



“FAST CATS” SHEARWATER TROPHY

Saturday 9th June 2018

Carey Olsen is delighted to sponsor for its third year, the Carey Olsen “Fast Cats” Shearwater Trophy, as a part of the Carey Olsen Inter-Island Yacht Race which this year will start in Guernsey and finish in Jersey.

The Inter-Island Yacht Race has achieved its status due to the dedicated efforts of the organisers and sponsors past and present. We are very grateful to Clive Le Tissier and his team at the Guernsey Yacht Club (“GYC”) for organising the race, for their enthusiastic support for Carey Olsen and the for use of their facilities for the race briefing and the start. Our thanks also to Steve Pearl and Chris Parlett of St Helier Yacht Club (“SHYC”) for providing the facilities of the SHYC for the award evening. Once again we hope to encourage as many participants as possible to join in what will be a fun-packed event for competitive as well as leisure sailors and in the evening there will be a meal, prize-giving and music.

There are separate Sailing Instructions for anybody interested in entering for the Shearwater Trophy and a separate Entry Form will need to filled in which can be found on-line at www.gyc.org.gg.

Race Packs for both Jersey and Guernsey skippers for both races will be available on Thursday 7th June 2018. Jersey entrants can collect them from the SHYC before crews sail over to Guernsey and Guernsey entrants from the GYC.

2018 PROGRAMME

Friday 8th June at the Guernsey Yacht Club

- 17:30-18:45 hrs Happy Hour at the GYC.
- 19:00 hrs - the race briefing will be held at the GYC.

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- 07:30 - 09:30 hrs Bacon rolls, coffee etc. can be purchased at the GYC.
- 10:00 hrs The race will start. In accordance with the Sailing Instructions the time limit is 18:00 hrs.
- It is important to remember to submit your Declaration Form on arrival at the SHYC **BEFORE** you relax and enjoy the bar facilities or the delights of St Helier.
- 13:00 – 18:00 hrs Enjoy the bar service at the SHYC.
- 15:00 – 18:00 hrs Live entertainment in the clubroom at the SHYC.
- 18:00 – 20:00 hrs Supper will be available for holders of the supper vouchers between these hours – no set seating is allocated. Tickets can be booked on Part 2 of the Entry Form. The Supper Ticket price of £12.50 per head includes: a choice of Hungarian Pork, South African Cape Malay Chicken Curry, Beef Chilli Con Carne, Vegetable Noodle Stir Fry, plus rice, chips, mixed leaves, French bread and Jersey Dairy Ice Cream.
- 20:00 – 20:45 hrs Alex Ohlsson, Managing Partner, Carey Olsen, will present the prizes accompanied by Clive Le Tissier, Commodore of the GYC, and David de Carteret, Vice Commodore of the SHYC.
- 20:45 - 24:00 hrs SHYC bar remains open.

Winners List

Shearwater Trophy Winner	Raven Russia – J Hamilton / B Garnham
Shearwater Trophy Winner	Hobie 565 -A Jesson

Photographs / Video

Louise Bennett-Jones will be taking photographs during the race. You will have the opportunity to place your orders on the night or alternatively orders can be placed lbennettjones@hotmail.com.

We are so looking forward to seeing new and familiar faces taking part in the race this year and look forward to your company during the evening’s entertainment.

The Carey Olsen Team

CAREY OLSEN



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NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority: Guernsey Yacht Club LBG (“GYC”)

HW St Peter Port: 15:40, 7.4m HW ST Helier: 15:50, 8.66m

PART ONE- GENERAL

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in World Sailing’s, *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* (“WS RRS”)
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply
- 1.3 WS RRS 26, 29.1, 29.2, 35, A4 & A5 and 62.1 have been changed. The changes appear in full in Part Two – Race Instructions in clauses 12, 20, 21, 22 and 25.

2 ADVERTISING

WS RRS 20.3 will apply

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Entry is open to all Catamarans with a Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap (“PY”) faster than 814 and which comply with 3.1 below:

- 3.1 Each Catamaran shall:
 - a) comply with the safety requirements in their respective class rules,
AND
 - b) carry the following **MANDATORY** equipment:
 - a fully functional waterproof VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on CH 16 and CH 37/M1 either in the trampoline pocket or on the lower part of the mast or similar for easy access when capsized;
 - a waterproof GPS or GPS chart plotter;
 - 1 red parachute flare OR 3 flare pack attached under trampoline or behind either beam for easy access when capsized;
 - 1 towing line (minimum 12m * 8mm with stretch – not a halyard or similar);
 - 1 paddle (at least 120cm) attached by shock cord to the Catamaran (for example on the boom); and
 - 1 First Aid Kit (containing as a minimum sterile gauze dressings, bandages and plasters in a variety of different sizes) in a waterproof bag available on the trampoline (not stowed away in the hull).
- 3.2 The following **MANDATORY** equipment shall be carried on each crew/competitor:
 - A dry suit or Wet suit which must be worn at all times;
 - 1 fully charged mobile phone in a waterproof pocket;
 - 1 buoyancy aid and whistle;
 - 1 red hand-held flare OR 1 waterproof flashlight with strobe function attached to Lifejacket; and
 - 1 Knife attached to Lifejacket OR 1 Knife attached to boom and 1 Knife on the Dolphin striker for use when capsized.
- 3.3 All safety equipment must be in date and/or in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions including, but not limited to, all lifejackets/personal flotation devices and flares.
- 3.4 Catamarans will not be permitted to race if, in the opinion of the Organising Authority, the weather conditions are unsuitable. The decision of the Organising Authority shall be final.



4 SAIL NUMBERS

All Catamarans are required to carry sail numbers on the mainsail. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

5 INSPECTIONS

The Organising Authority reserves the right to board and inspect any Catamaran's compliance with these Sailing Instructions at any time on the day of the race. Any Catamaran refusing to allow the Organising Authority to inspect it or any non-compliance with the terms of these Sailing Instructions (in particular, Clause 3) by a Catamaran will result in the immediate disqualification of the Catamaran concerned.

6 ENTRY

Entry Forms can be found on-line at www.gyc.org.gg. Payment, of the Entry Fee must be made in accordance with the instructions on the Entry Form prior to the Closing Date which shall be:

Saturday 2nd June 2018 at 12:00

Entry Fee £30 per Catamaran

Late entries will be accepted if received by 12:00 on Wednesday 14th June 2017 together with a Late Entry Fee of £60. The price of Supper Tickets can be found in the letter accompanying these Sailing Instructions or on the Entry Form.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CONDITIONS OF ENTRY WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED

7 HANDICAPS

A PY handicap will be allocated to each Catamaran by the GYC Sailing Committee. The decision by the Organising Authority on handicaps shall be final. It is the responsibility of the Catamaran owners to bring to the notice of the Organising Authority any alterations which may affect handicaps.

8 ENTRY LIST

An Entry List will be posted at the St Helier Yacht Club ("SHYC") and on the GYC Website at www.gyc.org.gg as soon as possible after the close of entries, but no later than 21:00 hrs on the day before the race.

9 SCHEDULE OF RACE

Racing shall take place on Saturday 9th June 2018.

The scheduled time of the warning signal shall be 09:50 hrs.

10 PRIZES

10.1 The Shearwater Trophy is perpetual and will be awarded to the overall winner using the PY handicap system. Prizes will also be awarded to the Catamarans placed first, second and third.

10.2 A minimum of two starters is necessary to be eligible for a prize.

11 RISK STATEMENT

WS RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;



- (e) The provision of a race management team, support boats and other officials and volunteers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of support boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to the venue drawn to their attention in any rules and/or information produced and to attend any race and/or safety briefings held for the event;
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew; and
- (i) Their boat is adequately insured with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims.

Neither the establishment of these conditions, their use by the Organising Authority, nor the inspection of a boat under these conditions in any way limits the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor.



PART TWO – SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

12 THE START

12.1 WS RRS 26 is modified as follows:

09:50 hrs Ten minute warning signal, International Code Flag C.

09:55 hrs Five minute preparatory signal, International Code Flag P.

10:00 hrs Start signal, Flags lowered.

The start may be counted down on VHF CH 37/M1

12.2 The start line will be an extension of a transit through two triangles mounted on the east side of Castle Cornet. The outer distance mark will be an orange buoy approximately 1400 metres east north east of Castle Cornet which must be left to port.

12.3 For identification purposes all Catamarans must, prior to the warning signal, pass between Castle Cornet and a yellow buoy approximately 300 metres east south east of Castle Cornet with mainsail hoisted and clearly showing the Catamaran's sail number.

13 THE COURSE – The course will be **from Jersey to Guernsey** as follows:-

Start (See Rule 12.2 of these Sailing Instructions)

Lower Heads buoy to port

Corbiere Lighthouse to port

East Rock buoy to port

Finish (see Rule 14.1 of these Sailing Instructions)

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finish line is situated to the west of La Collette Marina jetty in the small roads to St. Helier harbour, crossed from south to north. The finish will be an imaginary line drawn through the middle of the 2 conspicuous red triangles located at the SHYC start hut on the rubble jetty enclosing the La Collette yacht-basin, marking the eastern end of the line. A red buoy marks the outer limit of the finish line but does not form part of the finish line transit.

14.2 Each Catamaran shall record their elapsed time and finishing time and complete the Declaration Form noting the Catamaran (or boat) ahead and astern of them. The form shall be presented to the Race Office at the SHYC no later than one hour after finishing. Catamarans not declaring may be disqualified.

14.3 Each yacht shall also record on the Declaration Form their time of crossing the following transit lines:

14.3.1 a bearing of 60° True to L'Etac Rock (South South East of Sark)

14.3.2 a bearing of 60° True to Corbiere Lighthouse to port

15 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards located at the GYC and the SHYC

16 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 21:00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

17 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the SHYC



18 CLASS FLAGS

The warning signal for shall be flag C

19 MARKS

The marks shall be the fixed navigational marks specified in the course described in Rule 13 of these Sailing Instructions.

20 TIME LIMIT

Catamarans failing to finish before 18:00 hrs shall retire immediately and will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes WS RRS 35, A4 and A5

21 INDIVIDUAL RECALL

WS RRS 29.1 is modified as follows: premature starters shall be recalled by display of International Code Flag X and one sound signal. The flag will be concealed when all Catamarans have started correctly.

22 GENERAL RECALL

WS RRS 29.2 is modified as follows: Catamarans shall be recalled by the display of first substitute and two sound signals. The five minute preparatory signal for a new start shall be made one minute after the flag is removed. Any Catamaran failing to start correctly may have 10% added to their elapsed time if they are not disqualified by the Organising Authority.

23 RETIREMENT

Any Catamaran retiring from the race shall:-

- 23.1 notify the Race Officer and their respective safety boat by informing them on VHF CH 37/M1 and advising the Organising Authority either in Guernsey or Jersey;
- 23.2 if proceeding to Jersey, pass close to the finish line whilst clearly showing sail number; and
- 23.3 hand in a Declaration Form at the GYC or SHYC within two hours of arriving in port.

24 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 24.1 Protest forms will be available from the SHYC. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit and all protests lodged must be accompanied by a £25 deposit that will be refunded unless the protest is found to be frivolous or vexatious.
- 24.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last Catamaran has finished the race. The same time limit applies to protests by the Organising Authority about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress
- 24.3 Notices will be posted within 90 minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors of hearings to which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the SHYC as soon as possible after the Protest Time Limit
- 24.4 Notices of protests by the Organising Authority will be posted to inform Catamarans under WS RRS 61.1(b).

25 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 25.1 Prior to the start of racing Catamarans should maintain watch on VHF CH 37/M1 for any communication from the Organising Authority. Such communication may include a verbal countdown during the starting sequence. Non-reception of any message by any Catamaran shall not provide grounds for redress against the Organising Authority. This changes WS RRS 62.1
- 25.2 Boats are to maintain watch on VHF CH 16 whilst racing
- 25.3 Except in emergency, a Catamaran shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all Catamarans. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.



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Sail number	
Catamaran name	
Skipper's name	
Team name (if applicable)	

Did Not Start	YES / NO	Retired	YES / NO
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(Please use an accurate time source such as GPS)

Transit 1 - L'Etac Rock			
	Hrs	mins	secs
Transit 2 – Corbiere Lighthouse			
	Hrs	mins	secs

Finishing time (BST)			
	hrs	mins	secs
Elapsed time			
	hrs	mins	secs
Sail number and name of Catamaran (or boat) ahead			
Sail number and name of Catamaran (or boat) astern			

Signature of Skipper

Failure to complete a Declaration and deliver it to the SHYC in accordance with Clause 14.2 may result in disqualification.