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PATTINSON CUP RACE

Sunday 7th May 2017

Part 2 Sailing Instructions

1. TIME CHECK

The Race Committee will broadcast a time check by VHF radio (channel 72) at 08:50 using a countdown procedure. (EAORA Part 1 SI's 12)

2. START SEQUENCE

The following 5-4-1-0 start sequence will be used at 10 minute intervals (RRS A26 and EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 12.4, 12.5 and 12.6)

<u>Time</u>	<u>Flag Displayed</u>	<u>Sound Signal</u>
08:55	Class 3 Warning Signal Numeral Pennant 3 raised.	1 Sound Signal
08:56	Class 3 Preparatory Signal Code Flag P raised	1 Sound Signal
08:59	Preparatory Flag lowered	1 Long Sound Signal
09:00	Numeral Pennant 3 lowered	1 Sound Signal <u>Start Class 3</u>
09:05	Class 2 & 1 Warning Signal Numeral Pennants 2 & 1 raised	1 Sound Signal
09:06	Class 2 & 1 Preparatory Signal Code Flag P raised	1 Sound Signal
09:09	Preparatory Flag lowered	1 Long Sound Signal
09:10	Numeral Pennants 2 & 1 lowered	1 Sound Signal <u>Start Class 2 & Class 1</u>

3. PREPARATORY SIGNALS

International Code Flag P will be used for the initial start for each Class, however the Race Committee may select any of the following Preparatory Signals for starts that have been 'General Recalled'. (RRS 26 refers):-

P or I or Z or U or I+Z or Black

4. START & FINISH LINES

The Start and Finish Lines will be as defined in the Notice of Race for the Pattinson Cup 2017 on EAORA Web Site.

5. GENERAL RECALLS

Should a Class start be a 'General Recall', 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)

6. YACHTS OCS AT THE START

The numbers or names of yachts OCS may be broadcast by the Race Committee (EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 Para 12.9).

7. COURSE TO BE SAILED

The Course to be sailed will be indicated by the Code Flag displayed by the Committee Boat; either Course A, Course B, Course C as defined in Notice of Race or Course D as broadcast on VHF.

If "Course A or B" is selected - to avoid confusion the Holland Gap Diffusers Buoy is a Green Conical Buoy approximate position 51° 48.10 N, 01° 13.45E. Be aware that there are Yellow Buoys in this area – they are start lines for the local dinghy Clubs and also watch for various forms of fishing tackle in the water

8. SHORTENING OR CHANGING THE COURSE

The Committee may shorten in accordance with RRS 32 or change the course in accordance with the EAORA Sailing Instruction Part 1 paragraph 13.6. A competitor may ask for and receive information about either procedure without being subject to RRS 41, Outside Assistance.

END OF PART 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR COMPETITORS

(These notes are NOT part of the Sailing Instructions)

1. Committee Boat

By kind permission of Mr Andrew Wise, the Committee Vessel at the Start will be “Jane” a Fairey Huntsman with a white hull and dark blue coach roof flying an EAORA Flag.

By kind permission of Mr & Mrs Bolton the Committee Vessel at the Finish will be “Blue Horizon” a Dufour 38 Classic, flying EAORA Flags. The Race Officer will be Brian Bolton 07793372548.

2. Shortening the Course

Whilst there is no time limit for this race the race may be shortened at a turning mark. Competitors are reminded that if the race is shortened at a mark of the course then that mark ceases to be a mark of the course and becomes a finishing mark and as such loses its ‘defined side’. Should the Committee Boat be displaying Code Flag S at a turning mark, finish between the Committee Boat and the mark.

3. Ralph Herring Pre-race supper – Friday 5th May 2017 Please reply ASAP

Competitors are asked to let WMYC know how many yachts wish to stay for the evening and how many crew would like to dine in the Club. Crews who indicate that they would like to dine but subsequently are unable to do so are NOT under obligation to pay for meals not taken. The Club Restaurant will be open from 1900 to 2100, please book either with the Office (01206 382947 or the restaurant 01206 384463).

4. Pattinson Cup Pre-race supper

The Royal Burnham Yacht Club will have a Ralph Herring supper available on Saturday 6th May 2017 and all EAORA competitors are invited to attend. Please book with the RBYC on 012061 782044 to ensure food is available.

5. Results and Prize Giving for Pattinson Cup

If there is time for all race crews to get ashore the Race Committee will announce the results at WMYC as soon as possible after the race. Competitors are asked to let WMYC know how many yachts wish to stay for the evening. Unfortunately, dining Facilities at the Club are not available after 1600. If the race finishes too late for prize giving at the Club, prizes will be given at the EAORA Dinner. Results will be published on the WMYC and EAORA Web sites as soon as possible after the race.

6. Launch Service & Moorings

Burnham on Crouch

The RBYC Launch Service (call sign RB1 on VHF37) will be available all afternoon/evening for the end of the Ralph Herring race on Saturday 6th May 2017, competitors who anticipate requiring a launch are requested to contact the Club (info@rbyc.org.uk) in advance.

The launch service will run on Sunday 7th May 2017 from 0730 for the Pattinson Cup.

Competitors taking a swinging mooring from Priors Boat Yard (01621 782160 or thebridge@priorsboatyard.com) will have use of their Launch Service on request.

West Mersea

The Mersea Moorings Association have introduced mooring charges for visiting boats, please be advised as this is a race event the charge per night will be as follows:

35 feet and under - £5.00 Over 35 feet - £7.50

The fees will be collected by the launchman when the mooring is allocated.

On Friday 5th May 2017 our standard launch service will run until 2300 will be “on call” during the evening for returning crew to their yachts, Call sign YC1 on VHF 37a or channel M1. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AFTER 2300 HOURS.**

On Saturday 6th May 2017 for the Ralph Herring Race – a pre-race launch service will run from 0730 hours. This is primarily for the Committee Boat crew but can accommodate other crew.

On Sunday 7th May 2017 for the Pattinson Cup Race – a post-race launch service is available until 2130.

6. Accommodation

Accommodation is normally available at the RBYC for those wishing to stay ashore on Saturday 6th May 2017. Please contact the RBYC office 01621 782044 or email info@rbyc.org.uk. For more information.

7. Car Parking at West Mersea

Special Message due to the introduction of car parking charges and a change to parking regulations.

The car park immediately behind the WMYC Clubhouse has a stay limit of 12 hrs 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 have to pay, except after 1800 if you are visiting for the evening. You will receive a ticket if you park without a pay/display ticket showing the correct charge. Please do not leave vehicles parked in this park on a long-term basis.

Competitors wishing to leave cars at West Mersea please use the Club Car Park in City Road. 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 and obtain a temporary parking sticker. 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 50 metres) into City Road. The Car/Boat Park is on the right-hand side about another 50 metres along the road. Be aware that Club members may be still working on their boats in this area.