

**NICHOLSON**

**31 and 32**

## **SOLENT RACE**

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

HW Portsmouth Sept 11<sup>th</sup>: 1449 4.5m  
All times are BST

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, Class Rules for Nicholson 325, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of conflict, these Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.2 Boats must not anchor or kedge within the area between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as indicated on the SCRA racing chart Admiralty Chart 2040. Gas and water pipes, telephone cables and electricity cables carrying 133,000 volts lie on the surface of the sea bed. (See diagram).
- 1.3 Boats in whatever direction they are racing shall not pass to the north of:
  - 1.3.1 Horse Sand Fort.
  - 1.3.2 The obstructions on the row of iron piles off Durns Point, east of Lymington.
- 1.4 The 'Precautionary Area' referred to in Associated British Ports Byelaw 11 shall rank as an obstruction to boats racing (See diagram).
- 1.5 Boats must be in Cruising Trim, not stripped out. Stripped out boats may be disqualified at the discretion of the committee. All boats should be carrying water and fuel, food, clothing and safety equipment for all the crew. The yachts shall not use Spinnakers or Cruising Chutes and only one Headsail at a time, either hanked or fixed to the luff Spar.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the window of the Race Office at the Island Sailing Club.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than one and a half hours before the advertised starting time of the race. Changes in the sailing instructions will be indicated by displaying code flag "L" from the ISC Flagstaff together with the numeral pennant denoting the latest amendment. It is the responsibility of all competitors to obtain the amended written instructions from the Race Office.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE & CLASS FLAG**

4.1 Signals will be displayed on the Island Sailing Club flagstaff.

4.2 The Class Flag for both Classes (Nicholson 31 and 32) will be Naval Numeral 3

### **5 RACE SCHEDULE**

Warning Signal	1040
Preparatory Signal	1041
One minute Signal	1044
Start	1045

### **6 RACING AREA**

The Solent

### **7 THE COURSE**

7.1 The course will consist of a series of fixed marks. The course will be displayed in the frame on the Clubhouse roof next to the Race Box. The course is indicated by letters, numbers or symbols, reading from left to right, top to bottom. The course may be announced on VHF Channel 37A (M) before and/or after the warning signal.

7.1.1 An ORANGE or RED letter, number or symbol indicates the mark shall be left to PORT.

7.1.2 A YELLOW or GREEN letter, number or symbol indicates the mark shall be left to STARBOARD.

7.1.3 Marks are listed inside the back cover of these Sis.

## **8 MARKS**

Marks used will be fixed navigation buoys or racing marks chosen from the list inside the back cover of these Sailing Instructions

## **9 THE START**

### **9.1 Starting Line**

The Starting Line will be the extension of a line through the two Club Flagstaffs, each bearing an orange panel with a black cross.

### **9.2 The Outer Distance Mark**

The outer distance mark (ODM) is a specially laid orange inflatable buoy. If for any reason this buoy is not laid, the ODM will be the yellow Trinity House mooring buoy, if starting to the west, or Prince Consort buoy, if starting to the east.

### **9.3 Inner Limit Mark**

An Inner Limit Mark will, if laid, be a black inflatable buoy. If laid, boats shall pass between it and the ODM when approaching to start.

### **9.4 Starting Procedure**

A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her start shall be scored DNS.

## **10 THE FINISH**

10.1 The finishing line will be the line between the rear Club Flagstaff and the yellow cylindrical Trinity House mooring buoy.

10.2 Boats shall keep well clear of the finishing line after finishing.

## **11 PENALTY SYSTEM**

A boat that is OCS will be scored with a time penalty of 5% of the boat's elapsed time, rounded to the nearest second, unless the Race Committee decides that she has gained a significant advantage, in which case she shall be scored as OCS. This changes RRS Appendix 4.2

## **12 TIME LIMITS**

- 12.1 The time limit will be 4 hours. If the first boat in either class finishes before the time limit, the time limit for other boats in that class will be either 30 minutes after the finishing time of the first boat in the class or 4 hours, whichever is the later.
- 12.2 When no boat in a class finishes within the time limit, the race for that class will be abandoned and will not be re-sailed.

## **13 PROTESTS**

Protests shall be lodged at the Race Office at the ISC not later than 1 hour after the protesting boat has finished racing or within 1 hour of the race time limit, whichever is the earlier. The time and place of any hearing will be displayed on the official notice board. It is the responsibility of both the protestor and protestee to establish the time and place of the hearing. Protest hearings will normally take place on the day of the race.

## **14 SCORING**

Boats will be placed in sequence from the shortest racing elapsed time.

## **15 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Boats are requested to advise the Race Committee of their retirement as soon as possible, either by VHF Radio on channel 37A (M) or by telephone to 01983 249436.

## **16 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee may communicate race information to competitors on VHF Channel 37A (M). No acknowledgement to these announcements will be required and return traffic may not be acknowledged.

## **17 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the highest placed boat in each race that has her skipper or a member of her crew present to collect them at the dinner on the evening of the race.

## **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

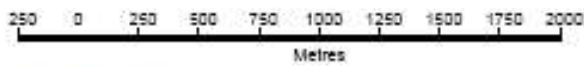
The Island Sailing Club is providing these races only on the understanding that the Club and its representatives shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race. The safety of a 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 of sufficient 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 to be used. Neither the establishment of these conditions, their use by the race organisers, nor the inspection of the boat under these conditions in any way limits the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor. The crew are nonetheless advised to satisfy themselves as to the experience of the skipper and the adequacy of all safety equipment and insurance arrangements.

## **19 INSURANCE**

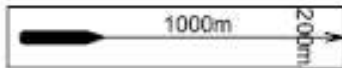
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000.

## **20 RYA CHARTER**

Competitors should note that Island Sailing Club events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that competitors are required 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)

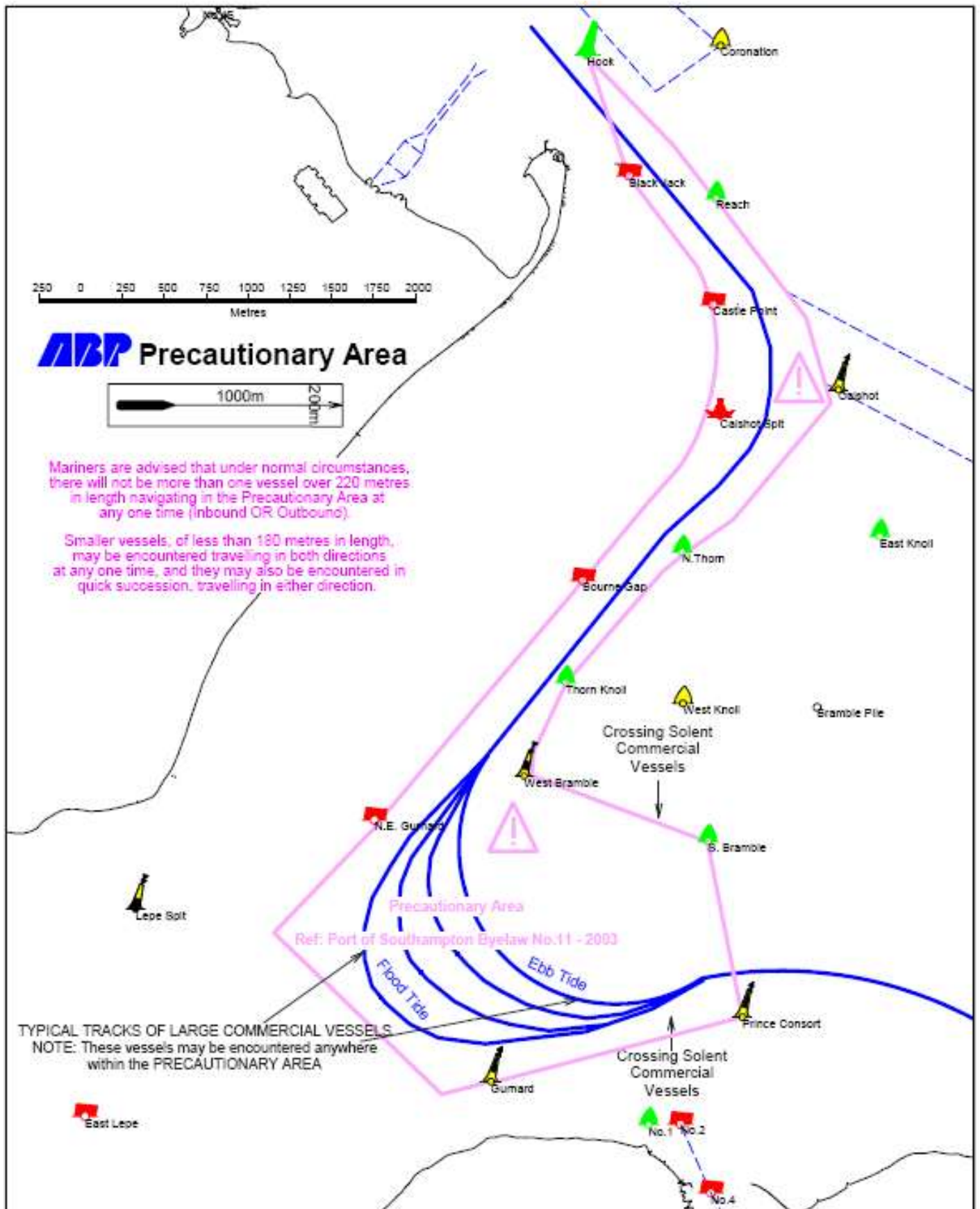


# ABP Precautionary Area









































































































































































































































































































Mariners are advised that under normal circumstances, there will not be more than one vessel over 220 metres in length navigating in the Precautionary Area at any one time (inbound OR Outbound).

Smaller vessels, of less than 180 metres in length, may be encountered travelling in both directions at any one time, and they may also be encountered in quick succession, travelling in either direction.





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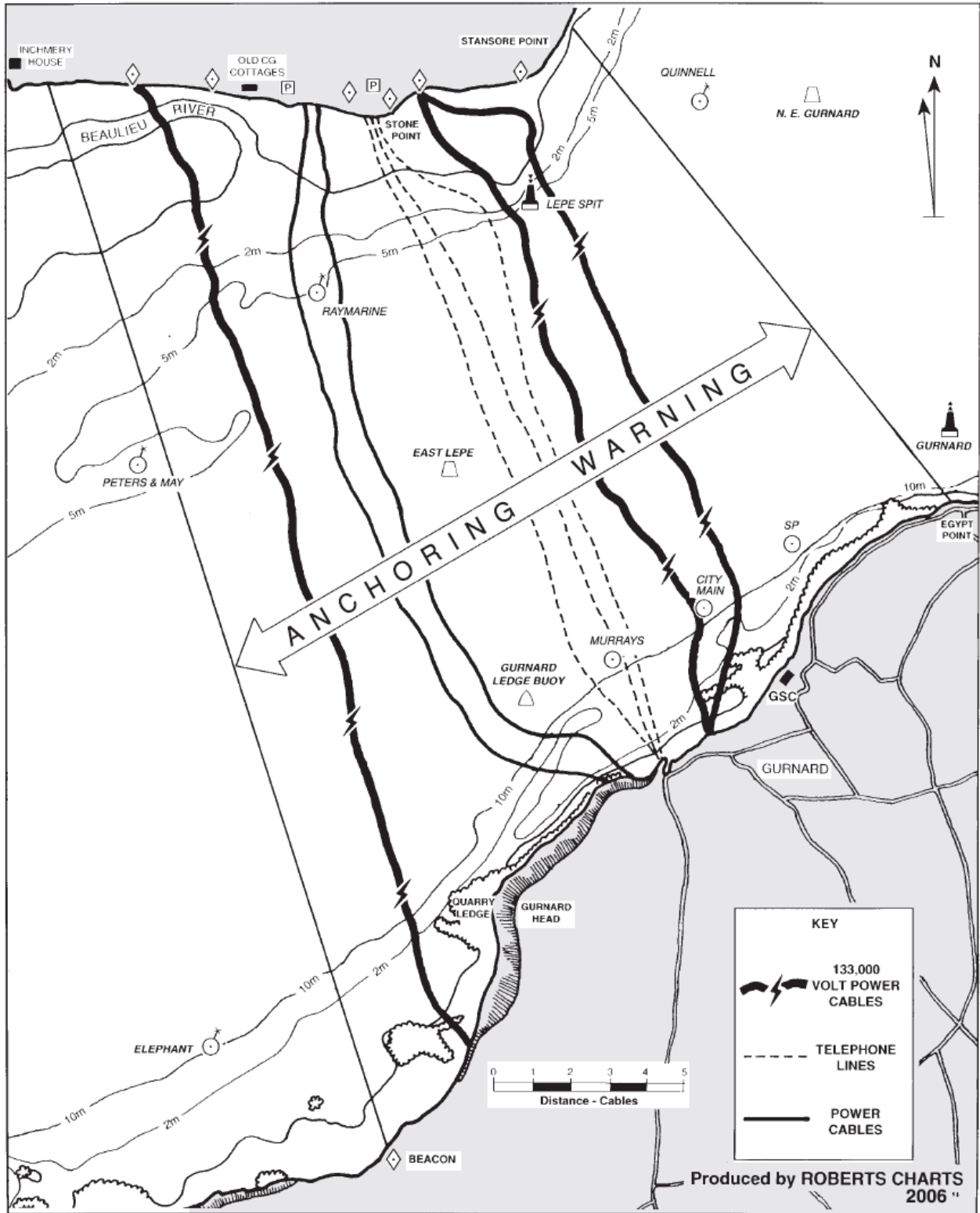
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# Island Sailing Club

## SONAR FLEET

Matched fleet of 9 professionally maintained boats available for charter



- For Racing or Cruising (including match and team racing)
- Race Management team available to help plan and run your event
- Launch Service to moorings north of the Floating Bridge
- Comfortable accommodation in convenient location next to Club
- Showers and Changing Rooms
- Roof terrace, marquee and barbecue area available for Lunches, Suppers and BBQ
- Regatta Dinners or informal dining in the Restaurant

Entire days organised by us

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