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BUCKLEY GOBLETS RACE

FRIDAY 14th September 2018 - High Water 0351 BST West Mersea

AMENDMENT 1 TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

Start Line

The Outer Distance Mark has been changed as follows: Outer Limit Mark (Yellow Buoy with a Pale Orange Flag)

Areas that are obstructions

The Co-Ordinates of the Obstruction Area, TSS-Sunk Traffic Separation Scheme have been redefined and the new Latitude/Longitude of the Scheme is given below:

Obstruction	Co-ordinates of Vertices (Latitude/Longitude (WGS84)	
TSS – Sunk Traffic Separation Scheme South	A – 51 42.17N / 01 43.22E	B - 51 42.66N / 01 50.14E
	C - 51 38.35N / 01 43.75E	D - 51 38.83N / 01 50.83E

END OF AMENDMENTS

PART 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD AND SAFETY CHECK

Every yacht shall pass close by the Committee Boat and inform the PRO of the number of persons on board. At this point all crew on the racing yacht must be wearing lifejackets and the Life Raft must be in a place visible to the Race Officer.

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
06:50	Orange 10 Minute Time Check	1 Sound Signal
06:55	Classes 3, 2, & 1 Warning Signal Numeral Pennants 3, 2 & 1 raised	1 Sound Signal
06:56	Class 3, 2 & 1 Preparatory Signal Code Flag P raised	1 Sound Signal

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06:59 Preparatory Flag lowered 1 Long Sound Signal

07:00 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 Race Officer at Ostend 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, Skippers are reminded of RRS 48 and their responsibility to comply with Rule 10, Traffic Separation Schemes, of the IRPCAS.

5. RETIREMENTS

Yachts retiring should inform the PRO as soon as possible by telephone, 07793 372548 or VHF ch72 or inform UK Coastguard on +44 (0) 1255 675518 or by VHF that they have retired and their intentions.

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 OOSTENDE

The Race Officer may record approximate times from the new outer Pier Head; 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 North Sea 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 TEXTED to 0044 (0)7793 372548 attention of EAORA Chief 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 OSTEND

Please assist the Race Officer, Paul Wood, by advising him when you estimate you are 30 minutes from the Finish Line using VHF Channel 72, Call sign, Offshore One or mobile telephone - 0044 (0)7768 351048 When finishing at Oostende, please take due regard to the harbour entry lights when entering the harbour at Oostende, if in any doubt it is advisable to call the Oostende Port Authority on Channel 09.

END OF PART TWO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RACE SUPPORT INFORMATION

- 1. **SCHENGEN AREA** All skippers are reminded that they must complete a Schengen form and hand it to the harbour master at the Royal North Sea Yacht Club in Oostende.
- 2. **Oostende Moorings & Fees** –Yachts should make their way to the Montgomery Dock (RNSYC Marina) where arrangements have been made by the Harbour Master to keep space for the fleet. Check with the EAORA Representative on arrival for mooring fees.

- 3. 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 the length of time a mooring will be needed. Launchman Mobile: 07752 309435.
- 4. **Prizegiving** At Oostende it will take place at the Royal North Sea Yacht Club on Saturday 15th September at 1200 local time (1100 BST).
- **5.** West Mersea Restaurant facilities at the start Restaurant facilities will be available on Thursday evening 13th September 2018 from **1900 hours until 2130 hours**. Our chef would greatly appreciate advanced bookings please ring on 01206 382947(Office hours) or 01206 **384463(Restaurant)**.
- 6. West Mersea Launch service Thursday 13th September 2018 Our launch service will run until 1730 hours and will be "on call" during the evening for later arrivals, Call sign YC1 on VHF 37(M1). An evening launch service, from the Hammerhead, will run from 2100 hours until approximately 2245 hours. 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.
 - **Friday 14th September** There will be a limited launch service on Friday morning for the Committee Vessel crew from 0530 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. 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 car 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, 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.

DIAGRAM A - FINISH LINE AT OSTEND

