2018 Sundowner SeriesThursday Evening Early Series

Hayling Island Sailing Club

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS #1 (Applies Only to Cruiser Class Competitors)

Bang & Go Back Race Format

For the Cruiser Class Early Series, the 'Bang and Go Back' race format will apply, as follows: The course will be announced on VHF channel 37 (M) at 15 minutes prior to the warning signal, in accordance with NOR-SI 5.1.

At a time decided by the race committee the turn signal will be announced on VHF channel 37 (M). The announcement will be 'BANG and GO BACK'. At this point all boats shall turn and retrace the course, leaving marks on the opposite side to that originally announced.

Fair Sailing:

For this event to be successful all competitors are required to enter into the spirit of the event and at all times sail as they would normally in a race. Competitors are reminded of the Fair Sailing requirement in RRS 2. To ensure that these principles are adhered to the race committee will disqualify without a hearing any boat which in their opinion is not sailed in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing or to its best advantage at all times throughout the race. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

Examples of unfair sailing include but are not limited to: not using a downwind sail outbound but using one on the return, increasing mainsail and/or headsail area for the return, and having an uncharacteristically poor start.

Starting Penalty:

Boats failing to start within 30 seconds of the starting signal will be subject to a time penalty of 60 seconds per 30 seconds late, added to their elapsed time for the race. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.