

Saltash Sailing Club

COMMODORE'S CUP 2017

NOTICE OF RACE/SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SATURDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 2017

Sponsored by the China Fleet Country Club

1.0 ENTRIES:

- 1.1 This is a match racing event to be sailed in J24's open to any teams with a club member as helm. Entry forms are available from the Club or online at saltashsailingclub.co.uk and should be submitted by 18:00 on 8th September either in person or by email to Event Organiser - Chris Randall (chrisd.randall@hotmail.co.uk) or in person to Rear Commodore Sailing – Neil Trathen.
- 1.2 The maximum number of entries for the event is 10 and the entry fee is £20 per team (which will include pasties provided to all competitors).

2.0 SCHEDULE OF RACE:

The races will be sailed on Saturday 9th September. The format will be a round robin qualifier with all teams racing each other in 1:1 match racing (unless the number of entries is such that two pools are required), followed by a number of knockout stages dependent on the number of entries. The last race is intended to be completed by 17:00.

3.0 RACING AREA:

The racing area will either be in the Tamar north of the bridge in an area approximately between racing marks G (Brunel Green) and W (Warren Pt), or an approximate area in the mouth of the river Lynher where it meets the Tamar between racing marks L (Lynher) and I (Beggars Island). A map of the marks can be found in Appendix A of the Saltash Sailing Club SI's 2017. The exact area will be at the discretion of the race officer on the day dependent on prevailing wind and tide conditions.

4.0 SAFETY:

4.1 When yachts are racing within the boundaries of a port, they shall comply with such regulations that may be in force within that port. In particular, regulations regarding interference with the safe navigation of large vessels must be strictly observed. Any breach of such regulations may result in the yacht concerned being disqualified from the race in which she was sailing at the time or, if the breach is considered serious, such other races as the Race Committee may decide. In addition legal proceedings may be taken against the offender(s). Attention is drawn to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order (DPPO) 1999 and to

Plymouth Local Notice to Mariners. Copies are displayed on the SSC notice board, and QHM's website at www.qhmplymouth.org.uk

4.2 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety and nothing in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she may find herself. Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death, or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, and the Race Officer and sponsors.

4.3 All competitors under 18 years of age on the day of the event must wear personal flotation devices (that conform to rule 2.4 in the Saltash Sailing Club General Sailing Instructions 2017) at all times during the event when on the water.

4.3 The J24's provided to competitors for the event will be covered under the club's insurance. Competitors will be expected to adhere to normal racing rules and avoid a collision with another competitor in all circumstances. In the event of a fault incident resulting in damage or an insurance claim, competitors may be expected to contribute up to £75 towards the damage or insurance excess as appropriate at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

5.0 START TIMES:

There will be a skippers briefing for all teams held at 08:30 at Saltash Sailing Club, teams will be advised of the racing schedule at this point. It is intended for the first race start to be no earlier than 10:00 with teams being transferred to race boats by safety boat either from the committee boat, or Saltash Sailing Club dependent on the number of teams entered.

7.0 START LINE:

Committee boat start line. The Start Line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Committee Vessel and a laid outer distance mark.

8.0 COURSE

Races will be windward leeward, consisting of two laps with all marks being rounded to port, with the intention to set the leeward mark downwind of the start line to enable an upwind finish. Yachts must not pass through the line on the downwind legs. Yachts must pass through the line on the second upwind leg. The race officer may shorten the race at any stage with teams being notified verbally by either the race officer or on course umpires before they round the mark that will precede the revised finish line.

9.0 FINISH LINE:

Committee boat finish line. The Finish Line will be a line between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Committee Vessel and the ODM finishing in an upwind direction.

10.0 TIME LIMIT:

There is no time limit, however the intention is to have completed all races by 17:00

11.0 RESULTS AND PRIZEGIVING:

The prize giving will be held in the Clubhouse on completion of racing at approximately 1800 or as advised by the Race Officer. There will be individual bottle prizes for the first four teams, prizes for the first boat with a 'youth' helm, and the most improved crew (dependent on entrants – criteria to be advised by the event organiser and rear commodore sailing on the day), and the winner will also receive the 'Commodores Cup' trophy as well as a prize donated by the China Fleet Country Club.

Event Organiser

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Good Luck to all Competitors