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The A2 Rigging Penzance Race

Saturday 10th July 2010

Sailing Instructions

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Helford River Sailing Club will hold a race to Penzance on Saturday 10th July 2010 to be known as the Penzance Passage Race and will form part of the COGS 2010 Series. The race will be sailed under current ISAF Rules, R.Y.A. Prescriptions, Class Rules, the COGS notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions. All competitors are required to fly I.C. flag "Z" whilst racing.

2 The Start. The starting line will be off Dennis Head, the approximate position of which is 50. 05. 38N, 005. 05. 87 W. The line will be between the class flag "Z" on the Committee Boat and a buoy positioned off the South shore of the river, laid by the Committee Boat on the day.

3 Start time and sign in.

Each boat must sign in by contacting the race officer on CH72 and declaring their yacht name and number of people on board. This must be completed at least 20 minutes before their start and not during the 20 minute period before other starts.

There will be two starts with the boats split by fleet in the following table;

Start Time	Fleet
09:15	PY
09:30	IRC

4 Starting Signals. Rule 26 will apply (5-4-1-0 start). A hooter will be used in addition to flags. Flags take priority over sound.

5 Abandonment of race. If conditions are unsuitable the race may be abandoned by flying Flag N from the HRSC clubhouse flagstaff from 08:30 hrs. Abandonment may also be broadcast on Ch 72.

6 Course. 1.Manacles Buoy to starboard, Gear Mark to starboard, Finish.

2.In the event of adverse weather. Manacles Buoy to starboard, Church Cove Buoy to port, Black Rock buoy to starboard, Eastern to starboard, Finish.

3.Light weather. Black Rock buoy to starboard, Manacles to port, Eastern to port, Finish.

4.Light weather. Eastern to starboard, Manacles to starboard, Black Rock buoy to starboard, Finish.

Courses will be indicated by numeral code flag displayed on the Committee Boat.

7 Navigation. Competitors are urged to study the Admiralty Charts of the Lizard, Falmouth Bay and Penzance areas to ensure adequate clearance is given to Nare Point, Lizard Point, Black Rock and hazards within Mounts Bay and the finish area.

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8 The Finish, course 1. The finishing line will be at the Penzance Sailing Club, which is a conspicuous building on the Albert Pier at (approx) 50.07.12N 005.31.72 W. The finish line will be between the red triangle on the clubhouse extending approximately 800m in an Easterly direction to a Black, Spherical, 4 foot diameter marker buoy approx 400m due south of the Cressar Pole. Yachts shall not pass to shoreward, between the Club House and an Inner distance mark (a Black, Spherical, 4 foot diameter marker buoy) located to the East of the Clubhouse and West of Western Cressar. Competitors note that differently coloured orange or yellow marks in close proximity to the finish line should be ignored.

The finish courses 2,3 and 4. Adverse or light weather courses will finish will be between a blue flag on a committee boat and Trebah mark in the Helford River.

9 Declaration. Yachts will be timed in, but additionally all competitors are required to complete the attached declaration card stating their time of crossing the finishing line and, if possible, the name of the yacht ahead and astern. Please hand your declaration card to the COGS representative at the PzSC clubhouse, if requested.

10 Protests. Protests arising out of the race must be made in writing and lodged with the COGS Representative in Penzance within one hour of the race time limit. Location : PzSC clubhouse.

11 Seaworthiness, Safety and Special Regulations. The Offshore Racing Council's Special Regulations Category 4 will be in force, with the inclusion of a life raft. Every yacht must carry a V.H.F. radio. It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to start or to continue the race.

12 Time Limit/Retirements. The time limit for all boats is 1700 BST, this changes Rule 35. Any yacht not finishing by this time will be deemed to have retired. The organizers will assume that all yachts entered will race. If any yacht fails to start, or retires, it must advise Penzance SC (01736 - 364989) or on Ch M1 or the HRSC Captain Yachts (07979 – 537450).

13 Liability. The race organizers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew, or any other person on board the vessel, as a result of their taking part in the race. Moreover, every competitor warrants the suitability of his yacht for the race. The safety of the yacht and its entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor who must ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by a crew sufficient in number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather.

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15. Description of marks. Co-ordinates are approximate. Competitors are advised to check.

Manacles buoy	Eastern Cardinal	50 02 806N 05 01 914W
Black Rock buoy	Red lit port hand buoy	50 08 688N 05 01 740W
Church Cove buoy	Yellow can	49 58 287N 05 10 778W
Eastern buoy	Yellow buoy 2.6m dia	50 04 750N 05 02 850W
Gear buoy (Note this <u>not</u> the Gear Pole South Cardinal Mark).	Yellow special pole buoy	50 06 550N 05 31 450W
Trebah	Red stick buoy	50 05 987N 05 07 109W

Please hand to the COGS representative on your arrival to PZSC

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Yacht Name: _____ Yacht
ahead: _____

Skippers Name: _____ Yacht
astern: _____

Finish Time: _____ Protest submitted*:
(Yes/No)

I declare that I have completed the above race within the
bounds of the supplied sailing instructions.

Skippers Signature: _____

Date: _____

*circle as appropriate

Supplementary Information

1. Friday at Helford. Yachts are welcome to stay the Friday night in the Helford River. Visitors moorings (green) are available and can be reserved through Simon Walker at Helford River Boats (01326 - 250749 or 250770). A water taxi is available before 17.30 hrs on M1 or Channel 37. Evening meals and bar snacks are available at the Clubhouse, which is open from 1800hrs.

2. Start Time. In order to give a fair rounding of the Lizard and to ensure arrival in time at Penzance to lock in to the harbour, there will be two start times. See S I para 3 above.

3. Tide Times. Low Water, Helford is 11:08 hrs BST (4.7m). High Water Penzance is 16:25 hrs BST (5.0m). The lock gate is therefore expected to be open between 1425 and 1725.

4. Penzance Harbour. The harbour gate is open from 2 hours before until 1 hour after High Water. There are yellow pick-up waiting buoys off the South Pier for those boats arriving early. The berthing master will allocate berths alongside or rafted up. Toilets and showers are available next to the berthing office.

Latest departure time on Sunday morning should be confirmed with the Harbour Master. Alternatively the gates will re-open in the evening.

Those that wish not to have an early morning departure on the Sunday (gates will be open approximately 0300 to 0600), may wish to consider remaining on the waiting buoys for the night. PzSC intend to have a rib available to ferry people to the clubhouse and may be contacted on Channel 37 (M1). However, please note that they will be on safety duty during the afternoon for the local regatta. It is prudent to check the weather forecast before committing to this, as Mounts Bay can be uncomfortable for yachts in some conditions.

6. Prizes. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the IRC and PY classes. The "A2 Rigging" IRC and PY trophies will be awarded to the first boat in each respective fleet. The Midnight Trophy will be presented to the first HRSC yacht, calculated on a PY basis. A special prize will be awarded to the first two-handed boat. PY handicaps will be determined by the COGS race committee.

7. Saturday evening at Penzance. Prize giving will take place at Penzance Sailing Clubhouse no earlier than 1930 hrs and the bar will be open from 1800hrs. There are no catering facilities available at PzSC, however, PzSC have a number of menus from the local Chinese and Indian restaurants which can deliver food to the club house (co-ordinated by some of our colleagues at PzSC), and the bar will be open throughout the evening.

8. Useful phone numbers:

Helford River Sailing Club 01326 - 231460

(Office) 01326 231006

(Steward) 01326 231414

HRSC Rear Commodore Sailing - John Jane - 01326 280624

HRSC Captain Yachts - Garth Weaver/ Stuart Sawyer - 07875 - 267689 / 07979 - 537450

Penzance Sailing Club 01736 - 364989 (or channel M1 (37))

Sam Kent, RC Cruisers 01736 - 366927 / 07812 - 340428
Jean Hall, Hon Cruiser Sec. 01736 - 369263
Helford River Moorings 01326 - 250770 / 250749
Penzance Harbour Master (Neil Clark) 01736 - 366113 (or VHF channel 12)

Friday evening & Saturday morning at HRSC

HRSC club stewards, Ali and Greg, would like to welcome you to the clubhouse on the Friday evening before the race.



A BBQ is available along with the menu of the day, but booking is required as the clubhouse can get busy this time of year, particularly on a Friday.

Breakfast is also available on the Saturday morning at 0800, subject to sufficient demand, pre-booking is required. Please call Ali or Greg on 01326 231414 to book your evening meal or breakfast.

Thank you for entering the HRSC Penzance Race. Please enjoy your weekend!