



## **VPRS National Championship**

to be held in the Central Solent

Saturday 27th May – Sunday 28th May 2017

**Chichester Cruiser Racing Club**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

#### **1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

#### **2 ADVERTISING**

Competitor advertising will be in accordance with ISAF regulation 20.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**3.1** The regatta is open to all boats, excluding sports boats, with a valid 2017 VPRS rating. Division of VPRS will depend on the number of entries received.

Yachts who wish to enter but do not have a VPRS rating may apply for a limited-validity certificate from [www.vprs.org](http://www.vprs.org)

**3.2** Entries shall be made on the official Entry Form (downloadable from the CCRC website) and be submitted on or before 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

**3.3** Entries made after 14<sup>th</sup> May will be at the discretion of the Race Committee and will be subject to a surcharge of 50% of the Entry Fee.

**3.4** Entries made on or before 14<sup>th</sup> May may be withdrawn subject to a handling fee of 20% of the Entry Fee.

#### **4 FEES**

**4.1** Required fees are as follows: £40 per boat.

**4.2** Limited-validity VPRS certificate is available from [www.vprs.org](http://www.vprs.org): £10 per boat.

#### **5 SCHEDULE**

Racing programme (Provisional)

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May: first warning signal 12:00. Up to 2 races depending on conditions.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May: first warning signal 10:30. Up to 3 races depending on conditions.

#### **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be downloadable from the CCRC website after 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

#### **7 VENUE**

Racing will take place in the central Solent.

#### **8 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

A mixture of windward/leeward, Olympic and round-the-cans courses will be set.

#### **9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS44.1 shall apply.

#### **10 SCORING**

**10.1** RRS Appendix A" and A4 low points scoring system will apply, amended as follows:

1. 4 races or fewer sailed, no discard.
2. 5 races sailed, 1 discard.

## **11 BERTHING**

Reserved berths will be available at Cowes Yacht Haven.

## **12 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **13 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for each class depending upon the number of entries.

## **14 RISK STATEMENT**

**14.1** Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

**14.2** Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

## **15 INSURANCE**

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

## **16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact [vprsnats@ccrc.co.uk](mailto:vprsnats@ccrc.co.uk)

### **Social events**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May:** Dinner at the Island Sailing Club.  
(Please indicate likely numbers on the Entry Form.)

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May:** Prize-giving at Cowes Corinthian Yacht Club



Prizes sponsored by Poole Sailing