

The Race Officer

Mark Wood has been involved with sailing and race management for many years. He is both a family member and former Commodore of Hayling Island Sailing Club. In the 1980s Mark went from a young dinghy sailor racing Europes (no 49) & Lasers at Queen Mary Sailing Club before switching to the sport of windsurfing. Within two years he became a professional windsurfer and competed in the waves, slalom and course racing events in locations around the World with a career highlight of being production Board World Champion in 1986. Turning back to his dinghy roots in the late 90's Mark then started competing in a Flying Fifteen - twice achieving top 10 positions at their Nationals.

Mark was part of the HISC race management team at the 2012 Olympics that ran racing for both the Finn and Star classes (Mark was ARO, running the Pin End) and has since been PRO for many events such as RYA Youth Nationals, Tasar Worlds, RS 200 Nationals, Laser World Sailing event , the 49er & Nacra 17 European Championships, RS Games, RS Aero Europeans, RS Feva Worlds, Finn Nationals, Laser Master Nationals & Flying Fifteen Nationals.