at SWAC during the briefing.

13.2. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

14. BERTHING/LAUNCHING

14.1. Boats shall be launched from the SWAC slipway. Trailers should be removed to the storage area.

15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

15.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1. A boat shall neither make a radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones, with the exception for this event of GPS tracker provided by the race organisers for the purpose of spectator interest and race analysis.

17. PRIZES

17.1. Prizes will be awarded to (a) the first, second and third placed boats overall, and (b) the highest placed boat with an all under 18 crew. Prize-giving will be at RSYC as soon as possible after the end of the race. The bar at RSYC will be open for competitors and their supporters while waiting for the prize-giving.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

18.1. All competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4: Decision to race.

18.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event(s) each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

18.2.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event(s);

18.2.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;

18.2.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

18.2.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event(s) and they are fit to participate;

18.2.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

18.2.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

18.2.7. They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to face extremes of weather; that persons on board are of sufficient experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew;

18.2.8. Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000.00 (two million pounds sterling) per event against third party claims.

18.3. The fact that the RC may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this NoR.

18.4. It is the responsibility of the competitor who enters a race, series or regatta to ensure that all crew are fully aware of the provisions of this NoR.

19. INSURANCE

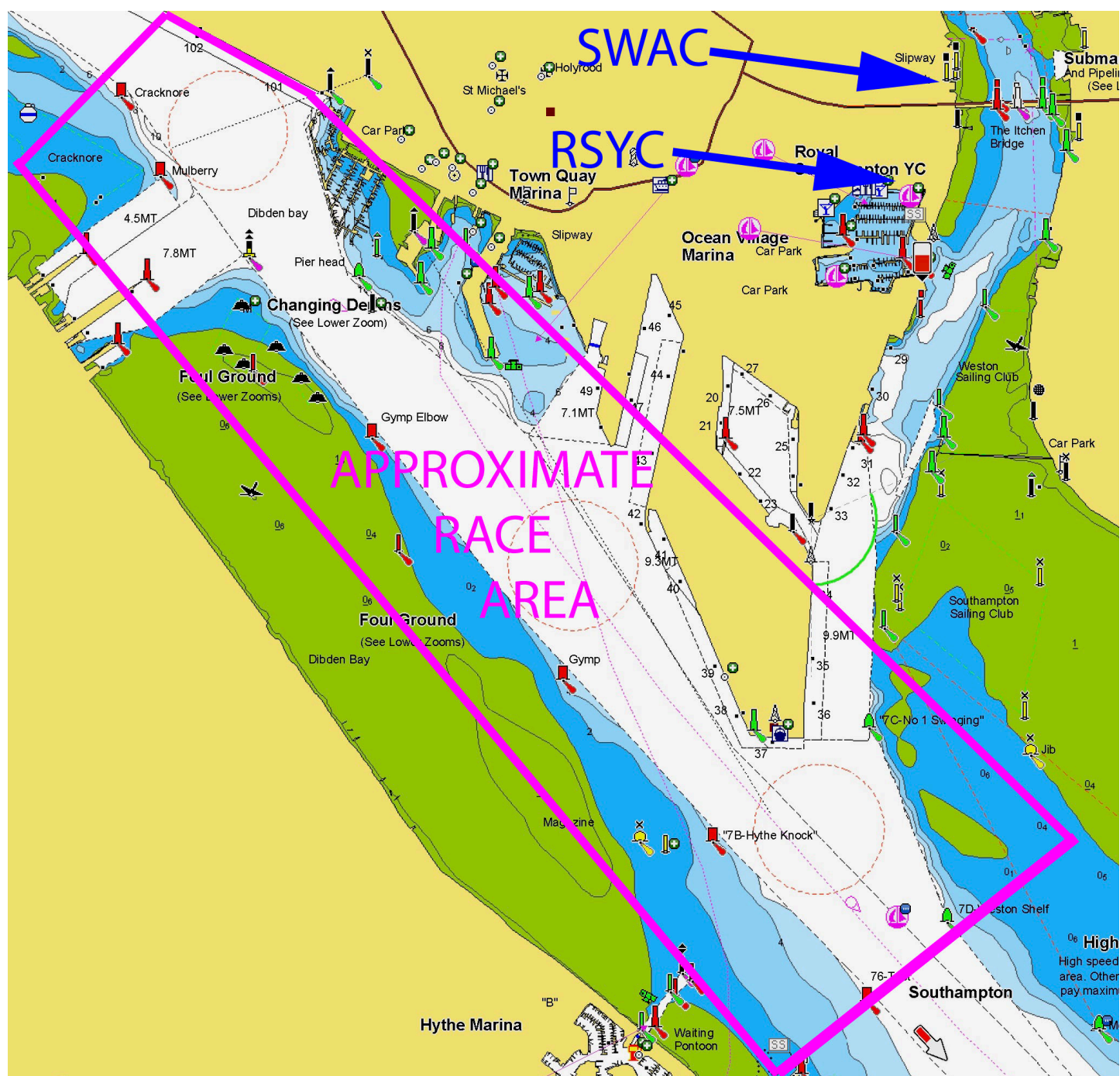
19.1. The boat and crew shall hold adequate insurance including third party cover to the value of at least two million pounds.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION

24.1. Further information can be obtained from the Sailing Secretary, RSYC

Tel: 023 8022 3352 E-mail racing@rsyc.org.uk

Appendix 1 – Racing Area



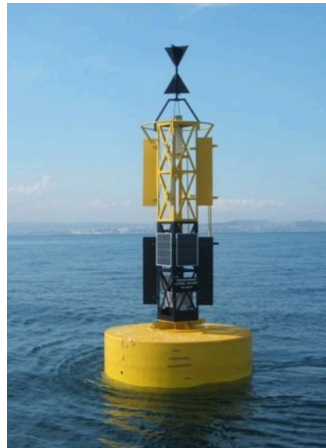
Appendix 2 – Racing Marks

A variety of marks may be used to define the course. Some may be marks laid on the day and some may be permanent navigation and racing marks. Below are examples of the kind of marks that may be used:

Laid Marks



Permanent Navigation Marks



Permanent Racing Marks



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ACTIVE NATION

Southampton Water Activities Centre is a purpose built building situated on the Longbridge Industrial Estate. Turn into Floating Bridge Road from Canute Road and travel to the end of the industrial estate towards the white building. Free car & minibus parking is available. Coaches drop off and pick up point is outside the main gate.

