

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS LEIGH ON SEA SAILING CLUB PETER COTGROVE MEMORIAL RACE

**Responsibility:** 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.

'Competitors should note that Leigh on Sea Sailing Club implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012) or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter)'

**Rules:** The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012, the prescriptions of the RYA, the Sailing Instructions and rules of the class, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions. The Open Meeting is designated Category C.

**Acceptance of the Rules:** By participating in a race conducted under these racing rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees :

(a) to be governed by the *rules* ;

(b) to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the *rules* , subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the *rules* ; and

(c) where the matter is not one to be determined under the *rules* , not to resort to any court of law or any tribunal until all internal remedies provided by ISAF or by the Court of Arbitration for Sport have been exhausted.

**Entries:** Entry is free and open to members of Benfleet Y.C. Essex Y.C and Leigh S.C. Entry is open to yachts dinghies and catamarans. No pre entry is required,

**Notices to Competitors:** Notices to competitors, and any change to the sailing instructions, will be posted on the Leigh S.C. website on or before the day prior to the race.

**Race Time. High tide: 5th September 13:53 Ht 5.6m; Start: 12:40**

**Scoring - General** The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

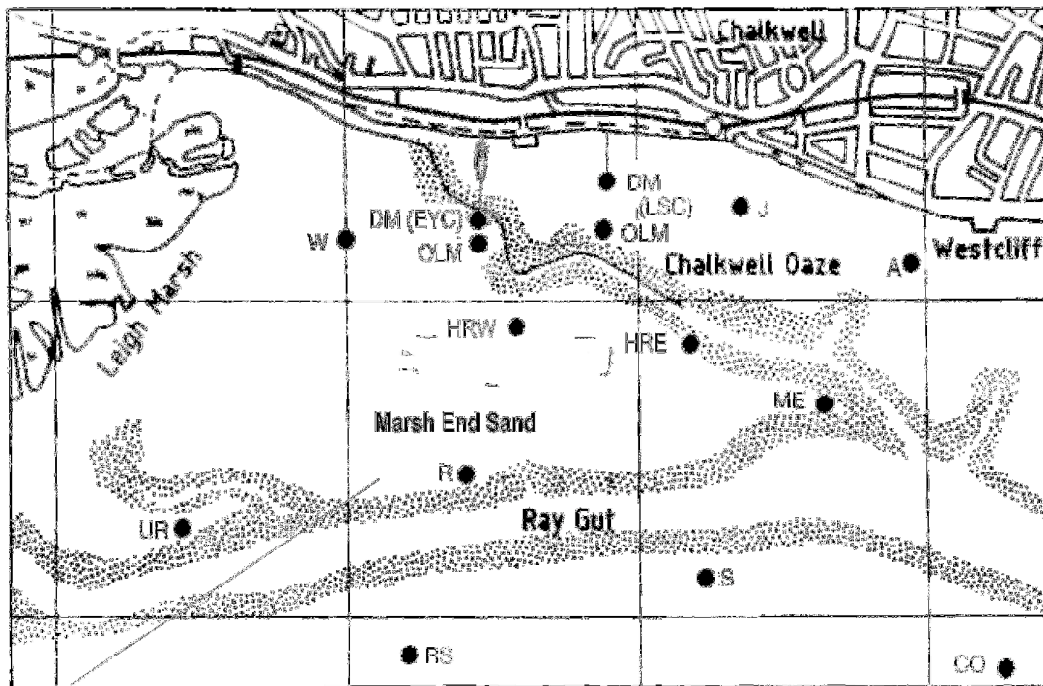
**Class – Flag** Code Flag “T”. The race is all-in for cruisers and dinghies, separate prizes may be awarded for cruisers and dinghies at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

**The Course:** The course shall be displayed on the notice board in the Atrium of the LSC clubhouse one hour prior to the published start time. Cruiser sailors may also contact the Race Officer on VHF M1 for details of the course. It is intended that the course will utilise regular club racing marks as shown below and a gate consisting the start line.

**The Start:** Races will be started using the procedures described in Rule 26. The starting line shall be from the main mast of the committee boat and a small red buoy located to port of the committee boat. The committee boat will be a catamaran with the name “Star Guider” displayed on the hulls.

**Marks:**

CHART SHOWING APPROXIMATE POSITION OF MARKS



LSC/EYC INSHORE COURSES Key :- O – Orange Inflatable (Intended to be laid upwind or downwind from DM); A – Admirals; CO – Crowstone Outfall; DM – Distance Mark (EYC/LSC); J – Joselyns; HRE – Half Ray East; HRW – Half Ray West; ME – Marsh End; OLM – Outer Limit Mark (EYC/LSC); R – Ray; RS – Ray Sand; S – South; UR – Upper Ray; W – West; Note:- DM; OLM & R are poles and all the other marks are orange/red 45 gallon drums marked EYC or LSC

**Time limits.** The time limit is 1 ¼ hours after high water.

**The Finish:** The finish line will be as the starting line.

**Declarations:** A declaration is not required.

**Protests:** Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Officer and delivered back within 90 minutes after the time of the last boats finish in the last race of the day.

Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

Protest notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.