

MENGEHAM RYTHE SAILING CLUB
INTERNATIONAL CANOE OPEN MEETING SEPTEMBER 22ND & 23RD 2018 - NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY & RULES

- 1.1 The Organising Authority is MRSC ("the Club") and this term includes its officers, the sailing committee, the race officers and assistants, the patrol boat crews and any other person involved in running the event.
- 1.2 The 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall apply.

2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 2.1 Competitors are required to agree to be bound by the 'rules' and thereby accept that they participate at their own risk (RRS 4). By entering and racing they agree to this condition, and specifically acknowledge that:
- a) they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in dinghy racing and of their responsibility for the exposure of themselves and the boat to such risk and for the safety of the same whilst afloat;
 - b) they are responsible for any injury, damage or loss caused by their actions or omissions, and have valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of £2m;
 - c) their boat is fit, and its crew competent, to sail in the conditions likely to be encountered;
 - d) the provision of a race management team and patrol boats does not relieve them of their responsibilities and patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practicably provided in the circumstances.
- 2.2 Helms (and if under 18, their parent or guardian) must complete the entry form available with this Notice of Race and accept the disclaimers of liability therein.

3. ENTRY FEE

- 3.1 The entry fee shall be £35.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration at MRSC 08.30 – 09.00 Saturday when this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will be available.
- 4.2 There will be a briefing for competitors in the clubhouse on Saturday at 09.45.

Race Times	Warning signal	High Tide	Height
Saturday Race 1	09.55	11.03	4.3m
Race 2 & 3	Following Race 1		
Sunday Race 4	09.55	11.37	4.5m
Race 5	Following Race 4		

5. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 Class flag shall be: N P 1.

6. COURSES AND RACE AREA

- 6.1 Courses will be triangular or windward/leeward, laid in Chichester Harbour.
- 6.2 A chart of the racing area is attached to the sailing instructions.

7. SAFETY [AMENDING RRS 63.1]

- 7.1 Signing on/off: on entry each competitor will be given a numbered tally. This must be removed from the board situated in the club foyer, to signify that the competitor is going afloat, and returned to the board within 45 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day. Failure to comply will require a £5 donation to the RNLI, or, if not paid, disqualification without hearing, which shall not be discarded under 10.2.
- 7.2 Retirements: any competitor retiring from a race must notify the committee boat or a patrol boat as soon as possible, and once ashore must notify the onshore official that they have retired

8. TIME LIMITS

- 8.1 There is no race time limit; races are intended to last for approximately 50 minutes. An individual time limit may be applied under SI 7.1.

9. SHORTENING COURSES OR ABANDONING RACES [AMENDING RRS 32]

- 9.1 Courses may be shortened, or races abandoned, at the discretion of the Race Officer.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 Two races shall constitute a series.
- 10.2 Discards shall be: 1-2 races: 0; 3 or more races: 1.

11. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 11.1 Notices shall be posted on the official notice board in the clubhouse foyer.
- 11.2 Signals ashore shall be made from the Club flagstaff.
- 11.3 Changes to sailing instructions or this notice of race shall be posted at least two hours before the first race of the day.
- 11.4 Notice shall be posted of the time by which protests shall be lodged.
- 11.5 Notice of the time, parties and witnesses for a protest hearing shall be posted within 45 minutes of the protest time limit.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes shall be awarded according to the number of entries.

COMMODORE Ian Grant

RACE COMMITTEE

Adrian Buswell (PRO), David Proctor, Graeme Macdonald, Roger Kent.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

From: Graeme Macdonald, Robert Macdonald, David Proctor, Roger Houston,

SOCIAL EVENTS

Refreshments will be available to competitors after racing

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1. RULES

- 1.1 The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall apply.
- 1.2 Provisions as to Class flag, Safety, Scoring system, Time Limit, and Communication with competitors shall be as in the Notice of Race.

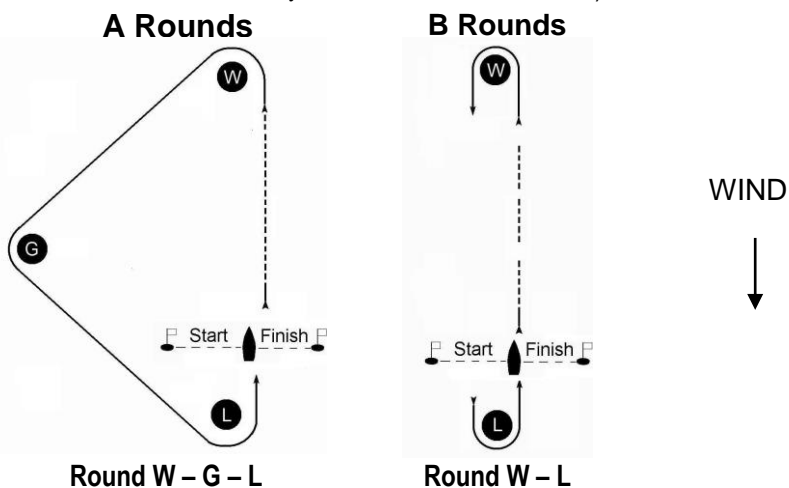
2. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 The time of the Warning signal for the first race each day shall be:
Saturday Race 1 09.55; **Sunday** Race 4 09.55.
- 2.2 A postponement signal shall precede the start sequence for subsequent races.

3. COURSES

- 3.1 **Courses** shall be a series of rounds to be sailed in the order as displayed under 3.3.b followed by a **final leg** to the Finish Line.

- 3.2 **Rounds** shall be configured as
(W = Windward mark; G = Gybe mark; L = Leeward mark.)



- 3.3 **Courses shall be displayed** for each class on a board showing
 - a. for marks W,G,L the colours of laid inflatable marks as being orange, subject to 5.1;
 - b. the rounds and their order.
- 3.4 **The course direction** is the side to which marks W,G and L shall be left, and shall be signalled by a rectangular red or triangular green flag indicating Port or Starboard respectively.
- 3.5 **A change before the start** in the course already displayed shall be signalled by hoisting Flag L over C until the warning signal.

4. STARTING and FINISHING

- 4.1 The starting and finishing lines shall both be in the same vicinity, and each shall be between the mast of the committee boat flying an orange flag and
 - for starting, a dan buoy flying an **ORANGE** flag;
 - for finishing, a dan buoy flying a **BLUE** flag.

5. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 5.1 A new mark W shall be a dumpy blue mark and a subsequent changed mark W shall revert to orange; other marks shall remain orange.
- 5.2 Mark G or L may be moved without a signal providing it is in its new position when the leading boat rounds the previous mark (**amending RRS 33**).

6. SHORTENED COURSE (amending RRS 32)

- 6.1 Boats shall round the mark at which the course is shortened and sail directly to the finishing line, except
 - 6.1.1 when a blue flag is flown below Code Flag S boats shall finish at the mark in accordance with RRS 32.2.

7. INDIVIDUAL TIME LIMITS (amending RRS 35 and A4)

- 7.1 The Race Officer may apply a time limit: boats not finishing within 15 minutes of the first boat shall score points for the positions after the last boat to finish according to their relative positions prior to the expiry of the limit at a mark, or marks, determined by the Race Committee. Expiry of the limit shall be signalled by code flag N over a blue flag with three sound signals.

8. PENALTIES and PROTESTS

- 8.1 Where a boat could have taken a penalty under RRS 31.2 (touching a mark) or 44.1 (a possible breach of a rule of Part 2) but did not, a 20% scoring penalty calculated under RRS 44.3(c) shall apply
 - 8.1.1 if the breach is acknowledged after finishing and before a protest hearing; or
 - 8.1.2 if both parties to a valid protest agree that it be arbitrated by a member of the protest committee and, subject to the arbitrator deciding that the protest should be heard under RRS 63.1, that the decision be regarded for purposes of the RRS as that of the protest committee (**amending RRS 63.1**).
- 8.2 Protests shall be lodged within 60 minutes of the finish of the last boat in the final race of the day.

CHART OF CHICHESTER HARBOUR
The chart does not form part of the Sailing Instructions

