# **West Mersea Yacht Club**

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# **BUCKLEY GOBLETS RACE**

Saturday 16th September 2017 – High Water 0920 BST West Mersea

# **PART 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### 1. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD AND SAFETY CHECK

Prior to the start, every yacht shall pass close by the Committee Boat and inform the Race Officer of the number of persons on board.

#### 2. START SEQUENCE

The following 5-4-1-0 start sequence will be used (RRS A26 and EAORA Part 1 SI 12) This amends Sailing Instructions part 1 paragraph 12.5.

<u>Time</u>	Flag Displayed	Sound Signal	
07:50	Orange 10 Minute Time Check	1 Sound Signal	
07:55	Classes 3, 2, & 1 Warning Signal Numeral Pennants 3, 2 & 1 raised	1 Sound Signal	
07:56	Class 3, 2 & 1 Preparatory Signal Code Flag P raised	1 Sound Signal	
07:59	Preparatory Flag lowered	1 Long Sound Signal	
08:00	Numeral Pennant 3, 2 & 1 lowered	1 Sound Signal	Start Class 3, 2 & 1

#### 3. COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee may broadcast information on VHF Ch72, call sign "Offshore One" and yachts are reminded to keep a watch on VHF Ch72 prior to the start, during the start and as requested at the finish. Yachts are reminded of their legal obligation to keep a continuous watch on VHF ch16

The PRO will confirm with UK Coastguard the safe arrival of all vessels completing the race.

## 4. COURSE

The Course for the race is as per the Notice of Race (Amended July 2017), and will be signalled on the Committee boat by flying the appropriate code flag. Skippers are reminded of RRS 48.2 and their responsibility to comply with Rule 10, Traffic Separation Schemes, of the IRPCAS.

# 5. RETIREMENTS

Yachts retiring from the race should inform the race officer as soon as possible that they have retired and their intentions.

Prior to crossing the Thames Estuary, please phone 07906 912 671.

While Crossing and after crossing Thames Estuary please call the Race Officer on VHF72 call sign "Royal Temple Race Hut".

Otherwise inform the UK Coastguard on 01255 675518.

#### 6. REPORTING IN A SLOW RACE

When such time has elapsed that a yacht can at best achieve an average speed to the finish of less than 4 knots, she shall make every effort to inform the race office at the finish or UK Coastguard Tel: +44 (0) 1255 675518 of her position and progress, and shall continue to do so at reasonable intervals until she reports finished or retired.

#### 7. FINISH OF COURSE AT RAMSGATE

The Race Officer may record finish times from the RTYC race box on the east pier; however, yachts shall record their own finish time when crossing the finish line and report that time together with the timepiece used to the EAORA Representative at the Royal Temple Yacht Club. **Declarations are required as specified** in the Part 1 Sailing Instructions – within 1 hour of finishing – See also Paragraph 8 below.

#### 8. DECLARATIONS

Declarations are required to enable results to be calculated as soon as possible, therefore Skippers shall ensure that the declaration is given to the Royal Temple Race Officer and provide the following details: Yacht Name, Sail Number, Finish Date, Finish time (BST), Yacht finishing ahead, Yacht finishing astern.

#### 9. COMMUNICATIONS AT RAMSGATE

Please assist the Race Officer by advising him when you estimate you are 30 minutes from the Finish Line using **VHF Channel 72, Call sign, Royal Temple Race Hut.** After finishing at Ramsgate, please call Ramsgate Port Authority on Channel 14 to seek permission to enter the port.

# **END OF PART TWO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

# RACE SUPPORT INFORMATION

- 1. **Ramsgate Moorings & Fees** After entering the port, Yachts should call Ramsgate Marina for a berth and pay their own berthing fees.
- 2. Mersea Moorings Yachts should contact the WMYC Launchman, call sign YC1 on VHF 37a or M1 as they approach the Mersea Quarters. The Launchman will organise a mooring and arrange to bring the crew ashore. Please arrange with the Launchman regarding the length of time a mooring will be needed. The Launchman will collect the mooring fees on behalf of Mersea Mooring Association as follows; Yachts 35ft and under £5.00 and Over 35ft £7.50 per night.
- 3. **Prizegiving** At Ramsgate it will take place at the Royal Temple Yacht Club on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September as soon as possible after arrival, if possible at the Supper at the RTYC.
- 4. West Mersea Yacht Club Restaurant facilities at the start Restaurant facilities will be available on Friday evening 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at West Mersea Yacht Club from 1900 hours until 2130 hours. Our chef would greatly appreciate advanced bookings please ring on 01206 382947 (Office hours) or 01206 384463 (Restaurant).
- 5. Royal Temple Yacht Club Restaurant Facilities after the Finish The Club caterer has suggested a sitdown supper in the dining room for £20 per person, including a small charge for entertainment.

#### Carvery:

Roast Topside of Beef – Roast Turkey – Roast Pork

Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire puddings

A varied selection of Fresh Local Vegetables

With our own Home-Made Temple Gravy.

#### **Desserts:**

Tart Tartan with Custard /cream

Temple Eaton Mess with Madagascan Vanilla ice cream

Baileys Cheese Cake (semi-fredo)

Fresh Columbian Coffee & mints

£20 per head including a one man singer called Steve Huckle.

There will be a vegetarian option for those who ask.

Competitors please make sure the RTYC have an idea of numbers by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September. RTYC Telephone 01843 591 766 or email info@wmyc.org.uk.

- 6. West Mersea Launch service Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Our normal launch service will run until 2300 hours, Call sign YC1 on VHF 37 or channel M1. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AFTER 2300 HOURS. It would be very helpful to the Launchman if you could advise him of your return trip when initially coming ashore.
  - **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September** There will be a limited launch service on Saturday morning for the Committee Vessel crew from 0630 hours. Competitors are welcome to use this facility but must ensure they are on the pontoon in good time. The launch will continue to run a service until the Committee Boat arrives back on its mooring after the starts. Again, please make the Launchman aware of your requirements during the previous evening.
- 7. Car Parking at West Mersea The car park immediately behind the WMYC Clubhouse has a stay limit of 12 hours and is reserved for cars displaying authorised stickers. The Council car park between the Clubhouse and the water has a limited stay period for which you must pay. You will receive a fine if you park without a pay/display ticket showing the correct charge. Therefore, would Competitors wishing to leave cars at West Mersea please use the Club Car Park in City Road. Authorised stickers are also required to park here, to obtain a sticker apply to the Club Office or Bar giving car and race details. To access this park, take the road (Firs Chase) up the hill at the side of the Club House, then take the first turning on the left (about 50yds) into City Road (unmade surface), the Car/Boat Park is on the right-hand side. This car park is controlled with a barrier and a code is required to lift the barrier. This code is changed on a regular basis so please ask at the Club on arrival.