

Offshore Regatta Sailing Instructions Part 2 Including amendments to the Notice of Race Sponsored by HAVEN KNOX-JOHNSTON

Organising Authority: East Anglian Offshore Racing Association in association with the Haven Ports Yacht Club, Royal Temple Yacht Club and the Royal North Sea Yacht Club, Oostende.

Thursday 25th June to Sunday 28th June 2015 Incorporating the following Races; Graham Wallis Trophy (Harwich to Oostende) Cannon Ball Trophy (Oostende to Ramsgate) Walker Challenge Cup (Ramsgate to Harwich)

CONTACT DETAILS FOR OVERALL REGATTA

	Race Committee	Coastguard	Race Office
Prior to	Principal Committee Vessel "Blue	Call Thames Coastguard	Until 1000 on
first	Horizon" a white hulled Dufour 38	which will be answered by	Wednesday 24 th June
race	Classic yacht. Call Sign "Offshore	UK coastguard based in	
Start	One" on VHF Channel 72	Fareham.	EAORA Secretary
	Mobile: +44 (0) 7793 372 548	VHF Channel 16	Burnham Yacht Harbour
From	Based in Ostend but in contact via	+44 (0) 01255 675518	Burnham-on-Crouch
1800	phone and email with "Offshore	(For Notification of	Essex CM0 8BL
24 th	Two", HPYC and RTYC.	retirements or in an	Email:
June	•	emergency)	eaora1949@gmail.com
2015	On the Water:	Zone11@hmcg.gov.uk	Web Site:
	Committee Vessel "Kismet", a	Zone13@hmcg.gov.uk	www.eaora.org.uk
	white hulled Hardy 50 Motor	Wm.thames@mcga.gov.uk	
	Vessel. Call Sign "Offshore Two"		
	on VHF Channel 72.	Dover Coastguard VHF	
	Mobile: +44 (0) 7771 881 891	channel 16	
	. ,	+44 (0) 1304 210008	
		wm.dover@mcga.gov.uk	
At the	Principal Committee Vessel "Blue	As Above	Principal Race Officer
Finish	Horizon" a white hulled Dufour 38		Brian Bolton
of	Classic yacht. Call Sign "Offshore		Committee Vessel at
Regatta	One" on VHF Channel 72		Suffolk Yacht Harbour.
•	Mobile: +44 (0) 7793 372 548		

YACHTS RETIRING FROM ANY RACE MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY the COMMITTEE VESSEL AT THE FINISH OF EACH RACE OR THE COASTGUARD AS APPROPRIATE.

Failure to comply may lead to exclusion from future EAORA racing.

THE ATTENTION OF EVERY PERSON IS DRAWN TO ISAF SPECIAL REGULATION 1.02 AND TO THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING SUITABLE AND ADEQUATE PERSONAL INSURANCE.

THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY TO ALL THREE RACES.

LATEST INFORMATION

The Principle Committee Vessel, "Blue Horizon", a white Dufour 38 Classic (Call Sign – Offshore One), will be moored in the Yacht Club Marina in Ostend from Wednesday 24th June evening. The Principle Race Officer will be available on board this vessel from that evening until Saturday 27th June when the Committee Vessel will travel to Harwich to be berthed in Suffolk Yacht Harbour at Levington to compile the results ready for the Sunday Prize giving. A second Committee Vessel "Kismet", a Hardy 50 motor vessel (Call Sign – Offshore Two), will provide additional start and finish duties and will be in contact with the Principle Committee Vessel at all times during the regatta.

NAVIGATION NOTES

Due to the navigational changes that have taken place in the vicinity of the Sunk and the introduction of the Sunk Inner Precautionary Area it is important that all entrants have up to date charts covering that area and pay due regard to the Precautionary Notes. It is advisable to monitor VHF 14 while in this area and be aware of shipping movement.

Yachts are reminded of their obligations to comply with rule 10, Traffic Separation Schemes, of the IRPCAS.

On arrival at Ostend, yachts are reminded that there are new Outer Harbour Walls and a revised Fairway. Please make sure you are familiar with the new buoys and leading lights that mark the Fairway into Ostend.

If you are arriving after dark make sure you are aware of the new LEADING LIGHT positions. The Belgian Notices to Mariners available on www.vlaamsehydrografie.be – (click EN then Notice to Mariners >List) for latest information. Be aware of the ongoing work involving the offshore wind farms and craft and rigs associated with this work. These vessels are continually using Oostende for equipment and crew changes.

GENERAL RECALLS

Should a Class start be "general recalled", the start recalled will be restarted as soon as possible. The recalled start does NOT go to the end of the sequence. The start of Classes yet to be started will be delayed accordingly. (RRS 29.2 also refers)

COMBINED STARTS

If the starts of Classes are combined, then the start time will be that of the later Class. For example if Classes 1 and 2 were to be combined, the start for would be as published for Class 1.

COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee may broadcast information on VHF Ch72, and yachts are reminded to keep a watch on VHF Ch72 during the start and at the finish of each race.

Yachts are reminded of their legal obligation to keep a continuous watch on VHF ch16

The Race Officer at each finish will confirm with UK Coastguard the safe arrival of all vessels completing each race.

RETIREMENTS

Yachts retiring should inform the PRO or RO at the finish of each race as soon as possible by telephone or VHF ch72 or inform the Coastguard on +44 (0) 1255 675518 or by VHF that they have retired and what course of action they are taking.

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, Channel 16 or Tel: +44 (0) 1255 675518 of her position and progress, and shall continue to do so at reasonable intervals until she reports finishing or retiring.

APPROACH TO THE FINISH

All yachts are required to set listening watch on VHF Ch72 when approximately 30 minutes from the finish and at that time to call the Committee Vessel to advise Estimated Time of Arrival. At night or in poor visibility yachts should assist with identification at the finish line by calling the Committee Vessel on approach. The PRO will maintain a watch on VHF Ch72 and mobile phone +44 (0) 7793 372 548.

When a Committee Vessel is not on the finish line, yachts are required to take their own time and to supply the Race Officer at the finish with that information along with details of the method of taking the time. If this is a separate watch then that watch must be checked against the official time clock.

DECLARATIONS

Competitors are reminded that under EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 15.1 they are required to complete a Declaration Form. Yachts shall complete the Declaration and submit it to the Race Officer at the finish as soon as possible after the race. In the event of a yacht not entering the finish port, the Declaration maybe e-mailed to eaora1949@gmail.com or sent by text. Failure to comply with this rule may result in the yacht being excluded from the results. When a yacht retires from the race she shall write the reasons on her Declaration Form.

SCORING

EAORA will supply all race result details as soon as possible after each race and arrange a prize giving. Endorsed EAORA club yachts will be extracted from the results and rescored within the EAORA classes and awarded points within the EAORA series.

THE GRAHAM WALLIS TROPHY RACE

Part 2 Sailing Instruction that apply only to this race on Thursday 25th June 2015.

WARNING SIGNALS (Amends the information in the Notice of Race)

IRC Class III - 0655 (BST) – Code pennant "3", IRC Class II - 0705 (BST) – Code Pennant "2", IRC Class I 0715 (BST) – Code Pennant "1", Haven handicap 0725 (BST) – Code Flag "H". Refer to EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 for IRC class Splits.

COURSE TO BE SAILED

The course to be sailed will be indicated by the Code Flag Displayed by the Committee Vessel and maybe broadcast on VHF 72; either Course A or Course B.

THE START

By kind permission of Perry Wilson, the start will be undertaken using a Committee Vessel, "Kismet", a white hulled Hardy 50 Motor Vessel. (Call Sign – Offshore Two) The start time and line are as defined within the Notice of Race.

AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

A yacht shall not enter an area designated as an obstruction. (Diagram A)

Obstruction	Co-ordinates of Vertices (Latitude/Longitude (WGS84) or Description	
TSS – Sunk Traffic Separation Scheme South	A – 51 42.09N / 01 43.05E	B - 51 42.38N / 01 50.08E
	C - 51 38.17N / 01 43.45E	D - 51 38.45N / 01 50.48E

THE FINISH (Amends the Notice Of Race)

The Finish Line (Diagram B) is a line extending from the O3 Buoy (Green) to the Binnenstroombank Buoy. Yachts should take their own time when the Binnenstroombank Buoy bears 225°. The Race officer will endeavour to record times from the pierhead as a comparison. The timepiece used to record the finish time should be acknowledged by the Race Officer and if necessary checked against an official clock.

Please assist the Race Officer in Oostende by advising him when you estimate you are 30 minutes from the Binnenstroom Bank Buoy, and when you have finished the race and taken your own time. Recorded other racing yachts in front and astern using **VHF Channel 72, Call sign, Offshore One** or mobile telephone - **Brian Bolton, 07793 372 548**. Complete a Declaration form and pass to the Race Officer as soon as possible after mooring.

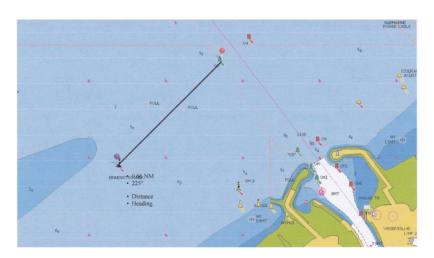
THE RESULTS

Results of the race and prize giving will take place at the Royal North Sea Yacht Club, Oostende, at 1800 local time on Friday 26th June 2015.

Diagram A (Not to scale and not to be used for navigation)



Diagram B (Not to scale and not to be used for navigation)



THE CANNON BALL TROPHY RACE

Part 2 Sailing Instruction that apply only to this race on Saturday 27th June 2015.

WARNING SIGNALS (Amends the information in the Notice of Race)

IRC Class III - 0755 (BST) – Code pennant "3", IRC Class II - 0805 (BST) – Code Pennant "2", IRC Class I 0815 (BST) – Code Pennant "1", Haven handicap 0825 (BST) – Code Flag "H". Refer to EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 for IRC class Splits.

THE START

By kind permission of Mrs Wendy Bolton, the Committee Vessel at the start will be "Blue Horizon", a white hulled Dufour 38 Classic, flying EAORA Flags. The Committee Vessel will be in a position outside the Oostende harbour entrance and will have set a start line as per the Notice of Race. The Race Officer will provide the first mark of the course, and then follow the course given in the Notice of race.

THE COURSE (SUPPLEMENTS THE INFORMATION IN THE NOTICE OF RACE)

On some charts the race mark "BT Ratel" is given its full name "BuitenRatelbank Buoy).

THE FINISH

The Finish Line is defined in the Notice of Race, all yachts **MUST record their own finish time** as per the instruction in the notice of race. The timepiece used should be notified to the Race Officer at the finish and a check made of that timepiece against an official clock. The Royal Temple Yacht Club will provide a Race Officer (Steve Stokes) who will collect all finish times and retirements and calculate the results. After crossing the finish line please take due regard of the entry lights when entering Ramgate and it is advisable to call **Ramsgate Port Control on Channel 14** for permission to enter and also when leaving. The marina should then be contacted on Channel 80 for a berth advise them you are part of the EAORA race Fleet.

DECLARATIONS

Completed declaration forms should be given to the Race Officer on Board the Committee Vessel "Kismet" as soon as possible after mooring.

THE RESULTS

Results of the race and prize giving will take place in the Royal Temple Yacht Club on Saturday 27th June 2015 as soon as possible after all yachts have been accounted for by the Race Officer and provisional results can be produced.

THE WALKER CHALLENGE CUP RACE

Part 2 Sailing Instruction that apply only to this race on Sunday 28th June 2015.

WARNING SIGNALS (Amends the information in the Notice of Race)

IRC Class III - 0755 (BST) – Code pennant "3", IRC Class II - 0805 (BST) – Code Pennant "2", IRC Class I 0815 (BST) – Code Pennant "1", Haven handicap 0825 (BST) – Code Flag "H". Refer to EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 for IRC class Splits.

THE START (Amends the Notice of Race)

The Committee Vessel, "Kismet" will set a start line south of the entrance to Ramsgate Harbour. The Start Line will be between Committee Vessel and the red port entry mark on the end of the southern breakwater.

COURSE TO BE SAILED (This amends the course given in the Notice of Race)

Channel Buoy No.6 (P), North Quern (S), Channel Buoy No.4 (P), Channel Buoy No.2 (P), Channel Buoy No.1 (P), Broadstairs Knoll (P), Elbow (P), Outer Fisherman (P), Black Deep No.8 (S), Sunk Head Tower (P), North East Gunfleet (P), Medusa (S), Landguard (S), Cliff Foot (S), Finish.

THE FINISH

The finish line is defined in the notice of race.

THE RESULTS

Results of the race and prize giving will take place in the Haven Ports Yacht Club as soon as possible after the last yacht finishes, followed by the results and prize giving for the overall regatta. A time will be notified to all skippers by Text Message.

END OF PART 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Additional Notes for Competitors (These notes are NOT part of the Sailing Instructions)

BERTHING ARRANGEMENTS

At Suffolk Yacht Harbour, Ramsgate and Ostend

All yachts are required to register with the Harbour master in each marina and pay the appropriate fee for each nights berthing. In Oostende and Ramsgate we have negotiated a discounted group rate, but to get this rate you need to pay the committee boat in EUROS in Oostende and Stirling Pounds in Ramsgate, rather than the Harbour master.

CATERING ARRANGEMENTS

No official arrangements have been planned so crews should make their own arrangements for catering at each port. Arrangements will be made for prize giving at all three ports, see part 2 Sailing Instructions above.

SUFFOLK YACHT HARBOUR

At the Haven Ports Yacht Club on Wednesday evening the bar will be open from 18.00 until 23.00 and bar food will be available from 18.00 until 21.30, but it is recommended that you eat before 20.00 as after that time the menu is reduced and the Wednesday night local race fleet arrive in the bar and it gets very busy. On Sunday the bar is open all day until 22.30 and bar food is available from 18.00 until 21.30.

OOSTENDE

There are various bars and restaurants in Oostende to cater for all tastes and costs, the RNSYC will be open but you will need to book ahead or as soon as you arrive, they have been given notice of the event and will try to accommodate as many as possible. The Cosy Corner is well known to most of the fleet and is a good meeting place later in the evening.

The intention is to hold a prize giving at the Royal North Sea Yacht Club, Oostende, at 1800 local time on Friday 26th June 2015.

RAMSGATE

The intention is to hold a prizegiving at the Royal Temple Yacht Club to fit in with the catering arrangements and depending how early the fleet finish.

There will be a Carvery available in the dining room of the RTYC from 19.00 to 21.00. If you wish to dine in the Club you **MUST book and PAY in advance by 1700 on Wednesday 24th June** by telephoning either the club on 01843 591766 or the Catering Manager, Dave Comiskey on his mobile 07765 683067 and giving the number of crew who are eating. The cost is just £18.50 for three courses or £15.00 for two courses.

End of additional Notes