



COWES HARBOUR COMMISSION

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 22(T) of 2019

Cowes Classics Week Regatta Racing:

Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August 2019

This Notice shall remain in force until 3rd August 2019

Notice is hereby given that the annual Cowes Classics Week races will take place between Monday 29th July and Friday 2nd August 2019. During this period heavy concentrations of sailing vessels of all types will be racing in the Solent, in the approaches to Cowes Harbour, Southampton Water and within The Precautionary Area (Thorn Channel). Mariners should be particularly vigilant and should maintain an efficient lookout for large vessels and sailing vessels and, at all times, navigate with extreme caution in these areas.

Starts and Finishes within and in the Approaches to Cowes Harbour

The Cowes Classics Week races will start from the Royal London Yacht Club (RLYC) Line or from a committee boat in the Solent. Shoreline start times will be from 1030 each day (1115 on Monday 29th).

More information can be found on the Cowes Classics Week website <https://www.cowesclassicsweek.org/>

Advice for All Mariners - Navigation within the Cowes Harbour Fairways

Vessels may enter or depart Cowes via the main Fairway or the new dredged Eastern Channel depending upon their size and draught and the direction of approach or departure.

Small craft including those racing or preparing to race should be vigilant for large and regular commercial traffic including Red Funnel vehicle and freight ferries, Red Jet passenger ferries, and cargo vessels, which

cannot safely navigate outside of the main fairways and are reminded of their duty under Rule 9 of the Collision Regulations to avoid impeding their safe passage.

All mariners should make themselves familiar with all relevant Cowes Local Notices to Mariners, which are available on the Cowes Harbour Commission website.

This Local Notice to Mariners will be self-cancelling on Saturday 3rd August 2019.

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Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.