

National Solo Open Meeting and President's Trophy

Portchester Sailing Club, Saturday 4th October

Everyone is aware of the restrictions placed on us by the current COVID-19 Pandemic, and all competitors are asked to adhere at all times to the Guidance set out by the Government, RYA as well as general guidance of Portchester SC. For those not familiar with the local restrictions please note:

- Do not come to the Club if you or any members of your household are suffering any of the symptoms of Covid-19 or have been tested positive for Covid-19.
- If you feel unwell at any time while present at the club, return home and at the earliest opportunity inform a club officer or race organisation via phone.
- Maintain Social Distancing at all times while on Club premises and Slipway.
- Follow the one way restrictions around the Club at all times.
- Be vigilant and considerate of others at all times, being mindful of the impact of their actions on others around them.
- The Club reminds sailors of the need under current conditions to sail within the limits of their skill and equipment and not to place reliance on patrol boat or third party support.
- Wind speed restrictions are set with a view to the demands of experienced sailors to sail in more challenging conditions. Less experienced sailors should consider their skill level and experience and exercise a degree of caution. Currently upper wind speed restrictions of Force 5 or 21 knots apply.

Specifically for Competitors in this event, we ask you to confirm the following:

1. You will carry out a self-check prior to leaving home and do not come to the club if you or members of your household display any symptoms of COVID-19.
2. Do not attend this event if any of the following apply (a) you have been required to self-isolate by the track and trace service and that period has not expired; or (b) you are aware of any other circumstances that mean you should be self-isolating and that period has not expired; or (c) you should be adhering to quarantine or equivalent restrictions as a result of foreign travel.
3. Please follow the one-way traffic system which will be communicated to you in advance via email. Parking will be available in the public car-park to the side of Portchester Castle and boats should be taken to the Castle field adjacent to the slipway.
4. A link to a video briefing will be issued in advance. Any changes will be notified on the official notice board near the Sea Gate.
5. While the Club Changing Rooms are available, the limit on number of people in each room is set at six, so we suggest changing discretely in the boat park or club grounds. Showers are not available.
6. A maximum of six boats on the slipway at any one time. Sufficient time will be allowed to enable all boats to launch and get to the race area before the start.
7. Limited assistance may be provided by the club ribs, except in emergency. Please carry on board a 10m long floating line of at least 6mm as detailed in the NOR.
8. Club bar opening is currently under review. Sandwiches, cakes, crisps, tea and coffee will be available after racing without charge to competitors.
9. Prize Giving may be subject to limited attendance, details will be communicated in due course.

Your contact details will be retained by the Club for up to 3 weeks for Track and Trace purposes.

Above all, we ask all competitors to remain vigilant and considerate.