The Denise Cartlidge Ladies and Ancient Mariners' Races

4 & 5 September 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

a. The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble.
b. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the current version of the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the RYA Racing Charter will apply.
c. In case of a Stationary Committee Vessel start, RRS 26 is changed so that all visual and sound signals will be replaced with VHF communications.

2. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

a. Racing is open to boats of all classes, and all boats will race in one class under the VPRS handicap system.
b. Boats shall hold a valid current VPRS Rating Certificate which is available for £20 from Ruth Kelly. Email: ruth@vprs.org.
c. Yachts may elect to use their spinnaker or non-spinnaker rating. If the latter, that should be declared. See paragraph 6e below.
d. By entering, you agree to be added to the event Whatsapp groups.
e. For the Ancient Mariners' race, entrants should declare the average age of their crew. There is a rating advantage for older crews.

3. SAFETY and COMMUNICATIONS

a. Yachts shall comply at least with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 races and sports boats and day boats shall comply with the Royal Southern Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2020.
b. VHF radio: All boats shall carry functioning VHF radio capable of receiving all usual marine channels, including M1 (Ch.37).
c. All race communications will be made on **VHF Channel 37** and other useful communications will be made using the event Whatsapp group
d. Where possible, any changes in Sailing Instructions will be posted for two hours before the advertised starting time of the leg on the event Whatsapp group.

e. If possible, yachts should fly **Numeral Pennant 8** while racing.

4. SCHEDULE of EVENTS

The events will consist of one race per event. The start times will be at **11:00** on both days, in the vicinity of **Coronation Buoy (4B)**.

Time	Event
Not before 10:00	Competitors briefing on VHF Ch 37
10:30	Time check on VHF Ch 37
11:00	Start signal communicated on VHF Ch 37

5. RACE AREA, COURSE, THE START and THE FINISH

a. The race area shall be in the Central Solent unless communicated otherwise.
b. There are seven possible courses which are described by **Appendix A - Courses**. The course to be used will also be announced by VHF.
c. The races shall be started by a Stationary Committee Vessel.
d. The starting line will be between the Statutory Committee Vessel and the ODM.
    i. No visual or sound signals will be used. Communications will be on VHF only as follows:
        - 10.54 - 6 mins to start: Invisible AP down
        - 10.55 - 5 mins: Invisible class flag hoisted
        - 10.56 - Prep Signal announced - 4 mins to start: Invisible Prep Flag P hoisted
        - 10.59 - One minute signal: Invisible Prep Flag down
        - 11.00 - Start: Invisible Class Flag dropped
e. There will be no general or individual recalls. Yachts deemed OCS will incur a 5 minute time penalty
f. Yachts should record their own finishing times in Hours:Minutes:Seconds and declare them on the event WhatsApp group within 60 minutes of finishing. Also state “White Sails” if neither spinnaker nor code zero sails have been used.

6. TIME LIMITS and PROTESTS

a. The time limit for starting will be 5 minutes.
b. There is no time limit for finishing.
c. Due to the Social Distancing guidelines, there will not be a protest committee at the event. Boats infringing a rule should do a 360 degree turn on the water.
d. The Post-Race Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can

be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

7. PRIZES

The presentation of the main prizes and trophy will take place in the autumn at the annual prize-giving dinner.

8. RISK STATEMENT

a. 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.” 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:

   i. 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;
   ii. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
   iii. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
   iv. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
   v. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
   vi. The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances;
   vii. They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew; and
   viii. Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2 million against third party claims.

b. Any inspection of a boat by the race organiser does not reduce the responsibilities set out in this paragraph.

9. PERSONAL INFORMATION

The personal information that owners, charterers, competitors and others provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the event. If they have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules

that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If they are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Their personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

For any further information please contact Matthew Richardson on 07802 796502 or matthew@ayaya.co.uk or Craig Cossar on 07590 363874 or craig@thevitalspark.co.uk.

APPENDIX A – The Courses

COURSE 1

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4H	East Knoll	1.67	163	1.67	Starboard
3W	Williams Shipping	1.33	235	3.00	Port
4W	Ancasta	2.51	087	5.51	Port
4S	Royal Southern	1.62	341	7.13	Port
4N	QXI International	1.62	191	8.75	Starboard
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	2.53	335	11.28	Finish (Starboard)

COURSE 2

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4S	Royal Southern	1.55	116	1.55	Starboard
3W	Williams Shipping	2.58	230	4.13	Port
4Q	John Fisher	2.19	55	6.32	Starboard
4N	QXI International	1.2	185	7.52	Starboard
4J	Hamblewinterseries	1.44	341	8.96	Port
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	1.11	326	10.07	Finish (Starboard)

Course 3

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4N	QXI International	2.53	155	2.53	Starboard
3W	Williams Shipping	1.68	268	4.21	Starboard
4H	East Knoll	1.33	55	5.54	Port
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	1.67	343	7.21	Finish (Starboard)

COURSE 4

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4V	Hamble Yacht Services	2.36	127	2.36	Starboard
4E	Jane	1.56	253	3.92	Port
40	Fastnet Insurance	2.12	90	6.04	Starboard
4N	QXI International	1.48	255	7.52	Starboard
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	2.53	335	10.05	Finish (Starboard)

COURSE 5

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4Q	John Fisher	1.62	132	1.62	Port
4L	William	0.75	320	2.37	Starboard
4V	Hamble Yacht Services	1.48	128	3.85	Port
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	1.55	297	6.28	Finish (Starboard)

COURSE 6

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4C	Fumesy	0.35	163	0.35	Port
4R	Darling Buoy	1.11	92	1.46	Starboard
3Y	West Knoll	2.21	218	3.67	Port
4F	Royal Thames	0.58	113	4.25	Port
4Q	John Fisher	1.5	33	5.75	Port
4E	Jane	1.13	226	6.88	Port
4V	Hamble Yacht Services	1.56	73	8.44	Starboard
4N	QXI International	1.17	223	9.61	Starboard
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	2.53	335	12.14	Finish (Starboard)

COURSE 7

Mark	Name	Distance	Bearing	Cumulative	Side
4B	Coronation				Start
4G	Cutter	0.46	103	0.46	Starboard
4K	Royal London YC	3.31	177	3.77	Port
4U	Goodall Roofing	1.03	74	4.8	Starboard
43	Yawl	1.29	102	6.09	Port
3W	Williams Shipping	3.61	287	9.7	Starboard
4W	Ancasta	2.51	87	12.21	Port
4B	Coronation Bearing 090 Distance 50m	2.93	319	15.14	Finish (Starboard)