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PATTINSON CUP RACE

Saturday 5th May 2018

PART 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. 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 I+Z or Black.

2. 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)

3. START & FINISH LINES

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

4. 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)

Time	Flag Displayed Sound Signal		
07:55	Class 3 Warning Signal	Numeral Pennant 3 raised. 1 Sound Signal	
07:56	Class 3 Preparatory Signal	Code Flag P raised 1 Sound Signal	
07:59	Preparatory Flag lowered	1 Long Sound Signal	
08:00	Numeral Pennant 3 lowered	1 Sound Signal Start Class 3	
08:05	Class 2 & 1 Warning Signal	Numeral Pennants 2 & 1 raised 1 Sound Signal	
08:06	Class 2 & 1 Preparatory Signal	Code Flag P raised 1 Sound Signal	
08:09	Preparatory Flag lowered	1 Long Sound Signal	
08:10	Numeral Pennants 2 & 1 lowere	ed 1 Sound Signal Start Class 2 & Class 1	

5. HANDICAP CLASSES & CLASS FLAGS

Entrants should be aware that the EAORA Committee have revised the Handicap Classes in the Part 1 Sailing Instructions. This is repeated below:

For all EAORA races Competitors will be categorised in the following classes. Class Flags shall be flown from the backstay (or nearest equivalent) when racing.

Class		Class Flag
One	1.025 and above	IC Numeral 1
Two	1.024 to 0.960	IC Numeral 2
Three	0.959 and below	IC Numeral 3

6. 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)

7. 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 12.8).

8. 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 or Course D as defined in Notice of Race.

9. 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.

10. DECLARATIONS

In accordance with the Sailing Instructions Part 1 paragraph 15 Declarations are required for this race. Please text or email your declaration as per Part 1 paragraph 15.3 to Brian Bolton 07793372548 or brianfg.bolton@btinternet.com.

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 the Dabchicks Sailing Club the Committee Vessel at the Finish will be "Centenary" a Mitchell 33 motor vessel, flying an EAORA Flag. The Race Officer will be Paul Jackson 07463 369419.

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. Pattinson Cup Pre-race supper- Please reply ASAP

The Royal Burnham Yacht Club will have a hot buffet supper available on Friday 4th July 2018 and all EAORA competitors are invited to attend. Please book with the RBYC on 01621 782044 to ensure food is available.

4. Prize Giving Party and Results for Pattinson Cup - Please reply ASAP

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 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 will provide a choice of supper from 1930, skippers should arrange to pay for all beverages before leaving the Club. Please Book with the Club as soon as possible. (01206 384463 – Restaurant or 01206 382947 – Office)

5. Launch Service - Burnham on Crouch

The RBYC Launch Service (call sign RB1 on VHF37) will be available on Friday 4th May evening from 1600 until late, on Saturday 5th May from 0730 and on Sunday afternoon. Please discuss any specific requirements with the Club in advance.

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

6. Launch Service - West Mersea

On Saturday 5th May 2018 our standard launch service will run until 2300 hours and will be "on call" during the evening for returning Crews to their yachts. Call sign YC1 on VHF 37a or channel M1. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AFTER 2300 HOURS.

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 WMYC Launchman when the mooring is allocated.

On Sunday 6th May 2018 for the Ralph Herring Race – a pre-race launch service will run from 0630 hours. This is primarily for the Committee Boat crew but can accommodate other crew.

7. Accommodation

Accommodation is normally available at the RBYC for those wishing to stay ashore on Friday 4th May or Sunday 6th May 2018. Please contact the RBYC office 01621 782044 or email info@rbyc.org.uk.

8. Car Parking at West Mersea – Special Message due to the introduction of car parking charges and new parking restrictions at WMYC.

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 now must pay. You will receive a ticket 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, 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 when getting your parking sticker.