## RULES

The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

## ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to all boats with RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap ratings.

Entrants must be club members.

It is a condition of entry that the helm and crew each perform at least one duty i.e. Race Officer, Safety Boat Officer or Assistant Safety Boat Officer as well as any extra duties allocated pro rata depending on the number of competitors. Sign up for duties on the sheet posted in the Clubhouse. The DutyMan rota is not being used.

## SCHEDULE

Dates of racing: Each Sunday from 7th January to 25th March 2018

Number of races: There will be one or two races per day, depending on conditions and entries.

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 11.00.

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The 2018 Sailing Instructions, as posted in the Clubhouse will apply. Note that those Sailing Instructions supersede those printed in the 2017 Handbook.

Supplementary sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board.

## THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as directed by the Race Officer on the day, as posted on the course board next to the Race Hut.

In the absence of a Race Officer, and if conditions permit, racing will be conducted from the safety boat.

At the Race Officer’s discretion, a separate start may be employed for Junior sailors.

## PENALTY SYSTEM

Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

## SCORING

Scoring will be the low score system, as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

## PRIZES

A trophy will be awarded to the series winner.

## SAFETY CONDITIONS

All participants must wear suitable clothing of full wet suit or dry suit, plus buoyancy aid.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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