

# **Sunderland to Whitby Overnight Race Friday 20th June 2008**

## **GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. Rules**

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS 2005-2008, the prescriptions of the RYA, The International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, NECRA 2008 rules and the following SI's.

### **2. Conditions of Entry**

- Boats must be registered with NECRA prior to the start of this event.
- It is requested that boats post their intention to race on the NECRA website.
- Yachts may be inspected before or after races at the discretion of the committee.

### **3. Notices to Competitors**

Notices will be posted in the foyer of Sunderland Yacht Club. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 90 minutes before the start.

### **4. Signals made Ashore**

Any signals made ashore will be displayed at SYC Flagstaff.

### **5. Protests**

Protests, accompanied with a fee of £5, must be submitted by 17.00 Saturday to Whitby Yacht Club.

### **6. Radio Communication**

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

### **7. Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See RRS rule 4 Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during or after this event.

### **8. Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000.

## 9. Safety

ISAF Cat 4. Liferafts are strongly recommended.

## 10. Upgang Rocks

Attention is drawn to the fact that an area of rocks extends well offshore from Upgang Ravine, west of the Race Station, at Whitby, as charted. They are weed covered and have a charted depth of 1 metre at MLWS with seas breaking on them in strong N winds.

## 11. Retirements

Any boat retiring from the race must inform the Race Committee at the destination Club and broadcast to the fleet on VHF channel M1.

**Whitby Race Control Tel: 07786 289 393**

## 12. Schedule of Races

Start Time	HW Sunderland	HW Whitby	Bridge Whitby
All Classes 21:30 BST	Fri 17:40	Sat 06:49	Sat 04:50-08:40 and Special at 09:30

## 13. VHF Channels

Sunderland Race Committee and Whitby Race Station will operate on VHF CH37/M/M1.

## 14. Start Line

The start will be water bourne outside Sunderland Harbour using the Sunderland Y.C. Committee Boat 'Southern Star'.

The Start Line will be between an orange flag on SYC Committee Boat and an Outer Distance Mark (spherical buoy with a flag). An Inner Distance Mark may be laid, if so, no yachts shall pass between it and the Committee Boat.

## 15. Start Procedure

Time			
2125	All Class Warning	Numeral Pennant No 1	
2126	Preparatory	Numeral Pennant No 1	Inter'l Code Flag "P"
2129	One -Minute	Numeral Pennant No 1	Inter'l Code Flag "P" Removed
2130	All Class Start	All Flags Removed	

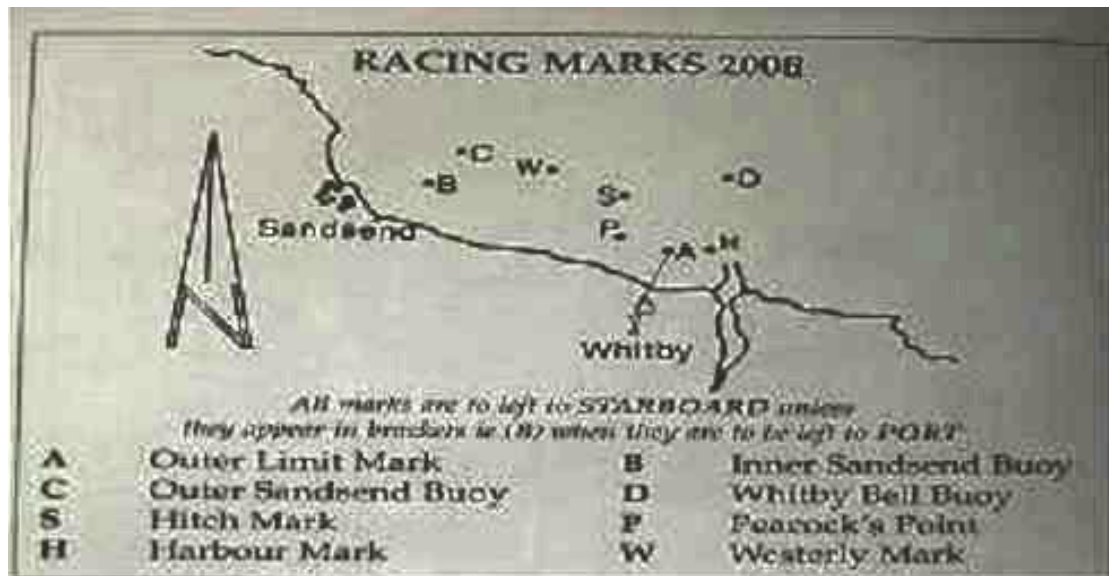
## 16. Course

Start (North to South), Whitby YC Finish Line (West to East).

### 17. Finish Line

A line between the Race Station and WYC Race Mark "A", the Limit Mark.

Mark "A" is a 1.5m x 0.6m cylinder, approx: 54°29'.79N 000°37".02W (Datum WGS84)



Please be advised that the race station may not be manned. Whitby Race Station operates on VHF Ch 37. It would be appreciated if the first boat entering Sandsend Bay would try to contact the Race Station. Boats should record their own finishing time (preferably using GPS time) and to record the names of the boat finishing both ahead and astern of them.

The Race Station is a white hut on The West Cliff about 200m from Whitby Harbour. During the hours of darkness it will be showing a continuous RED Light. One white light may be shown for approximately 5 seconds when the first boat of each class crosses the finishing line. If time permits, subsequent finishers may also receive a light.

### 18. Time Limit

14:30 Saturday 21st June.

All Competitors please be informed that for the purpose of interpreting The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea: Part C: Lights and Shapes: Rule 20 - the following should be noted;

Sunset 20th June, 2008, 21:48 BST

Sunrise 21st June, 2008, 04:27 BST

