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8th September 2018
Poole Bay

MULTISPARK

Challenge Trophy

RACE INSTRUCTIONS

8TH SEPTEMBER 2018

UKOPRA BRITISH OFFSHORE 1 & 2

BASIC RACE

CLASS 3

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The Multispark Challenge Trophy

Organised by:

2017MOTO Ltd

Sanctioned by:

UKOPRA

Hosted by:

Cobb's Quay Marina

Hamworthy, Poole, Dorset BH15 4EL

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Safety VHF channel M37 (It is strongly recommended that all Class 3 craft carry a VHF radio, this may be of the handheld type).

Entries:

UKOPRA British Offshore 1 & 2
(Marathon)

£350.00

UKOPRA Class 3

£200.00

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Timetable:

Saturday 8th September

Race Administration	07:00	17:30
Cobb's Quay Marina		
Signing In	07:00	09:00
Cobb's Quay Marina		
Drivers Briefing	09:00	09:30
Cobb's Quay Marina		
Safety briefing	09:35	10:00
Cobb's Quay Marina		
Scrutineering	07:00	11:00
Cobb's Quay Marina		
Leave Cobb's Quay in convoy behind Start Boat	12:00	
Race Start	13:00	
Bournemouth Pier		
Prize Giving	18:00	

Tide Timetable:

Saturday 8th September

	Low	High	Low	High
Time	01:34	07:48	13:48	19:57
Depth (Meters)	0.16 meters	1.73 meters	0.26 meters	1.94 meters

Race Officials:

Officer of the Day	Kerry Bobin
Assistant Officer of the Day	Danielle Strawford
Safety Officer	Danielle Strawford
Safety Consultant	Richard Salaman
Medical Officer	John Atkins
Race Secretary	Julie Kirkup
Scrutineers	Geoff Purves
	Steve Wallace
Trainee Scrutineer	Kevin Jones
Timekeepers	TBA
	TBA

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Information (1):

Rules and Regulations:

These races will be run as stated in these Race Instructions, UKOPRA Class rules 2018 and any other instructions issued before or at Drivers' Briefings or in Race Bulletins.

Racing rules can be found at www.ukopra.co.uk

2017 Moto Limited in conjunction with the OOD, Safety Officer and Scrutineers have the right to refuse any boat which they consider unsuitable and/or which does not conform to the requirements of the present Rules.

2017 Moto Limited, the OOD and Safety Officer reserve the right to change these Instructions at any time for safety reasons, provided that any change will be in accordance with the current rules. Any changes will be notified to competitors in a Race Bulletin and, if possible, announced at Drivers' Briefing.

Any infringement of the Rules or of the Race Instructions, or instructions issued at Drivers' Briefings or in race Bulletins may lead to disqualification or other penalties being applied by the OOD and / or 2017 Moto Limited.

Licences:

All competitors will be required to hold an UKOPRA Offshore Powerboat Racing licence. Licence application forms can be found at www.ukopra.co.uk/multispark-challenge-trophy

All race boats must be registered with UKOPRA who will complete an electronic Logbook. Competitors not correctly registered will not be allowed to race.

Class rules requiring Immersion Certificates and/or Sea Survival and First Aid must produce valid evidence at Signing On.

Entries:

An online entry can be found at www.ukopra.co.uk with payment details.

Trophies:

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Class.

Competitors Responsibility:

Competitors must read the Risk Statement and Indemnity at the front of these race instructions as well as the safety information at the back.

By signing the race entry form and the official signing on form at the event all competitors must be aware of:

- a). Collision regulations, SOLAS regulations.
 - b) Start procedures
 - c) Overtaking rules
 - d) Flag procedures
 - e) Emergency assist procedures
 - f) Responsible for the choice and fit of helmet.
 - g) The choice and efficiency of a racing vest being the sole responsibility of the wearer.
- Competitors are reminded that Safety takes precedence over racing at all times.

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Information (2):

Event Safety Cover:

Safety cover will be provided by the race organisers in accordance with the event risk assessment and safety deployment plan. Full details of safety cover will be given to all competitors at Drivers' Briefing. Safety control will operate from a number of locations. MCA will be informed of the event and kept up to date with race information during the races.

Competitors are reminded that Marathon Class racing is for sea worthy offshore craft capable of undertaking independent extended offshore passages in unprotected waters.

All competitors running boats with cockpit safety cells and restraints are reminded that they are responsible for their own safety and that, in the event of a capsize, their survival depends on their ability to extract themselves from the boat. Limited safety cover at the event may be able to assist, but all crews must accept that this assistance cannot be relied upon and should be considered as secondary to their own capacity for self-extraction.

Timing / Courses:

All boats will be timed from the Race Control vehicle on Bournemouth Cliffs where the Safety Officer will be stationed.

All marks will be observed either from land or sea. Safety Boats will fly a flag to be described at Briefing.

Retirement:

All competitors are reminded that they must inform the Event Safety Officer or, if this is not possible, a race official as soon as they retire from the race. Competitors are also reminded that, where practical, they must raise their ORANGE FLAG to indicate they have retired from the race. Retiring boats with canopies must turn on their strobe light.

In the event of retirement, boats must report immediately to 'Safety Control' on VHF Channel 37, or by telephone to the Event Safety Officer on +44 7721 694135 or, if possible, to the nearest safety/Observer boat.

When reaching port, they should immediately make contact with Race Administration in person, or by telephone on...., to 'sign off'.

Any competitor calling for assistance via recognised distress procedures or from Safety Control will be considered to have retired.

Finishing:

When the leading boat in each race crosses the finish line (as described in the course details) they will be shown the class FINISH FLAG, to be described at Briefing. All following boats in the class will then be flagged as finishers. On receiving the FINISH FLAG, race boats must come off the plane after crossing the above line, and within 100 metres of such. It is not permitted to continue racing after receiving the FINISH FLAG. Boats should then turn to starboard, towards the centre of the course, and proceed towards the Committee Boat where they may be further instructions given.

When it is safe to do so, all race boats should make their way back to Cobb's Quay, observing all Harbour speed limits. Any competitor who disobeys instructions from the local authorities will be subject to civil prosecution and may be disqualified.

To qualify as a finisher, competitors must complete the correct course within the stated time limit, within the rules and in accordance with Race Instructions, Race Bulletins and any further instructions given at Drivers' Briefing.

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Information (3):

Post-Race Declaration:

The Driver or Co-Driver must sign off at race administration as soon as possible after returning to Cobb's Quay.
Failure to do so within one hour of returning to the Marina may result in exclusion from the results.

Protest:

As this race is not part of the UKOPRA Championship, there will be no protest procedure.

Race Jury:

As this race is not part of the UKOPRA Championship, there will be no Race Jury.

Race Cancellation:

2017 Moto Limited may cancel or postpone the event or a race at any time in the event of bad weather, equipment failure or otherwise.
The entry fee is not refundable unless specified by 2017 Moto Limited.

Registration:

On arrival to Cobb's Quay, all crew members must report immediately to Race Control. Once signed on race boats may not leave Cobb's Quay by road or water unless they have permission from the Chief Marshall.

Scrutineering:

Pre-race Scrutineering will take place in the pit area in accordance with class specific rules.
Competitors are reminded of the following points:

- 1). Ultimately competitors are responsible for the seaworthiness and condition of their own craft and that they are carrying all equipment required to race within the rules.
- 2). All craft will receive a basic safety check over with random specific checks pre-race.
- 3). Prior to racing all competitors are to sign to confirm that their craft comply with minimum class weight limits.

Fuelling Arrangements:

Competitors should arrive at Cobb's Quay fully fuelled for the race. Be aware of the distance Cobb's to the start line and ensure boats have enough fuel to get out, race and return without assistance.
Competitors are reminded that no transfer of fuel is permitted in the pit or launching areas.
All smoking, of any type, is prohibited in the pit and launching areas.

Launching:

Marathon boats are encouraged to arrive at Cobb's on their bottoms and fully fuelled.
Trailer boats may only launch under the instruction of the Chief Marshal.
Launching will be on a first come first served basis.

Practice:

There will be no official practice for this event.

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Information (4):

Departure and Transit to Muster Area:

At 12.00 hours the Start Boat will leave Cobb's Quay, all boats intending to race must leave in a convoy, line astern, behind the start boat, to be followed by the Safety Fleet. The convoy will proceed through Poole Harbour, observing the byelaws for speed and wake. At a suitable point having left the East Looe Channel the Start Boat will release the fleet; you may speed up on the plane when released to proceed to the Muster Area.

Drivers Briefing:

All crew must attend the entire briefing and failure to attend the briefing will entail disqualification. Random Breathalyser and Drug tests may be given, a failure of the test will ensure disqualification from the Event.

Flags:

All flag signals are fully described in the 2018 UKOPRA Offshore Racing Rules where differences occur. All competitors must have a full understanding of all flag signals. If a competitor fails to acknowledge the flags, they will immediately be disqualified. The finish flags for each class will be described at drivers briefing.

Noise and Speed Restrictions:

Competitors should familiarise themselves with and must obey the local regulations and Bye Laws relating to excessive speed and noise >> www.phc.co.uk

Any competitor speeding within the Harbour confines will be disqualified.

All competitors are requested to refrain from starting their engines unless absolutely necessary before proceeding to the race.

Penalties:

Smoking of any kind, including vaping, in any non-designated area will incur a £50 penalty.

Any driver deemed by the OOD or Safety Officer to be driving in a dangerous or reckless manner will be disqualified from that day's racing and referred to the UKOPRA for further training.

Overtaking Rule:

All UKOPRA British Offshore 1 & 2 and Invitation boats are to ensure any overtake on Class 3 boats is taken to give clear water and space to their Starboard side. All boats are reminded of the general requirement not to place their vessel in a position where they cannot avoid collision at any time.

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Course and Procedures:

Laps: Class 3

Lap A, Lap A, Lap A, Lap A

Distance 49.20 NM

Laps: UKOPRA British Offshore 1 & 2 (Marathon)

Lap B, Lap B, Lap B, Lap B

Distance 74.00 NM

Muster Area:

An area to the south west of Alum Outfall, counter clockwise around the muster boat; to be described at the briefing.

Start Run:

As per UKOPRA rules.

Start Line:

An imaginary line of approx. 750 metres wide, between Bournemouth Pier Outfall Buoy and 30 metres North of the Committee Boat.

NB: For the start the Committee boat will be further South, it will then move slightly North to form the lap/ finish line.

Start Procedure:

As per UKOPRA rules.

During the start run for both races, all race boats should follow the Start Boat forming up in line abreast on the Start Boat's port quarter whilst remaining at least 30 meters behind the Start boat and observing a safe spreading distance of at least 3 meters between boats.

No boat shall run directly behind the stern of the start boat.

A boat that is in the muster area but is unable to start for any reason must not interfere with the start.

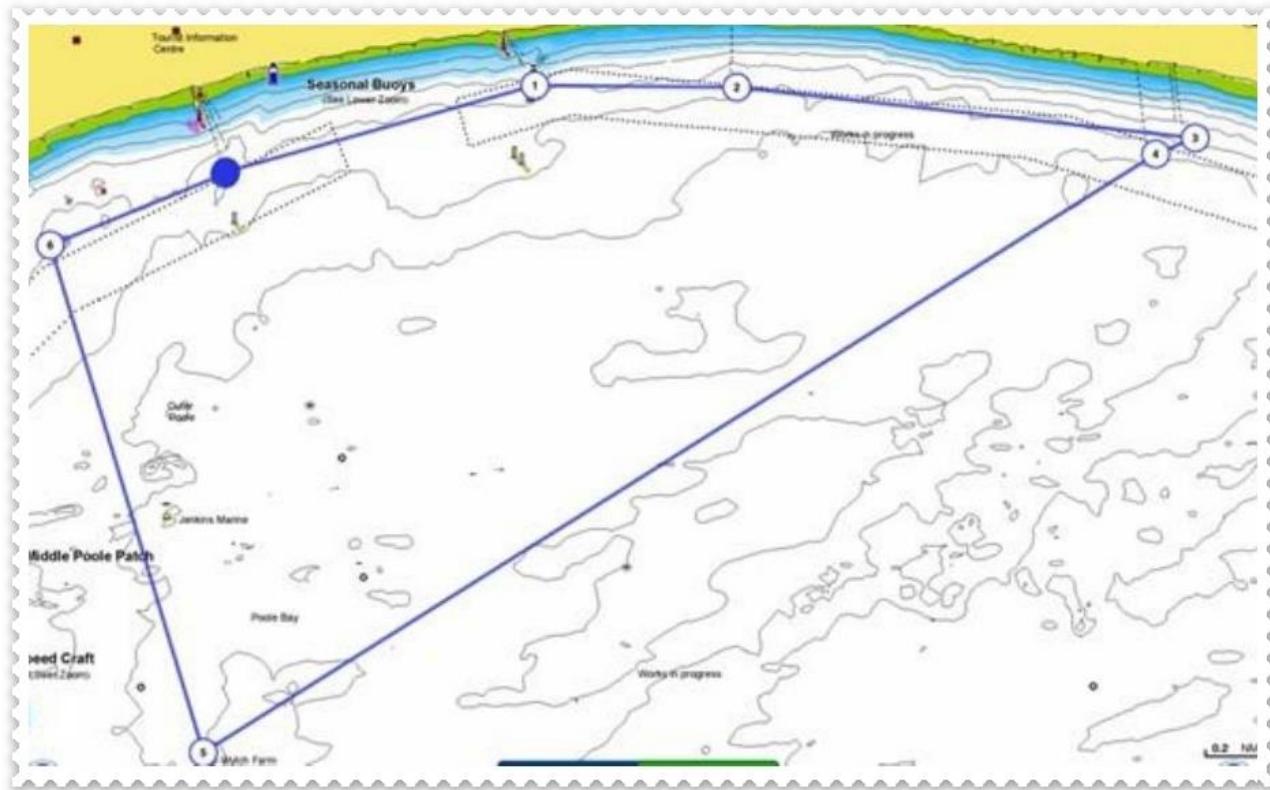
Late starters are only permitted at the discretion of the OOD.

Lap / Finish Line:

Line between Bournemouth Pier Outfall Buoy and 30 Metres North of the Committee Boat, approximately 400 metres wide.

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Lap A – 12.30 NM

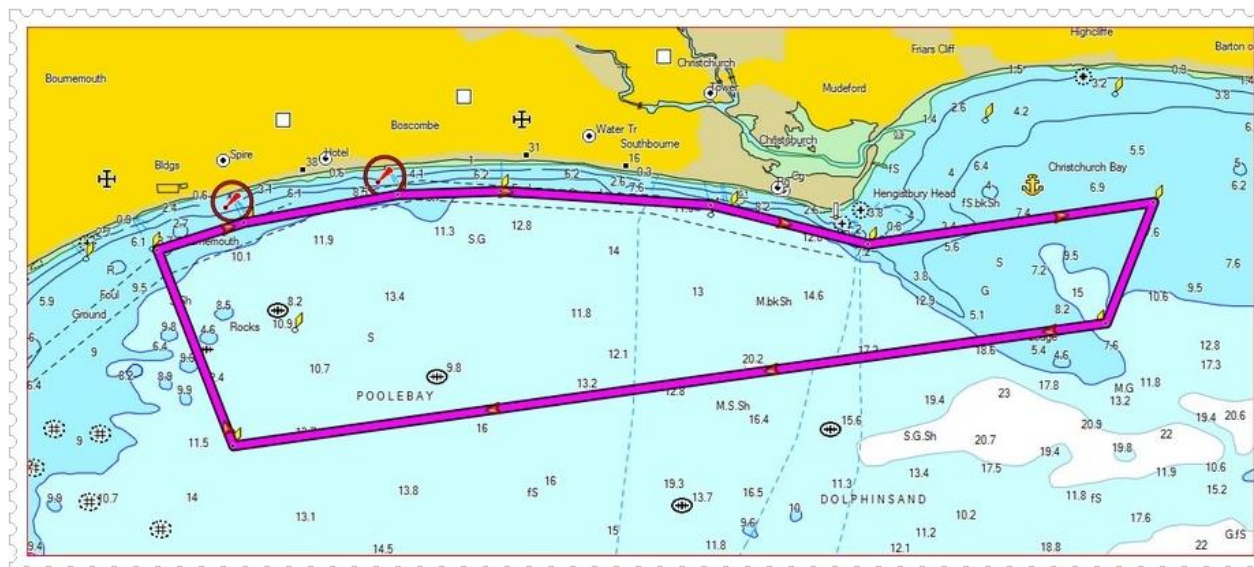


Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P	50 42 605	1 52 303
Mark A	Boscombe Pier	Yellow Buoy	S	50 42 891	1 50 400
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S	50 42 948	1 49 121
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S	50 42 747	1 46 246
Mark D	Southbourne Outfall	Yellow Can	S	50 42 679	1 46 487
Mark E	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S	50 40 304	1 52 450
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S	50 42 320	1 53 401
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P		

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Lap B – 18.50 NM



Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P	50 42 605	1 52 303
Mark A	Boscombe Pier	Yellow Buoy	S	50 42 891	1 50 400
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S	50 42 948	1 49 121
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S	50 42 747	1 46 246
Mark D	Hengistbury Head	Yellow Buoy	P	50 42 379	1 44 519
Mark E	Undefined	Yellow Can	S	50 42 809	1 40 957
Mark F	Undefined	Yellow Can	S	50 41 571	1 41 550
Mark G	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S	50 40 304	1 52 450
Mark H	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S	50 42 320	1 53 401
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P		

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The UKOPRA Offshore Trophy



In addition to class wins, the final race of the UKOPRA season will be contested by all offshore classes for a newly commissioned award which will be unveiled at the final awards ceremony to be held at the end of the year.

The UKOPRA Offshore trophy 'displayed' will be awarded on the day and the winner will be known as the 2018 UKOPRA Offshore Champion.

In line with the average race speeds attained during the season to date the race itself will consist of a 49.2nm course for UKOPRA Class 3 boats and a 74nm course for UKOPRA Class 1, 2 and Invitation.

The race will comprise a singular start for all boats with the final chequered flag awarded to the first boat to complete their allotted course distance. All boats will be shown the chequered flag from that point on regardless of whether they have completed the full race distance.

As consequence the 70% rule will not apply, and a valid starter will be deemed a valid finisher and registered as a final position with missed laps if applicable.

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Risk Statement:

Powerboat Racing is by its nature a dangerous sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By participating in or becoming involved either as a participant, team member or otherwise individuals agree and acknowledge that:

- (i) they are aware of the inherent risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for exposing themselves to such inherent risk, including risks to their person, their property, drowning, hypothermia, collision injuries burns and other physical injuries as well as possible death
- (ii) they have satisfied themselves that they have the necessary skill and knowledge to take part in the event and deal with the conditions that may arise in the course of a race
- (iii) they will not participate in the event whilst under the undue influence of alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate
- (iv) they are responsible for the safety of themselves their crew their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore
- (v) the management of their boat including insurance is solely their responsibility
- (vi) scrutineering does not constitute a condition survey of the boat and it is solely their responsibility to decide whether or not to start or to continue in any powerboat race.
- (vii) ensuring the efficiency and suitability of the helmets and racing vests worn is solely their responsibility
- (viii) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other volunteers by the event organisers does not relieve them of their responsibilities
- (ix) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances
- (x) to be bound by the conditions of the Race Entry Form and Racing Instructions
- (xi) they will accept the decisions of the organising committee and officials nominated by the organising committee.

INDEMNITY

Participants in the event will be required on signing on to the event to save harmless and keep indemnified:

- (a) The owners of the premises at which the event is held;
- (b) The organising club and their respective officials, servants and agents; and,
- (c) The other boat owners, drivers, passengers or mechanics engaged in the meeting, (together with the "Indemnified Parties") AGAINST all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect of loss of or damage to the property of or personal injury sustained to the Indemnified Parties to the extent caused by the participants, their crew, their boat, their mechanics, support team, representatives or agents.

THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS RACE IS THE TEAM'S DECISION