



April Cruiser Racing Series 2008

Mumbles Yacht Club (MYC) & Swansea Yacht and Sub-aqua Club (SYSAC)

Notice of Race

1. Organizing Authority

1.1 The organising authority is MYC in conjunction with SYSAC.

2. Rules

2.1 Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to Competitors from the Organising Authority. If there is any conflict with a Sailing Instruction, the protest committee shall apply the one that is fairest for all boats affected.

2.2 Rubbish shall not be put overboard, competitors may approach Rescue & Support boats in-between races to pass on any unwanted rubbish they may have.

2.3 Competitors will give way to rescue and race management craft at all times.

3. Classes and eligibility

3.1 Racing will be in the IRC or PY fleets. Classes with 6 or more entries may have a class start.

3.2 IRC certificates may be asked for to validate IRC ratings for the year 2008.

4. Registration

Competitors can register by contacting Dai Thomas on 07968135550 or emailing at thewyndonarms@aol.com. Registration may also be asked for by VHF ch 37 on the day prior to racing. Those not establishing contact using the above methods **may** be deemed DNC or DNS (did not compete or did not start).

5. Sailing Instructions & Briefing

5.1 Sailing instructions will be issued via email and will be available from Mumbles Yacht Club's website 2 weeks prior to the first race scheduled.

6. Racing Programme

6.1 Sunday 6th April 1700
Saturday 12th April 1100
Sunday 13th April 1100
Sunday 20th April 1700
Saturday 26th April 1000
Sunday 27th April 1000

7. Courses and Racing Areas

7.1 Courses will be shown in the Sailing Instructions. The courses will be read out prior to the start of each race over VHF ch 37. If there is any confusion over which course is to be used, please contact Dai Thomas on 07968135550 or MYC on 01792 369321.

7.2 Competitors must allow at least 30 minutes to get to their respective race areas, the Race Committee will only give places to boats that start within 4 minutes of their starting signal.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 The event will be scored using the low points system in Appendix A. Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score excluded if 5 or more races have been completed.

9. Rights to use names and likenesses

- 9.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

- 10.1 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea competitors confirm the boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, 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. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.

11. Safety

- 11.1 All competitors, whilst afloat shall wear adequate personal buoyancy as directed by the skipper.

12. Insurance

Boats are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims of at least £2,000,000.

13. Trophies

Trophies will be awarded to the winner of each division/class. These will be perpetual trophies for the April series and can be kept by the winner until the following year.

14. Abandoned/cancelled races

In the event of a race(s) being cancelled or abandoned, where possible the race(s) will be re scheduled. Where this is not possible, the race may have to be abandoned altogether and the result will **not** count. This does **not** change rule 8. e.g. if one race is abandoned altogether, a total of 5 races will be sailed, therefore if a boat sails 5 races, she will have 1 discard available. If a boat only sails 4 out of 5 races in the series, she will have no discards, etc.