Saltash Sailing Club

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NOTICE OF RACE
&
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Dear Club Members and Competitors,

We are mindful that the cloud of the Covid Pandemic will be with us for some time. To that end the club has taken guidance from the Government and RYA to operate a Covid secure operation and put on a programme of racing for this year. It is of-course essential that the club's activities are respectful of the restrictions and guidance and therefore the overriding mantra is to be **considerate** of others and **cautious** in our actions, both ashore and afloat.

As a start it is intended that all yachts will be craned back into the water during the weekend, 1st and 2ndof May. All cradles will need to be dismantled and moved to the storage locations to allow the receipt of dinghies into the yard for the start of Tuesday evening dinghy racing to commence.

Initially, racing in our home waters will be adjusted to ensure a Covid secure environment both afloat and ashore. Our Spring Series for yachts, in Plymouth Sound over the weekend of 29th and 30th May, has been adjusted to account for previously organised events by our neighbouring club. Races will be offered for MOCRA, IRC, NHC (PPSA Port handicap), J24 and white sail classes.

Our Thursday evening yacht racing will be offered for both IRC and Handicap classes, should sufficient yacht numbers enter, as well as J24. On the issue of handicaps, it is intended to continue with the smoothed NHC system for Club races which appeared to have settled down well last season. Where possible, the Handicap classes will be separated into "A" and "B" classes. Handicaps will be reviewed and adjusted, if necessary, at the end of each Thursday evening series. To differentiate from other handicaps systems used within the port this handicap system will continue to be referred to as 'SSC Club Handicap'.

For dinghy racing to start on the 4th May, it is important that dinghy owners take account of the restricted yard space while yachts are craned into the water and cradles dismantled. It is intended that the 2nd series will have 2 races per evening, where possible.
The Sailing Club will join in the traditional Saltash Regatta by offering Pursuit Racing for Dinghies. The date for the regatta is still be confirmed.

Once again space within the dinghy park will be at a premium and will need careful management with spaces/areas being allocated for members and competitors. Please can all dinghies and tender owners contact the Club Administrator, in the first instance, who will allocate a space for you while the dinghy registration form and fee payment can be made via the club website, before bringing your boat onto Club premises. The club will continue to operate the system of recognisable storage stickers for all dinghy and tender types stored on club premises. Please ensure that your dinghy contains the correct sticker for the time of year.

The Sailing Committee wishes you an enjoyable 2021 season.

Best Regards

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Saltash Sailing Club Events 2021

CLUB	
11th March	SPRING SAILING FORUM
1st May	1st CRANE IN
2nd May	2nd CRANE IN
7th October	AUTUMN SAILING FORUM
16th October	1st CRANE OUT
30th October	2nd CRANE OUT
8th January 2022 (tbc)	3rd CRANE OUT

YACHT *Up to date IRC certificates must be produced when initially entering races or no result will be given.*	
6th May – 10th June	1st THURSDAY SERIES (up to 6 races)
29th May – 30th May	COMBINED MARINE SERVICES - SPRING SERIES (2 days, 5 races)
17th June	LADIES HELM
24th June – 29th July	2nd THURSDAY SERIES (up to 6 races)
5th June	ULLMANS PRS PLYMOUTH to FOWEY
6th June	ULLMANS PRS FOWEY to PLYMOUTH (Plym YC)
5th Aug	ULLMAN SAILS YOUTH RACE
9th July – 10th July	PPSA YACHT REGATTA
12th Aug – 16th Sept	3rd THURSDAY SERIES (up to 6 races)
4th/5th Sept	COMMODORES CUP (Match racing)
19th Sept – 24th Oct	AUTUMN SERIES (up to 6 races)
1st January 2022	NEW YEAR'S DAY RACE

DINGHY	
4th May – 15th June	1st DINGHY SHACK TUESDAY SERIES (up to 7races)
22nd Jun – 27th July	2nd DINGHY SHACK TUESDAY SERIES (up to 12 races)
12th – 13th June	PPSA REGATTA
3rd Aug – 14th Sept	3rd DINGHY SHACK TUESDAY SERIES (up to 7 races)
4th Sept	TOWN REGATTA (AM & PM Dinghy Pursuit Races)
18th Sept – 23rd Oct	COMBINED SSC/TRSC AUTUMN SERIES (up to 6 races)

Saltash Sailing Club Notice of Race and General Sailing Instructions (GSI's)

1 RULES

1.1 All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021 - 2024), the Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association and Class Rules of one design classes, except as amended by these Sailing Instructions. All races are designated Category C.

1.2 During the period of restrictions due to Covid 19, the guidance and regulations issued by the Government and DCMS and including the RYA's guidance titled, **'RYA guidance on sailing and racing with participants from different households during the Covid-19 in England'** **https://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/clubs/RYA%20Sailing%20%26%20Racing%20in%20Mixed%20Households.pdf** shall be used by all yacht and dinghy skippers and their crew to determine the proximity of crew members permitted on the vessel for the act of racing. It is the responsibility of the skipper to inform their crew of the latest RYA guidance, when issued, and discuss the actions necessary to reduce the spread of the Covid-19 virus, whilst afloat, ashore and transferring from one to the other. This instruction includes the "vaccination period" when transmission of the virus is still possible.

1.3 All skippers are reminded of the need to take a **cautious** approach and to be **considerate** of others whilst on the water and when choosing equipment to be used during racing, bearing in mind the possible reduced number of crew and the mitigating measures necessary when 'Social Distancing' is reduced to less than 2 metres.

1.4 While the Covid restrictions apply, the primary guidance whether ashore, launching/recovering tenders or dinghies, when afloat, including racing is:

- No more than 6 persons may gather (Rule of 6)
- Social distancing - 2 metres apart or 1 metre with mitigation measures
- Mitigating actions in line with the RYA guidance, as mentioned above

1.5 PPSA has introduced a Code Red policy, please refer to the PPSA rules for the port.

2 ENTRIES

2.1 Eligible boats must be entered by completing the registration form online **before the start of the race** and paying the appropriate entry fee as specified in these instructions, or its result may not be counted. Entry forms and fee payment are available on-line via the SSC website. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

2.2 Boats shall comply with such regulations as may be in force within the Royal Dockyard Port of Plymouth. In particular, regulations regarding the safe navigation of large vessels shall be strictly observed. Competitors are referred to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 2020, a copy of which is displayed on the club notice board and to the local Notices to Mariners. Any breach of such regulations may result in the boat concerned being disqualified from the race in which she was sailing at the time or, in serious cases, from such other races in the event as the Sailing Committee may decide.

2.2.1 When racing in the vicinity of moorings and moored boats, yachts and dinghies shall sail with due regard to the risk of collision. Particular caution shall be exercised in strong winds or gusty conditions when sailing within the trotted moorings. Any boat which causes damage to a moored boat should immediately retire from the race in which she was sailing at the time. In serious cases of poor seamanship, a boat may be disqualified from such other races in the event as the Sailing Committee may decide.

2.3 The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither these Sailing Instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

2.4 Yachts and dinghies shall be adequately insured for third party racing cover (Minimum £3,000,000).

2.5 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (Addition to RRS 1.2 and 40, Change to RSS 63.1)

2.5.1 Competitors in dinghy racing shall wear personal flotation devices at all times. Wet suits or dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. Offending boats will be disqualified by the Race Committee without protest.

2.5.2 In addition, each competing dinghy shall have a painter attached to the bow of the boat that is sufficiently long for rescue by a safety boat. Those boats that wish to attach this painter to the mast, must lead it through a bow eye or cleat and have sufficient length available from the bow.

2.6 A tally system will be used for dinghy racing to indicate the intention of launching and as evidence that the boat and crew have returned. The tally board will be situated in or near the race office. Tally numbers will be allocated on entry. Before launching the person in charge of the boat (see RRS 46 "Person in charge") shall remove the tally bearing its identification number and place it in the box marked "I intend to race". Within 30 minutes of the last boat of a competitors associated class completing the final race of the day or immediately upon coming ashore if retiring, place the tally in the box marked 'I have finished' and complied with all the rules or 'I have retired'. Competitors failing to comply with this SI will be scored DSQ without a hearing.

2.7 Competing yachts shall fly a distinguishing pennant corresponding to their Class.

2.8 For yachts competing in NHC Classes, the races will be for monohulls rated under the RYA NHC Scheme using initial base numbers as administered by the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association.
The fixed PPSA Port Handicaps will be used for SSC open events; namely the Spring Series, the Ullman PRS Plymouth to Fowey race, The New Year's Day race and the Town Regatta. NHC class yachts competing in the Thursday Series 1, 2, and 3, the Ladies Helm, Youth Helm, and the Autumn Series will use the 'SSC Club Handicap' rating. Handicaps will be based on the NHC and PPSA Port Handicap base numbers and will be fixed for each series. Fixed handicap ratings may be adjusted for the first race of each series; a list of current 'SSC Club Handicaps' will be displayed on the Club notice board.

2.9 A temporary handicap for new competitors may be given at the discretion of the Race Officer.

2.10 If the IRC or NHC Handicap or SSC Club Handicap of a competing boat is changed, the new TCC will be used but the boat will not change Class within a series.

2.11 Yachts competing in IRC Classes must have a valid IRC Certificate issued by the RORC, Seashore Building, Bath Road, Lymington, Hants, S041 3SE. Telephone 01590 677030. FAX 01590 679478.
e-mail: info@rorcrating.com

2.12 A copy of each yacht's current IRC certificate is to be lodged with the Race Committee prior to racing in a club event.

2.13 For yachts racing in IRC Classes IRC rule 22.4.2 (crew number/weight) will not apply for the purpose of racing under these instructions. Yachts racing in a one-design class shall conform to their one-design class rules.

2.14 Yachts competing in the MOCRA class must have a current MOCRA rating.

2.15 Dinghy Racing - The RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme will be used. Portsmouth Yardstick numbers will be those published in the list for each class, adjusted as necessary for variations from Base Rig. Dinghies without PY numbers published in the current list will be allocated numbers by the use of the trial number.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the Race Office at Saltash Sailing Club.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Any changes in Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board not later than one hour before the start of any race. Oral instructions may be given regarding the description and location of mark "X" and “Z” and on occasions when instruction 5.5 is used. For yacht races a broadcast message may be transmitted on VHF Ch 37 providing details of course changes or detailing boats subject to recall. The failure to receive such transmissions shall not constitute grounds for redress

5 SIGNALS

5.1 All signals will be in accordance with RRS RACE SIGNALS (except as modified by these sailing instructions) and will be displayed on the Saltash Sailing Club Flagstaff except for 5.5.

5.2 "C" Change of course after the start signal means:
The course has been changed from that previously set. This signal will be repetitive sound signals, when the lead boat approaches the start/finish line and repeated for all subsequent boats. It shall be the sole responsibility of each boat to ascertain the revised course (See 16.1).

5.3 "U" over "S" - Shorten Course Signal
Means: Finish the race when next crossing the Finishing Line proceeding up river.

5.4 "D" over "S" - Shorten Course Signal
Means: Finish the race when next crossing the Finishing Line proceeding down river.

5.5 Flag "S" displayed from a boat adjacent to a mark of the course
Means: Round this mark and proceed to the finish line.

5.6 Flag “W” – On the water finishing
Means: Dinghies that have not yet finished will be scored with their class position on the water.

5.7 Failure to comply with race signals, for whatever reason, will not give grounds for redress.

6 CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

6.1 **Yachts:**

IRC A	Numeral Pennant 1
IRC B	Numeral Pennant 2
IRC C	Numeral Pennant 3
NHC/Club Handicap A	Numeral Pennant 4
NHC/Club Handicap B	Numeral Pennant 5
NHC/Club Handicap C	Numeral Pennant 6
J24	Flag J
MOCRA	Numeral Pennant 8
White Sail Class	Code Flag “W”

6.2 **Dinghies:**

Slow Handicap	Code Flag "K"
Medium Handicap	Code Flag "G"
Fast Handicap	Code Flag "Z"
Laser Classes	Code Flag “V”

7 SAILOVERS

7.1 Where only one boat starts a race, that race will be abandoned and no result given. Flag "N" over "H" will be raised above the Class flag.

8 THE RACING AREAS

8.1 Are as shown in the Appendices A & B attached.

9 COURSES AND MARKS

9.1 The marks to be used will be indicated by lettered boards, which will be displayed on the sea wall adjacent to the pontoon or on the committee boat. All marks are rounding marks for the purpose of RRS 28, except when sailing a part of the course in accordance with the instructions at 9.2 when marks may be passed on the side indicated. This changes RRS 28.2. The letters refer to various buoys as listed in Appendices A and B. The letters will be on a RED or GREEN background, indicating PORT or STARBOARD hand respectively. The boards are to be read from left to right. Boards representing the Class flags will precede the mark boards if different courses are set for each Class. The course will be from the start line, round the buoys in the order indicated and thence to the Finish line. Five rounds will be sailed unless signals to shorten course are displayed.

9.2 Course marks between brackets [ ]. A number followed by bracketed letters indicates marks to be repeated in sequence for as many times as the number preceding the bracket indicates. Bracketed marks are to be sailed after any un-bracketed marks preceding the number and before any un-bracketed marks following the brackets.

e.g. 2 (L F) G = YOU SAIL :- L. F. L. F. G.
H 2 (L F) G = YOU SAIL :- H. L. F. L. F. G.

9.3 RACE MARKS WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPENDICES A & B AND SPECIFIC TURNING MARKS FOR COASTAL RACES

10 PROHIBITED AREAS

10.1 Boats shall not pass between Drake's Island and Mount Edgecumbe.

10.2 Between 1 April and 31 October boats, whilst racing, are prohibited from entering the Cattewater Mooring Area located north of Mountbatten peninsula and south of the Plym navigation channel. Boats must remain north of a line extending from the westerly mooring buoy positioned on the south side of the Plym navigation channel, east through each mooring buoy on the northern boundary of the Controlled Mooring Area and west of a line extending from the most westerly mooring buoy on the south side of the Plym navigation channel due south to the Mountbatten peninsula. The prohibited area defined above ranks as an obstruction to sea room under RRS.
NB. Any infringement of this rule may result in the boat concerned being disqualified from the race in which she was sailing at the time or, in serious cases, from such other races as the Protest Committee may decide.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

12 START LINE

12.1 SALTASH SAILING CLUB HOUSE START LINE. The Start Line will be an extension of a line through the SSC Flagstaff and the Transit Post. Inner and Outer distance marks will not be used. NOTE: The Outer Transit Post may be moved at the discretion of the Race Officer.

12.2 COMMITTEE VESSEL START LINE. The Start Line will be a line between a mast displaying an Orange Flag on the Committee Vessel and an outer distance mark (ODM). The ODM will be identified by a letter corresponding to marks in accordance with Appendix A or B as appropriate and displayed on a board attached to the aforementioned mast.

13 DUTY TO KEEP CLEAR (Addition to RRS 24, change to RRS 44)

13.1 A boat whose Warning Signal has not been made shall KEEP CLEAR OF THE START LINE AREA and not impede the starting of a boat whose Warning Signal has been made. Failure to comply with this instruction may lead to protest by a boat whose start has been impeded and/or the Race Committee. In this case RRS 44, the taking of a penalty at the time of the incident shall not be available.

14 INDIVIDUAL RECALL

14.1 When, at her starting signal, if any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the Starting Line, the “X” flag will be hoisted and a second sound signal will be made. When such boats are wholly on the pre-start side of the Starting Line or 4 minutes after the starting signal, whichever is the earliest, the “X” flag will be lowered. The onus of returning to start correctly lies entirely with the boats concerned.

14.1.1 A broadcast message may be transmitted on VHF Ch 37 at least one minute after the Start detailing boats subject to recall. The failure to receive such transmissions shall not constitute grounds for redress

15 GENERAL RECALL (Exception to RRS 29.2)

15.1 "First Substitute" - General Recall Signal
Means:
The Class is recalled for a new start in accordance with instruction 15.2. This signal will be lowered after 4 minutes. The lowering of the "First Substitute" will not be accompanied by any sound signal.

15.2 In the event of a General Recall, the Class or Classes concerned will start at 5 minute intervals after the last Class in the programme and in the same order as that in which the General Recall occurs.

16 CHANGE OF COURSE (Amends RRS 33)

16.1 The Race Officer may change the course by changing the lettered boards displayed adjacent to the start/finish line. A course may be changed for individual classes or all boats. Any change will signalled before the lead boat of an affected class passes through the line. Flag C will be displayed with repeated sound signals (See also 5.2). The course change will also be broadcast on VHF Ch37. Failure to receive such transmissions shall not constitute grounds for redress.

17 ABANDONMENT (Exception and addition to RRS 32.)

17.1 Flag "N" over "X" - Race is abandoned (with result)
Means:
The race will have been considered to have been completed and will not be re-sailed. The results will be calculated based on the times that the boats crossed the finish line at the end of the last leg completed by the leading boat.

18 FINISH LINE

18.1 SALTASH SAILING CLUB HOUSE FINISH LINE. The finish Line will be an extension of a line through the SSC Flagstaff and the Transit Post. Inner and Outer distance marks will not be used.

18.2 COMMITTEE VESSEL FINISH LINE. The finish Line will be a line between a mast displaying an Orange Flag on the Committee Vessel and the nearby rounding mark.

19 **RETIREMENTS**

19.1 Yachts retiring shall report their retirement to the Race Committee within one hour after finishing or retiring. Yachts who fail to report their retirement within one hour of their retiring will be scored DSQ without a hearing, unless a satisfactory explanation of the delay is presented to the Race Committee. Yachts flying ensigns at the start or during a race will be deemed to have retired.

19.2 Notification of Retirement for Offshore and Passage Races:

Any boat which retires shall inform the Race Committee at the finish or SSC as soon as possible and in any case within two hours of the expiry of the time limit. Retirements may be reported by hail; or by telephone to (01752) 845988; or by any other available means. A boat/competitor which/who fails to comply with this Sailing Instruction, or fails to provide a satisfactory explanation of failure to report retirement, will receive a caution. A record of such cautions will be kept by the General Secretary of the PPSA.
A boat/competitor which/who receives a second caution within a two year period from the date of the original caution may be refused entry, subject to the requirements of RRS 76.1, to any further races starting within a two year period from the date of the second caution by any club affiliated to the PPSA.

20 PENALTIES (RRS 44)

20.1 RRS 44.1 (Amended) Taking a Penalty – A boat may take a **One-Turn** penalty in-lieu of a two turn penalty, should one or more rules of RRS Part 2 are broken.

RRS 44.2 applies.

21 TIME LIMITS (Exception to RRS 32 & 35)

21.1	Yacht evening races	2030
21.2	Dinghy evening races	If one race is offered: 2015 hrs If two races are offered: Race 1 - 15 minutes after the leading boat of each class Race 2 - 2030
21.3	Yacht Saturday afternoon races	1830
21.4	Yacht Sunday races	2 hours from last start
21.5	Dinghy Regatta races	2 hours from last start
21.6	New Year's Day race	2 hours from last start

21.7 If the leading boat of a Class completes the course within the above time limit, the time limit will be extended by 30 minutes (60 minutes for Instruction 21.3) for the remaining boats in the Class. If no boat of a Class finishes within the time limit then results will be calculated from the times the boats last crossed the Finish Line, when on the same leg as the leading boat crossing the line, before the expiry of the time limit. This will include boats that subsequently retire in anticipation of the time limit.

22 PROTESTS (Exception to RRS 61)

22.1 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 61 and lodged in writing with the Race Officer within 1 hour of finishing. This time may be extended at the discretion of the protest committee.

22.2 The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures) of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the Official Notice Board for details.

23 RACE SCORES (RRS Appendix A)

23.1 The low point scoring system, as detailed in Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. The number of races to count will be detailed in the individual event instructions.

23.2 Where a helm is unable to compete in a race due to assisting in the race office or other official duty, average points will be scored based on the helm's other results in the individual series.

24 PRIZES

24.1 Prizes will generally be presented to each class in accordance with the following scale:

Average number of starters	2-4	5-6	7 or more
Number of prizes	1	2	3

25 VHF MONITOR

25.1 The Race Officer may also use VHF (Channel 37), in addition to the previous mentioned instructions, to notify competitors in changes of course or other instructions that may be necessary. Failure to receive such instructions will not constitute grounds for redress.

26 EFFECTIVE DATE

26.1 1st May 2021. These Sailing Instructions supersede all previous Saltash Sailing Club Sailing Instructions.

27 ENTRY FORM AND FEES

Entry form and fees shall be completed online. Your 'Entry Acknowledgement' will include a link to join the 'Whatsapp' group, to aid fleet communication. To assist the race administration, please pay in advance if you intend to compete in the majority of a series and not on a race by race basis.
'Whatsapp' groups, 'SSC Yacht Racing' or SSC Dinghy Racing respectively.

27.1 **Yachts**

Thursday Series per race	£5
Thursday 1st, 2nd or 3rd series	£20
Thursday All series	£50
Combined Marine Services - Spring Series	Free of charge entry
Plymouth – Fowey/Fowey - Plymouth	£15 one way / £20 return
Commodores Cup	£25
Autumn Series	£5 per race /£20 per series
Ullman Sails Youth Helm	Free or donation to the cadets
Ladies Helm	£5
New Year's Day Race	Free or donation to charity

Dinghies

For the following events: Tuesday 1st, 2nd and 3rd series
Dinghy summer storage and race entries fees for all series :
Adults - £125,
SSC Cadets or Student Members - £65

For dinghies not stored on club premises the race entry fees are Adults - £20 per series
Cadets - £10.00 per series.
Adults £5 per race
Cadets £2.00 per race

Autumn Dinghy Series
Adults £20.00 for the series or £5.00 per race
Cadet £10.00 for the series or £3.00 per race

Combined Marine Services - Spring Series - IRC, NHC, MOCRA, J24 & White Sail Classes - Sailing Instructions

This event comprises a series of up to 5 yacht races offered over the weekend, 29th and 30th May
The SSC General Sailing Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

28 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Change to GSI 4.1)

28.1 Any changes in Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board not later than 24 hours before any race. Flag "L" will be flown at Saltash Sailing Club (SSC). Changes will also be posted on the Club website. Attention to any change in the sailing instructions may be posted via Whatsapp

29 **ENTRY FORM AND FEES**
Entry forms shall be completed online. There is no entry fee for this series. Your 'Entry Acknowledgement' will include a link to join the 'Whatsapp' group, 'SSC Spring Series', to aid fleet communication. To assist the race administration, please enter in advance if you intend to compete.

30 **SIGNALS** (Replace GSI 5.1 with the following)

30.1 All signals will be in accordance with RRS Race Signals (except as modified by these instructions) and will be made on the Committee Boat or at SSC as appropriate.

30 **COURSES AND MARKS** (Addition to GSI 9)

30.1 **Saturday 29th May** (High Water 08.46 BST 5.3m Plymouth) 3 races

30.2 MOCRA – Offshore Triangle – Committee boat start in Plymouth Sound. The course will be in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by course boards set on the committee boat. The finish will be between the last mark of the course and the Committee boat. The course may be shortened at earlier marks with a boat displaying Flag 'S' (Change to GSI 5.5).

30.3 IRC, NHC & J24 - Two Windward/Leeward Races - Plymouth Sound - Committee boat start and finish.
The course marks will be laid marks in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee boat. **Yachts must pass through the start/finish line on the intended windward leg.**

The second start will be held on completion of the first race. A warning signal will be given on VHF Ch37.

30.4 MOCRA, IRC, NHC - Long Distance Race - Committee boat start in Plymouth Sound and finish at the Saltash Sailing Club Line. The course marks will be in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee Boat.
Boats shall not pass between Drake's Island and Mount Edgecumbe

NOTE: If conditions allow, it is intended that boats will race outside of the breakwater.

30.5 J24 class – 3rd Windward/Leeward Race. The course marks will be laid marks in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee boat. **Yachts must pass through the start/finish line on the intended windward leg.**

30.6 **Sunday 30th May** (High Water 09.34 BST 5.1m Plymouth) 2 races

30.7 MOCRA, IRC, NHC - Around the cans - Plymouth Sound - Committee boat start and finish.
The course marks will be in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee boat.

30.8 MOCRA, IRC, NHC - Olympic Triangle course set in Plymouth Sound - Committee boat start and finish.
The course will be MOCRA - START-1-2-3-1-3-1-2-3-1-3-FINISH
IRC & NHC - START-1-2-3-1-3-1-2-3-FINISH
The marks to be used will be in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee boat as follows: Left hand board will designate Mark 1
Centre board will designate Mark 2
Right hand board will designate Mark 3
The letters will be WHITE on a RED or GREEN background indicating PORT or STARBOARD hand respectively.

30.9 J24 - Two Windward/Leeward Races - Plymouth Sound - Committee boat start and finish.
The course marks will be laid marks in accordance with Appendix B and indicated by the course boards set on the Committee boat. **Yachts must pass through the start/finish line on the intended windward leg.**

30.10 On finishing the final race, an additional race will be automatically set. Each yacht's finishing time will automatically become the start time for this additional race. The course will be from the finishing line, leaving ASIA to PORT, and to the Saltash Sailing Club finish line. Yachts shall not pass between Drake's Island and Mount Edgecumbe. Separate bottle prizes will be given for this race.

30.11 In the event of unsuitable weather, races may default to a river course set from the Saltash Sailing Club start line and using marks in accordance with Appendix A. In this event, flag H will be flown from the club line and the start delayed until 12:00 hrs.

31 CLASSES AND START TIMES (addition to GSI 11)

31.1

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
MOCRA	11:00	Numeral Pennant 8
IRC A	11:05	Numeral Pennant 1
IRC B	11:05	Numeral Pennant 2 (If offered)
NHC A	11:10	Numeral Pennant 4
NHC B	11:10	Numeral Pennant 5 (If offered)
J24	11:15	Code Flag J
White Sail	11.20	Code flag W

The IRC and NHC classes may be split in the light of the entries received.
Depending on entries, the J24s may sail on a separate course, as detailed above.

32 RETIREMENT (Addition to G.S.I. 19)

32.1 Yachts retiring may also report their retirement to the Committee Boat on VHF Channel 37.

33 PROTEST (Replace GSI 22.1 with the following)

33.1 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 61 in writing and lodged with the Race Committee within 2 hours of finishing. Protests arising from Races 1 - 4 will be heard at 1900 on the Wednesday following the race, at Saltash Sailing Club. Protests arising from Race 5/6 will be heard immediately after receipt of the protest by the Race Committee at Saltash Sailing Club.

NOTE: Your attention is drawn to GSI 22.2

34 TROPHIES AND PRIZES

34.1 Overall Prizes will be presented to each Class in accordance with the following scale:

Average number of starters.	2 - 4	5 – 6	7 or more
Number of prizes	1	2	3

Daily prizes will be presented for the days racing each week at Saltash Sailing Club. Daily prizes will not be held over from week to week excepting if the results are subject to protest.

35 NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT (addition to GSI 23)

35.1 The number of races to count is as follows:

Number of Races Offered	4 – 6	3 or less
Number of discards	1	None – all races to count

The bottle race on 30th May will not count towards the overall series.

NOTE:

RACE ENTRY FORMS HAVE A SPACE FOR ENTERING A MOBILE PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT EACH COMPETING BOAT LEAVE A MOBILE PHONE NUMBER WITH THE RACE COMMITTEE SO THAT ANY EMERGENT CHANGES TO THE RACE PROGRAMME CAN BE SENT OUT VIA A TEXT MESSAGE.

Thursday Yacht Series Sailing Instructions

This event comprises 3 series of yacht races run through the summer season from 6th May to 16th September.

First Series	6th May - 10th June 2021	6 races
Second Series	24th June – 29th July 2021	6 races
Third Series	12th August - 16th Sept 2021	6 races

The SSC General Sailing Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

36 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
J24	18:10	Flag J
Club Handicap A	18:15	Numeral Pennant 4
Club Handicap B	18:20	Numeral Pennant 5
IRC	18:30	Numeral Pennant 1
White Sail Class	17.30-18.00	Code Flag "W"

Club Handicap Class splits will be decided in the light of the entries received.

37 NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT (Addition to GSI 23)

37.1 The number of races to count for each series are as follows:

8 races offered	6 results to count
6 or 7 races offered	5 results to count
5 or less races offered	All results to count

37.2 Series results will only be given for yachts competing in a minimum of 4 races. Each yacht's best 15 results compiled from all three series will count for the overall prize.

38 LATE ENTRIES (Addition to GSI 23)

Yachts entering part way through the series will be scored DNC for all preceding races.

Dinghy Shack - Tuesday Dinghy Series Sailing Instructions

This event comprises 3 series of dinghy races throughout the season from 4th May to 14th September.

First Series	4th May – 10th June 2021	(up to 7 races)
Second Series	22nd June – 27th July 2021	(up to 12 races)
Third Series	3rd August – 14th September 2021	(up to 7 races)

The SSC General Sailing Instructions apply except where amended by these Sailing Instructions.

39 CLASSES

39.1

Classes	**PY Number**	**Class Flag**
Slow Handicap	1201 and above	Flag "K"
Medium Handicap	1001 to 1200	Flag "G"
Fast Handicap	1000 and below	Flag "Z"
Laser Class	Laser 4.7, Radial & Standard	Flag "V"

40 START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

40.1 Series 1 & 3

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
Slow Handicap	18:05	Flag "K"
Laser Class	18:10	Flag "V"
Medium & Fast Handicap	18:15	Flag "G" &"Z"

40.2 Series 2

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
Medium & Fast Handicap	18:05	Flag "G" & "Z"
Laser Class	18:10	Flag "V"
Slow Handicap	18:15	Flag "K"

On completion of the first race a second race may be offered for Fast, Lasers and Medium Handicap classes. If it is intended to run a second race Flag 'M' will be displayed when the first boat of either class finishes or earlier.

41 NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT (Addition to GSI 23)

The number of discards for each series are as follows:

No. Races	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
No. Discards	0				1		2				3				4			

Each dinghy's best 20 results compiled from all 3 series will count for the overall year prize.

Ladies Helm Yacht Race

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Thursday 17th June

The SSC General Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

42 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
J24	18:10	Flag J
Club Handicap A	18:15	Numeral Pennant 4
Club Handicap B	18:20	Numeral Pennant 5
IRC	18:30	Numeral Pennant 1
White Sail Class	17.30-18.00	Code Flag "W"

If there are sufficient entries the Classes may be split.

Ullman Sails Plymouth Race Series - Plymouth to Fowey

Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th June

The Ullman Sails Plymouth Yacht Series Plymouth to Fowey weekend will take place on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th June and is run in conjunction with the Plym Yacht Club. Classes will be offered for IRC, NHC & MOCRA classes with fully crewed and two handed results. Separate instructions will be issued and will be available from the Club when finalised.

Saltash Town Regatta

4th/5th September

The Commodore's Cup will be sailed over the weekend 4th and 5th September
Match racing in J24s for teams of four. Full details will be published nearer the event.

Additional events both ashore and afloat will support the Town Regatta.

Ullman Sails Youth Race

Thursday 5th August

This is a race for helms of 21 years or under. Yachts are encouraged to compete with youth crews. There will be an endeavour prize for the yacht with the youngest crew/most young people on board, awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

The SSC General Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

43 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
J24	18:10	Flag J
Club Handicap A	18:15	Numeral Pennant 4
Club Handicap B	18:20	Numeral Pennant 5
IRC	18:30	Numeral Pennant 1
White Sail Class	17.30-18.00	Code Flag "W"

If there are sufficient entries the Classes may be split.

Commodores Cup

The Commodore's Cup will be sailed over the weekend 4th and 5th September
Match racing in J24s for teams of four. Full details will be published nearer the event.

Autumn Series for Yachts

This will be a series of yacht races on Sundays weekly from 19th September to 24th October
The SSC General Sailing Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions. Racing in the River Tamar with a variety of courses/formats offered over the series including a mix of SSC Line and Committee Boat starts.

44 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
J24	11:00	Code Flag J
Club Handicap A	11:05	Numeral Pennant 4
Club Handicap B	11:10	Numeral Pennant 5
White Sail Class	11.15	Code Flag "W"
IRC	11:20	Numeral Pennant 1

The decision as to where the Classes will be split will be decided in the light of the entries received. Classes may be altered before the first race in the light of the entries received.
Class starts will be offered to 3 yachts or more.

45 NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT (Addition to GSI 23)
5 - 6 races offered - 4 results to count
4 or less races offered - all results to count

Tamar River & Saltash Sailing Clubs Autumn Series for Dinghies

This event comprises a series of dinghy races on Saturday mornings from **18th September to 23rd October**. Racing will be in the River Tamar with a mix of SSC Line and Committee Boat starts.

The SSC General Sailing Instructions apply except where amended by these Sailing Instructions.
Attention to any instruction changes may be posted via Whatsapp

46 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
Slow Handicap	10:30	Flag "K"
Medium Handicap	10:40	Flag "G"
Fast Handicap	10:45	Flag "Z"
Laser Classes	10.50	Flag ”V”

Classes	PY Number
Slow Handicap	1201 and above
Medium Handicap	1001 to 1200
Fast Handicap	1000 and below

The decision of the Class split may be adjusted in the light of entries received. Additional classes may be offered if sufficient entries are received.

47 NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT (Addition to GSI 23)

The number of discards for each series are as follows:

No. Races	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
No. Discards	0				1		2				3				4			

Saltash Sailing Club New Year’s Day Race

Saturday 1st January 2022

The SSC General Instructions apply except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

48 CLASSES AND START TIMES (Addition to GSI 11)

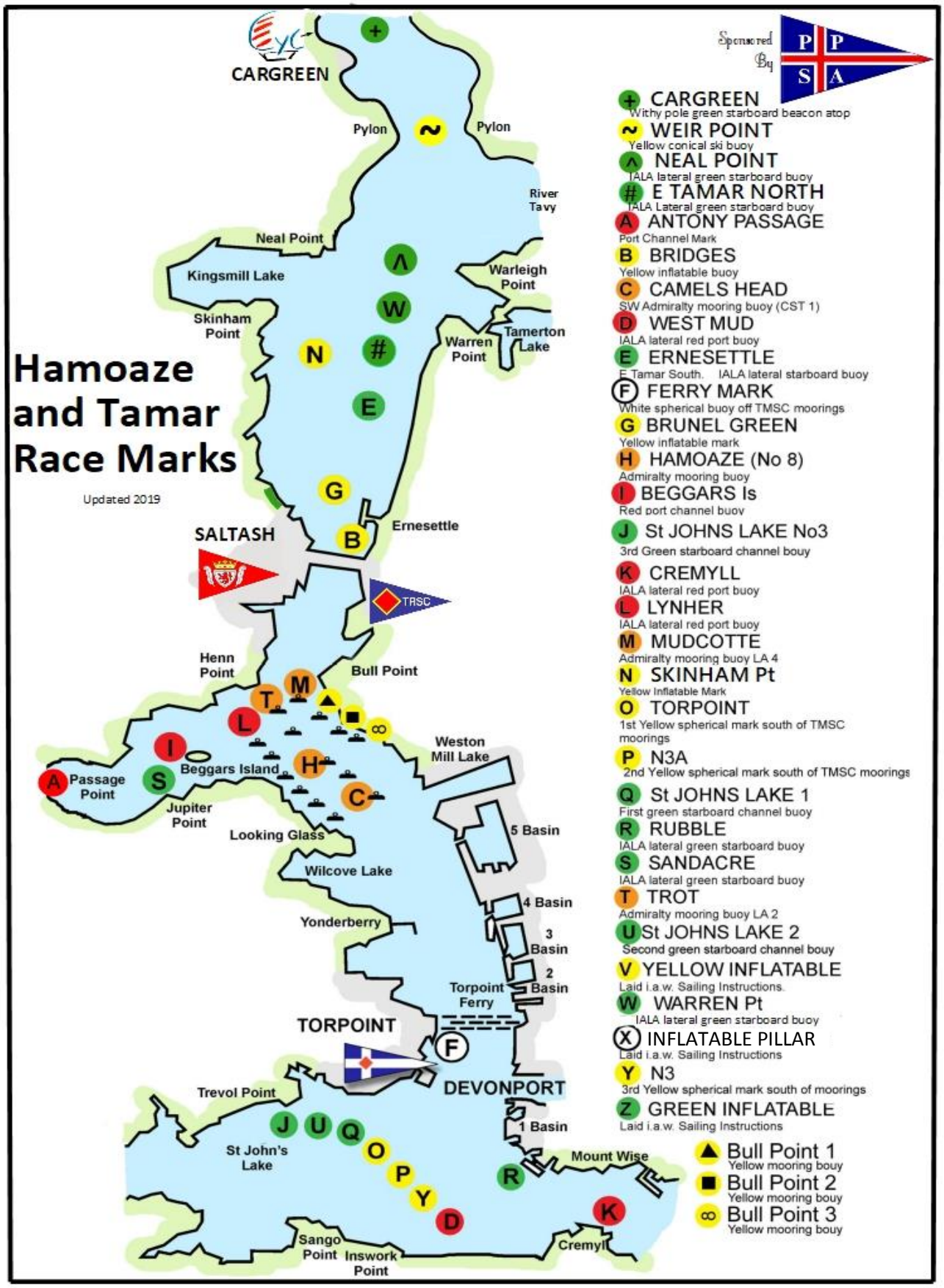
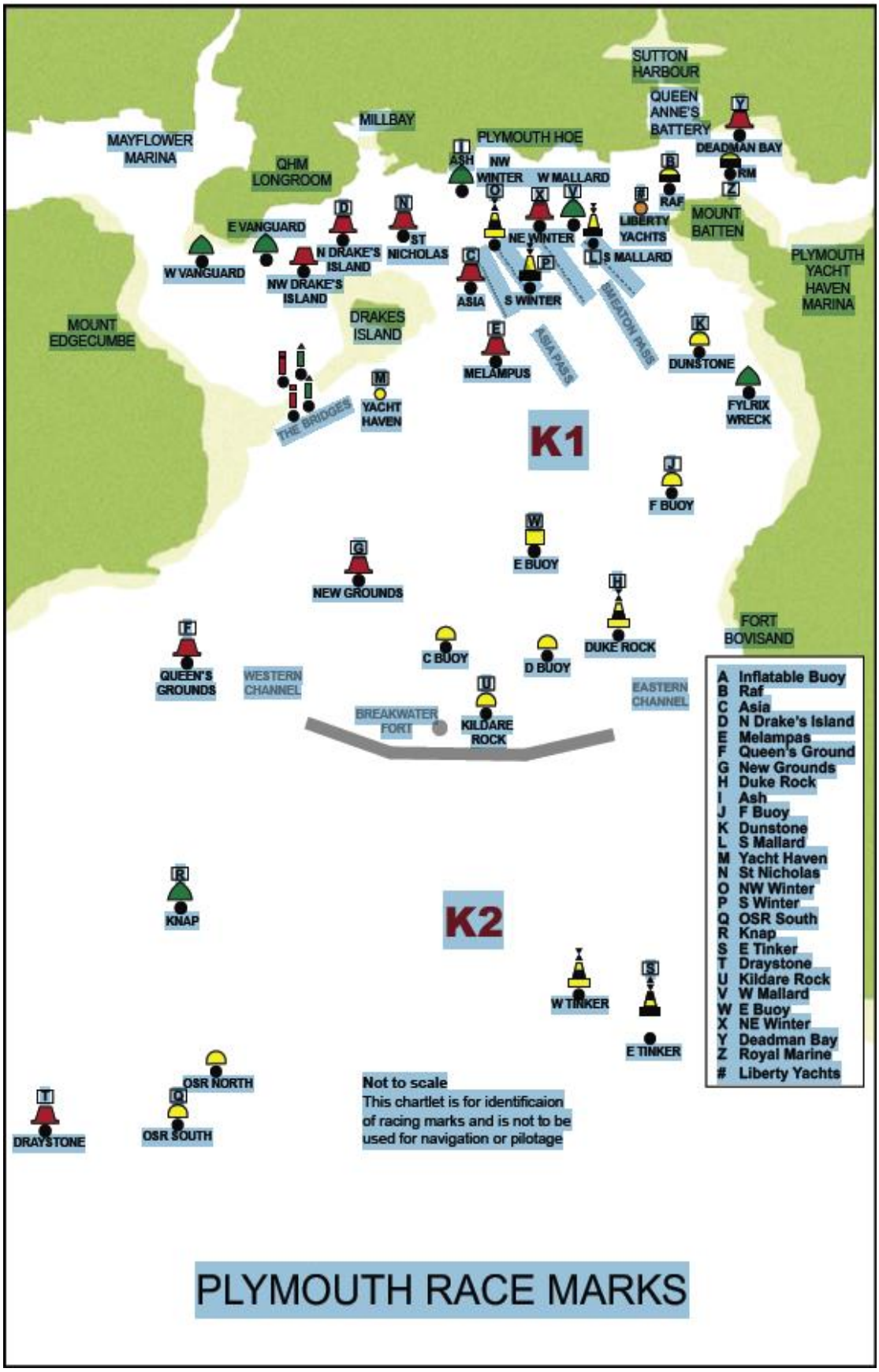
CLASS	START TIME	WARNING SIGNAL
Club Handicap	11:00	Numeral Pennant 4
IRC	11:05	Numeral Pennant 1
White Sail	11.10	Code Flag “W”

Other Classes may be offered if sufficient entries are received.

49 PRIZES

A perpetual trophy for the winner of the Class with the most entries will be presented. Bottle prizes will also be provided. The prize giving will be held in the clubhouse on completion of the racing.

Appendix A – Marks in the Tamar & Hamoaze



Appendix B – Plymouth Sound Marks