

HELFDORD RIVER SAILING CLUB

L'Aber-Wrac'h

2010

Annual Pursuit Race from Helford

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NOTICE OF RACE

51st ANNUAL PURSUIT RACE TO L'ABER-WRAC'H – FRIDAY 25th JUNE 2010

The Helford River Sailing Club will hold its Annual Pursuit Race to L'Aber Wrac'h on Friday 25th June.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is Helford River Sailing Club

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Rules

Racing will take place under the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2009 – 2012.

The RYA prescriptions, Class Rules, this Notice of Race and the Safety Rules therein, and the HRSC Sailing Instructions.

Handicaps and start times

Handicaps and start times will be issued by the HRSC handicap committee, to whom any queries or complaints must be addressed in writing.

Safety

All boats shall conform to the Offshore Racing Council special regulations for category 3 races, the full text of which can be found online at <http://www.rorc.org/specialregulations/all.htm>

Every yacht must also carry a life raft capable of carrying the entire crew. Any boat found to be in breach of the specified safety regulations will be disqualified.

An H M Coastguard Information Sheet (Form CG 66) must be completed and returned with the Entry Form.

Yachts may use their engine to recover a man overboard, or to render assistance in grave emergency.

Full details of which must be reported on the declaration card.

Entries

Entries will only be accepted from competitors who have completed and signed a valid entry form and whose boat displays sail numbers in compliance with RRS Appendix H. An H M Coastguard Information Sheet (Form CG 66) must be completed and returned with the Entry Form. Under-sixteen-year olds may only enter or crew if their parents or guardians have completed and signed the parental permission form available from HRSC.

The Entry Fee is £40 (or 40 Euros). Entries close 2100hrs Thursday June 24th 2010. Postal entries will be accepted up to June 15th at the reduced rate of £35 or 35 Euros, and should be sent to the Club Administrator at the above address.

Classes

The principal race will be the l'Aber Wrac'h Pursuit Race, in which every entrant shall be entered. Within the principal race there will be two classes:

IRC Class: for which an entry must hold a valid current IRC Certificate, a copy of which shall accompany the entry form. Entrants in this class will start at their designated pursuit time, but elapsed times will be corrected to determine the winner. This will entail competitors self-certifying their finish time. (Further details in the Sailing Instructions).

Beneteau Class: sponsored by Ancasta, for all Beneteau boats. Elapsed times will be corrected as for the IRC Class above. Yachts without an IRC certificate will sail to a handicap issued by the HRSC Handicap Committee.

Trophies and Prizegiving

The first yacht to finish the Pursuit Race will be awarded the Guncarriage Trophy.

The first yacht to finish the Pursuit Race, regularly sailing with HRSC, will be awarded the Sundancer Trophy.

The first yacht under 10M, regularly sailing with HRSC, will be awarded the Bobby Martin Trophy.

There will be trophies awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the IRC and Beneteau classes.

Additional glassware may be awarded at the discretion of the HRSC Sailing Committee.

Prizegiving will take place in l'Aber Wrac'h at a time and venue to be announced in the Sailing Instructions.

Conditions

The safety of the boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor who must ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by a crew sufficient in number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The owner/competitor must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is used. Neither the establishment of these conditions nor any inspection of the boat shall in any way limit or reduce the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor. The crew is nonetheless advised to satisfy themselves as to the experience of the skipper and the adequacy of all safety equipment and insurance arrangements.

Any litigation arising from any claim for loss of or damage to any vessel involved, death or personal injury to any persons involved SHALL be held in an ENGLISH Court of Law.

TIDES

Note that Low Water on June 25th is at approximately Noon BST, height 1.3m. The club pontoon will be inaccessible for tenders for approximately 1 hr 20 minutes at either side of Low Water.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

In addition to the Racing, there will be a full range of social events from Wednesday 23th June.