



## Portsmouth Harbour Interclub Series

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1\* The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the 2015 interclub rules
- 1.2 **Racing rule 62 will be changed as follows: A boats NHC will be adjusted after every race. An adjustment of handicap is not grounds for redress**

#### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Yachts competing for the Interclub trophy must be members of the competing clubs and will be racing as representatives of their clubs. Should an owner belong to more than one club, he/she must declare which they will be representing throughout the series before the first race in which he/she competes in any year.
- 2.2 Competitors are required to submit a completed entry form and declaration to their club prior to competing in any race or series where this is required by their own club rules or club sailing instructions.
- 2.3 Anchors shall be secured on or below deck and not protrude beyond the toe rail.

#### 3 Identification.

- 3.1 A club burgee is to be flown from the backstay and racing numbers shall be displayed clearly on both sides of the vessel. To aid race officials identify boats, race numbers are required to be black on a white background, with a minimum text height of 200mm.
- 3.2 Ensigns shall not be flown while racing. Any vessel flying an ensign will be assumed to have retired and scored accordingly.

#### 4 Cruiser Definition.

- 4.1 A cruiser is defined as a Sailing vessel, with fixed internal sleeping . Accommodation.
- 4.2 A day boat is defined as a ballasted Monohull sailing vessel, with a minimum displacement without crew of 500 kgs.
- 4.3 Multihulls are not eligible for races held within Portsmouth Harbour.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Dates of racing:  
*Date*  
**Sat 9<sup>th</sup> May** Round the cans race

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> June** Nab Tower  
**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> July** Combined Harbour Regatta  
**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> September** Yarmouth passage race  
**Sat 26<sup>th</sup> September** Round the cans race

**6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available from the nominated club representative

**7 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be as shown in appendix 1,2

**8 SCORING**

**8.1** The scoring system is as follows:

**8.2 Scoring. NHC**

The following paragraphs in Appendix A of the RRs shall not apply to the Inter Club series of races nor to the Combined Harbour Regatta: Paragraph A2 ; the Bonus Point System of Paragraph A4.1 ;paragraph A4.2; and paragraph A9.

In each race in the Inter Club series of races the position of all yachts finishing for each club shall be averaged, and the club with the lowest average shall be the winner. Any yacht starting but not finishing a race (disqualified, retired or out of time) shall be given the position of the number of boats starting in that race plus one position.

If a club enters less than three yachts in any race in the Inter Club series the missing yachts shall be given the position of the number of finishers in that race plus two positions.

A club entering more than three yachts in any race in the Inter Club series shall be entitled to discard the slowest position according to the following :

4 to 5 starters 1 discards  
6 to 8 starters 2 discards  
9 to 12 starters 3 discards  
13 to 15 starters 4 discards  
Over 15 starters 5 discards

The result of each annual series shall be calculated by adding the average positions for each race, the club with the lowest total being the winner.

The result of each race must be notified to the other members of the Inter Club Committee by the organising club within 4 days of the race but where possible within 48 hours of the deadline for competitors declaring their elapsed times.

**9 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**10 PRIZES**

The Prize giving will be at Hardway Sc, date to be confirmed

**11 Safty**

**11.1** All boats should comply with Isaf Cat5, but it is acknowledged that classic yachts built before the introduction of ISAF Special Regulations have difficulty complying fully with the structural requirements of these rules. Owners of yachts which do not comply fully with the structural

requirements are therefore to make their best efforts to comply as fully as possible to the relevant requirements, with particular reference to cockpits (reg: 3.09), companionways and hatches (reg: 3.08) and pushpins stanchions and guard rails (reg: 3.14) any boat wishing to enter which has no guard rails must apply to the Organising Authority for Special Dispensation.

#### 11.2 Risk Statement

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision

**to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.**

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) 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;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) 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;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

## 12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (GBP) per event or the equivalent.