

Great Yarmouth & Gorleston Sailing Club



GYGSC BEACH REGATTA OPEN MEETING 24th /25th June 2022. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - the important bits!

SCHEDULE OF RACES:

- Two fleets: RS Vareos / Handicap
- 3 races back-to-back for each fleet on each day.
- Saturday pre-race Briefing at 11:00.
- First start on Saturday at 12:05 First start on Sunday at 11:05 (After Vareo Start)
- For each fleet, if 4 or more races are sailed, one race result will be discarded; If 3 or fewer races are sailed, all will count.

CLASS FLAGS:

Vareo



Handicap - Numeral Pennant 4



COURSES:

- The courses will be displayed on a blackboard at the clubhouse.
- The Start/Finish line is also the leeward gate.
- The number of Laps will Not be shown however target-time for the leading boat is ~45-minutes.
- Windward + Spreader Marks are to be passed to **Port** unless a **green flag** is flown on the committee boat to denote a **starboard hand course**.
- Boats will sail the course until a Blue Flag is flown on the committee boat.

MARKS:

The marks are orange inflatable buoys.

The windward spacer *may* be a round orange /red buoy.

Should you hit a mark during a race then you need to do a penalty turn-i.e. a 360.

THE START:

- Starting sequence is: **5, 4, 1, Go!**; for the Vareo Fleet First / Handicap fleet will follow with the Go! for start 1 will be the 5min for the next start.
- The start line is between the mast on the Committee boat flying Yellow Flag and the outer distance mark.

GENERAL RECALLS:

In the event of a General Recall, the recalled fleet will, ".... go to the back of the queue", starting 5 minutes after other fleet start.

THE FINISH:

- The finish line is between the mast on the committee boat flying **blue flag** and the outer distance mark.
- When a **blue flag** is flown from the committee boat, boats will be recorded as finishing as they cross the finish line.
- The committee boat **may** also fly Int.Code Flag S and make 2 sound signals as the first boat to be finished approaches the finish line.



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• Boats of the same class that complete fewer laps than their race leader will be scored as finishing after all boats that sail the same number of laps as the leader.

PROTESTS:

A boat shall inform the race committee of her intention to protest before leaving the vicinity of the finishing line and lodge her protest within 15 minutes of the last boat coming ashore for that series of races.

SAILING (AREA & WARNINGS):

- (1) Upon *Launching*, boats should make their way **SE for ~350m**, keeping the end-of- Breakwater and left-edge of Pier Hotel approximately <u>in transit</u>, until parallel with 'The Ravine' cut in the Gorleston Cliffs.
- (2) The **wreck** of "The Swan" lies close inshore to the Southern end of the racing area; the wreck partially dries at low water, is dangerous at any state and is marked with a Red Admiralty Buoy offshore to it's NE.
- (3) For landing ashore, Competitors should wait offshore the landing area until called in by the Beach Master individually. Once they have made their boat safe, they should return to the Beach Master to aid in the recovery of other boats. Competitors should remain on the beach unless dismissed by the Beach Master to assist in recovery of Committee and Support boats from the water to the boat-park.
- (4) Shipping in/out of the harbour mouth or vessels transferring Pilots or manoeuvring always have priority. Except for intending to make for the launch/recovery area of beach, Do Not sail North of "The Ravine" cut into the Gorleston Cliffs.



Travelodge -to- Clubhouse = 1.3miles (straight) = 2.3miles (drive)



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- (5) Be aware of **swimmers** from the beach; if Lifeguards have designated a monitored area for swimming, this is marked with limiting **Flags** (**red**/**yellow**); keep clear of these flags and launch or recover outside the designated area.
- (6) The Designated boat Launching and Recovery zone may be marked by the lifeguards with Flags (black/white)





BERTHING

Boats shall not be parked across the esplanade above the beach ramp in such a manner as may cause obstruction to the public or emergency Services; ongoing rigging and de-rigging at railings outside the Club, or on the beach is not included within this.