

NOTICE OF RACE

THAMES ESTUARY SHIELD

SUNDAY 21st MAY 2017

Burnham-on-Crouch to Harwich
EAORA Overall Series
EAORA Youth Programme Race

Organising Authority: Royal Corinthian Yacht Club

Prize giving: To be advised.

High Water: Burnham-on-Crouch; 0858 BST 4.3M Harwich; 1942 BST 3.4M

General Conditions for Entry: All Entrants must comply with the requirements of the EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1.

Safety: ISAF Special Regulations Category 3 with Category 2 Life Raft.

Warning Signals: Class III 0855; Class II 0905; Class I 0915
Refer to EAORA Sailing Instructions Part 1 for Class Handicaps.

Start Line: A line between the Branklet Buoy and the main mast of the Committee Vessel lying to the north of the buoy. Cross the line in an easterly direction leaving the Committee Vessel and any inner limit mark to port and the Branklet Buoy to starboard.

Course A: Inner Crouch (P); Crouch (P); Outer Crouch No.3 (P); Sunken Buxey (S); Whitaker No. 5 (P); Whitaker No.4 (S); Whitaker (P); Gunfleet Spit (P); N.E. Gunfleet (P); Medusa (P); Wallet No.2 (P); NE Gunfleet (P); Cork (S); Stone Banks (S); Finish Line. (47 Nmiles Approximately)

Course B: Inner Crouch (P); Crouch (P); Outer Crouch No.3 (P); Sunken Buxey (S); Whitaker No. 5 (P); Whitaker (S); West Sunk (P); Gunfleet Spit (S); Sunk Head Tower (P); SE Roughs Tower (P); NW Roughs Tower (P); Cork Sand Yacht Beacon (P); Deane (S); Landguard (S); Finish Line. (46 Nmiles Approximately)

Course C: Inner Crouch (P); Crouch (P); Outer Crouch No.3 (P); Sunken Buxey (S); Whitaker No. 5 (P); Whitaker (S); Gunfleet Spit (P); N E Gunfleet (P); Medusa (S); Stone Banks (P); Landguard (S); Finish Line. (38 Nmiles approximately)

Finish Line: A line between the foremast of the Committee Vessel and the Harwich Town Sailing Club's Beacon Hill racing mark (located approximately 2 cables north of the seaward end of Dovercourt breakwater).

Trophies: THAMES ESTUARY SHIELD (1st OVERALL)

Entries Close: Friday 12th MAY 2017

Charts: 3750, 1975 and 3741 and Imray C1, Y17

Entry Fee: £35 - Late entries accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Electronic Payment to RCYC, Sort Code: 20-19-95 - Account: 63697487 (*Reference – Race Name/Boat Name*)

Notes: Competitors must remain out of the Deep Water & South Channels on the entry to Harwich Harbour. Competitors are advised to keep well clear of deep draught commercial vessels and stay within the recommended yacht tracks and avoid crossing the bows of oncoming traffic. Monitor VHF channel 71 at all times when within and approaching Harwich Harbour and Channel 14 when transiting the area of the Sunk Light Vessel. It is of the utmost importance that yachts should not in any way impede the progress of vessels in this area, as they are in the process of embarking/disembarking a pilot.

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