



**2018 “Messing About in Boats” Dinghy Regatta**  
**Saturday, August 18, 2018**  
**Sponsored By Premier Sailing in honor of their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
**Hosted by RRYC**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES** - The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

**2 ENTRIES/on the water check in:** - Can be made up to the start of the Skippers Meeting. All entries are required to sail past the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and be acknowledged by the RC.

**3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** - Cancellation of races for weather will be announced on at the skippers meeting or on the water by bullhorn.

**4 SCHEDULE and CLASS** – The regatta will consist of two or three round-the-buoy races. The mandatory skippers meeting will be held on the RRYC Club Porch at 12pm and will include a discussion of the courses. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1:00PM. The second race will start after boats have finished the first and the third if time allows after the completion of the first. There will one class and one start using the Sunfish flag as the class flag.

**5 RACING AREA** - The racing area will be in Carters Creek.

**6 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES** - The starting and finishing lines will be between the staff of an orange flag on the committee boat and an orange start or finish mark in the water. The starting sequence will follow RRS Rule 26.

**7 On the Water Communications-** Signal boat will use bullhorn for communications with the racers.

**9 TIME LIMITS** - The time limit will be 1.5 hours for the first boat to finish. Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat in its class will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS Rules 35, 63.1 and A 5. Tell the Race Committee if you retire from the race.

**10 PENALTIES and PROTESTS** – Any Part 2 infraction may be exonerated by a one-turn penalty. This changes rule 44.1.A turn is one tack and one jibe. Written protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee within 15 minutes of the Committee Boat docking. Forms are available on the RRYC Club bulletin board. Hearings will be held at the RRYC Clubhouse at a time designated by the Principal Race Officer.

**11. EQUIPMENT** - Single-handed racers shall wear a life jacket throughout a race.

**12 SCORING and AWARDS** – The Portsmouth Yardstick handicapping system and the Low Point Scoring System, Para. A4 of the RRS, will be used. Assigned ratings are final. One race may constitute the regatta and all races will be scored. Awards will be made on the RRYC Club porch after racing.

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