



# **2021 RS Aero UK National Championships & International Open**

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

## **Competitors Briefing**

**18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021**

# Race Management Principles

- Here to provide fair, safe, fun racing
- Orange Flag will be used – min. 2 mins
- Starting – On time
- U flag will be used and then Black (no P flag)
- If the start line needs adjusting, we will AP and lay it again
- Quick turnaround of races

# Key SIs to think about

- Wednesday's Challenge Cup has specific supplementary SIs. Please read!
- **Remember to Tally.** Key safety feature for the event and scoring penalties will be given to those that don't tally (SI 14.2c)
- Official noticeboard – online (SI 2.1)
- Respect the start line and keep clear if it is not your start (SI 9.2)

# Key SIs to think about

- Courses – will constantly be changed. Committee boat will display course designation when the warning signal for your start is displayed (SI 7.3)
- We may replace the gates with single marks (SI 7.2)
- Life jackets must be worn when afloat (SI 14.1)
- Tallies **MUST** be returned as soon as you return ashore.(SI 14.2d). We don't want to penalise you so please do not get changed, go to the bar or go home until you have returned your tally.

# Not in SIs but.....

- On a race that has started U flagged subsequent BFD'd boat numbers will be displayed on the back of the Committee Boat & Finish Boat.
- If there is a general recall on a Black Flag start the BFD'd boat numbers will only be displayed on the back of the Committee Boat.
- We will only give a horn for the first three finishers.

# Little requests ...

- Please have a tow rope on board or think about how we can tow you if required.
- When arriving at the course area please pass the back of the committee boat, or finish boat, so we can record your numbers (a smile or a wave is always appreciated!).
- Litter can go in safety boats or committee vessels.

# Sailing areas



# Committee Boat – Lady G



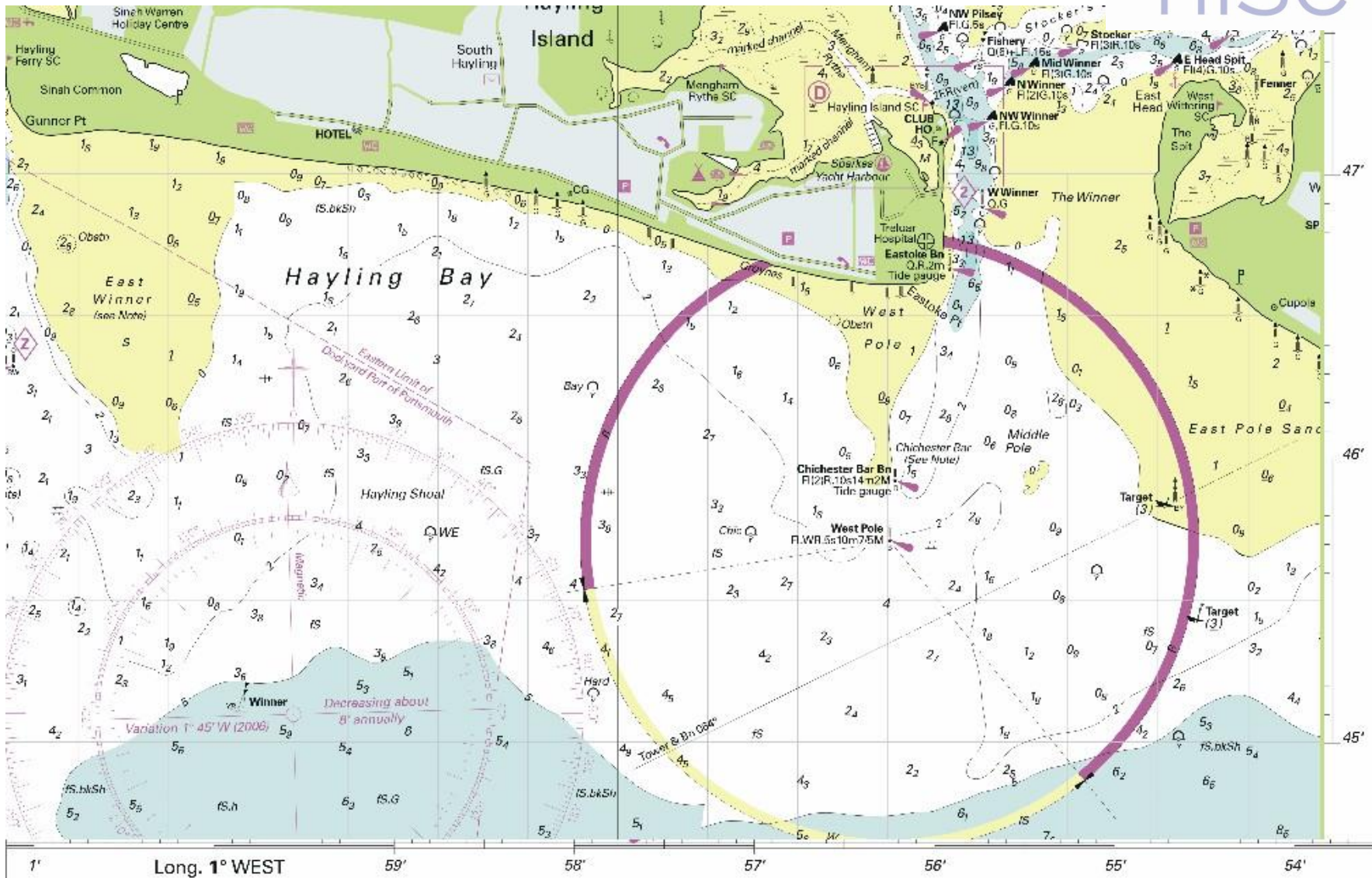


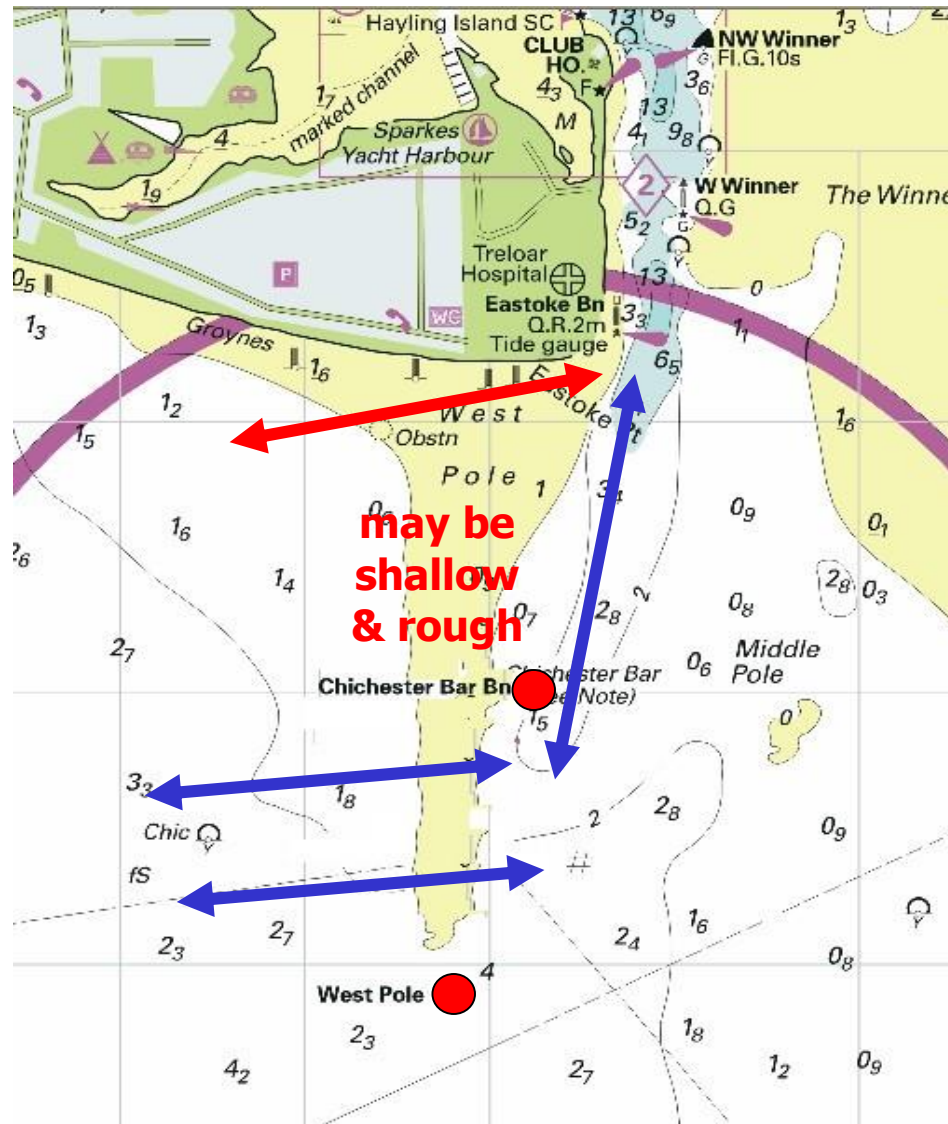
# Having a safe event

- **Tallies - vital for your safety**
  - Tally Boards BY SLIPWAYS NEAR CAR PARK – collect wrist band.
  - Hand back ASAP when ashore
  - D Flag to release you – 60mins minimum
  - try to let a patrol RIB know if retiring
  - We don't want to penalise any boat so remember to tally!
- **Weather - if it's unkind**
  - Strong wind, we escort you home
  - Calm wind , we tow you home - please be patient
  - Fog, gather at CB or a mark, we will lead you home

# Having a Safe Event

- **What to expect from Patrol RIBs**
  - their job is to ensure safety of people
  - sorry, not the 'AA', broken boats may have to wait, but we will try to help
- **Transit to and from the race area**
  - potentially hazardous water
  - not always easy to come home, be well prepared
  - patrol RIBs will direct you to safe water crossing points





# Course Area A

- If we are racing in Hayling Bay West (Course Area A) it is best to sail directly south from the entrance of Chichester Harbour and do not head west until you can pass “Bar Beacon” to starboard.
- Do the reverse on your return from the course area.



# Bar Beacon

(look's like a Pole!)



# West Pole

(Look's like a Beacon!)



# See you on the water!

- **Have fun**
- **Sail safe**
- **Respect your fellow competitors**
- **Be nice to the race team!**
  
- **AND DON'T FORGET TO TALLY 😊**