



RVYC MOCRA OPEN SERIES 2023 NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISATION

This event is part of the East Wight Combined Club's series. The Organising Authority will be RVYC.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY & ENTRY FEE

Entrants must complete and return to the RVYC a 2023 Entry Form available from the RVYC website (or by e mail: office@rvyc.org.uk) before racing (www.rvyc.org.uk). This will include agreement to be bound to the "Risk Statement" in EWCC SI 22 which can be downloaded from <http://www.ewcc.co.uk>.

There is no entry fee.

All boats shall have a valid 2023 MOCRA Rating Certificate.

REGISTRATION & BRIEFING

Registration will be by radio (VHF Ch. M1) to the RVYC Race Officer (call sign: VIC Race Officer) once entrants are in the vicinity of the race course.

There will be no briefing.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Races shall be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024, RYA Prescriptions, MOCRA Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. RVYC SIs will apply as varied by this Notice of Race. SI's can be downloaded from the RVYC website.

Unless modified by the RO before racing the Class Flag **M (MOCRA)** will be used 5 minutes prior to the start time.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Date	HW (<i>Portsmouth</i>)	Timings	Events
7th May	HW 13:19 (4.6m)	Start 11:30	Race 1
21st May	HW 13:27 (4.5m)	Start 11:30	Race 2
4th June	HW 12:18 (4.5m)	Start 10:30	Race 3
18th June	HW 12:32 (4.4m)	Start 10:30	Race 5
16th July	HW 11:38 (4.2m)	Start 10:30	Race 6

SAILS, EQUIPMENT CHECKS & SAFETY

Boats shall comply with the current World Sailing Special Regulations for Category 4 races, except that regulations 3.13.1 (crash bulkheads), 3.15.2(c) and (d) (netting triangles), 3.14.4(c) (trimaran outrigger lines) and 3.14.4(d) (lifelines on catamarans) shall not apply. Spot checks to establish conformity with Class Rules may be made at the direction of the Race Committee before, during or after the series.

INSURANCE

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

COURSES & RACE FORMAT

The race course will be in the central and eastern Solent, between W Ryde Middle Buoy to the West and Kemps Quay buoy to the East. All racing marks will be on the 2023 RVYC Race Chart which can be downloaded from the RVYC website.

All races may be run as an Average Lap format at the discretion of the Duty Race Officer. For these races, competitors are required to repeat the course as notified to include the start/finish line at the end of each lap. Competitors will finish when the shortened course flag is displayed as they cross the start/finish line (irrespective of the number of laps completed). Clarification if necessary will be provided on VHF Ch M1.

STARTING

The start line will either use the RVYC race box, or a committee boat on the defined race course area.

Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

EXONERATION PENALTY, ADVISORY HEARING & RYA ARBITRATION

The exoneration Penalty and Advisory Hearing & RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

SCORING

Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply. There will be one discard if 4 or more races are completed.

PRIZES

Providing there are sufficient entries, a trophy (provided by RVYC) will be awarded to the winner of the series, and will be presented at the MOCRA AGM and/or prize giving.

COMMUNICATIONS

Race Information - Ch M1; Race Management - M2;

BERTHING

Berthing can be arranged the night before, and/or after by contacting the RVYC Office.

MEALS

The RVYC bar and galley will be open at the times advertised on the website.

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Vice Commodore, RVYC

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