



NOTICE OF RACE

EMSWORTH SAILING CLUB



Sir Peter Blake Pursuit Race

Saturday 21st October 2017

The organising authority will be Emsworth Sailing Club (ESC)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Sir Peter Blake Pursuit Race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The prescriptions of RYA will apply
- 1.3. The race will be managed by Emsworth Sailing Club (ESC).
- 1.4. RRS Part 5 Protests, Redress, and Hearings. Competitors may request an Advisory Hearing or an Arbitration Meeting before a formal Protest Meeting is held. Para 12 of the Sailing Instructions shall apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The race is open to all boats with a PY number of less than 1458 (Scow) as specified by the RYA Portsmouth Number List 2017. Either the helm or crew shall be a member of ESC or ESSC.
- 2.2. The Falcon Cup single hander race will be run concurrently with the pursuit race.
- 2.3. Race entries for each race in the series may be made on an Entry Form at Emsworth Sailing Club (where it is posted as a notice) or on an Entry Form at Emsworth Slipper Sailing Club.
- 2.4. An Entry will be valid only if:
 - it gives the sail number and class of the boat to be raced which is an Eligible Boat.
NOTE: It is essential that the sail number is clearly displayed on the sail.
 - it names her Helmsman and (where appropriate) her crew.
 - it is made at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the race being entered.

3. THE SCHEDULE

- 3.1. The first start will be 12:20 for classes with a PY of 1458.
- 3.2. Subsequent starts will be by PY number at 1 minute intervals as given in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3. The current Portsmouth Yardstick Numbers will be used to calculate the individual class start times.
- 3.4. The finish time will be 90 minutes after the first start, which will be 13:50.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. The sailing instructions will be available on the Emsworth Sailing Club notice board and website at least one day prior to the first race.

5. THE COURSE

- 5.1. The courses will be sailed in the Emsworth Channel and Sweare Deep area of Chichester Harbour.
- 5.2. The courses will be sailed around fixed racing and navigation marks.
- 5.3. The course to be sailed will be determined by the Race Officer at least 30 minutes before the first scheduled start and displayed from the Signal Boat.

6. SCORING

- 6.1. Race positions will be determined by the order of the boats on the course at the finish time.

7. PRIZES

- 7.1. The Sir Peter Blake Trophy will be awarded to the ESC sailor who has the highest position at the end of the race.
- 7.2. Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the ESC Sailing Committee.

8. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 8.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

9. RISK STATEMENT

- 9.1. Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 9.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

10. INSURANCE

- 10.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover at least £2,000,000 per incident.