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NOTE: Alterations from the Sailing Instructions for the 1999 Series are identified by a marginal line.

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL RACES

1.1 RULES AND RESPONSIBILITY

1.1.1 The BELL LAWRIE SCOTTISH SERIES 2000 (“the Series”) will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000 (RRS), the prescriptions of the R.Y.A., R.O.R.C. I.R.M. and I.R.C., C.Y.C.A. Handicap Rule, RORC/RYA Sportboat Rule, class rules of any class for whom a separate start is given, Clyde Cruising Club Special Regulations, the Notice of Race (all except as modified by these Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions.

1.1.2 The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and her crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the Series. Neither these Sailing Instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The Series organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew, as a result of their taking part in the Series. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the Series.

1.1.3 Except for Classes 0 and 1 and all Sportboat Classes, the Series will be a Category A event with RRS 79 and Appendix G applying only when racing. For Classes 0 and 1 and all Sportboat Classes, the Series will be a Category B event.

1.2 ALTERATIONS TO THE RULES

The following sections of these Sailing Instructions alter provisions of the RRS:

1.2.1 Section 1.6.2 (general recalls) alters RRS 29.3.

1.2.2 Section 1.7 (late starting) alters RRS 42.

1.2.3 Section 1.9 (shortening course, etc.) alters RRS 32.

1.2.4 Section 1.10 replaces the rules of RRS Part 2 with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea for racing during the hours of darkness.

1.2.5 RRS 79 and Appendix G will apply only when racing.

1.2.6 Sections 2.2 and 2.3 (scoring) amend RRS Appendix RYA 1.

1.2.7 Section 5.5.2 (Starting - Lewmar Course) alters RRS 26.1 and 30.

1.3 CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS AND IDENTIFICATION

1.3.1 Yachts shall race in the following classes:

Class 0 I.R.M. Pennant 0

Class 1 I.R.C. 1.040 and above Pennant 1

Class 2 I.R.C. Cruiser Class Pennant 2

Class 3 I.R.C. 0.950-1.039 Pennant 3

Class 4 I.R.C. 0.875-0.949 Pennant 4

Class 5 C.Y.C.A. . 12.50-15.50 mins Pennant 5

Class 6 C.Y.C.A. . 15.75-18.00 mins Pennant 6

Class 7 C.Y.C.A. . 18.25-21.50 mins Pennant 7

Class 8 Restricted Sail Pennant 8

Sigma 33 Class. Flag Y

Sportboat Class Pennant 1

Cork 1720 Pennant 2

National Sonata Class. Flag O

1.3.2 Classes may be altered, amalgamated or divided at the discretion of the Race Committee.

1.3.3 Yachts wishing to race in a class other than that in which they are entered shall so notify the Organisers in writing. No such application may be made after 72 hours before the start of the first race of the Series.

1.3.4 Each yacht shall display on its backstay while racing the BELL LAWRIE SCOTTISH SERIES FLAG supplied by the Organisers and the distinguishing flag of its class. Distinguishing flags shall have a minimum size of 10 x 15 inches (Flags) and 6 x 18 inches (Pennants).

1.4 REGISTRATION

Each yacht shall register with the Race Committee at Tarbert on Friday 26th May 2000. Registration will take place only between 09.00 and 20.00 at the Race Office except that yachts which finish the offshore race after 19.00 may register between 08.00 and 09.30 on Saturday 27th May. On registration, each yacht shall lodge with the Race committee:

- a copy of its rating, handicap or one design certificate (even if a copy has previously been submitted)
- a completed crew list giving the names of all those sailing on the yacht during the Series
- a contact address and telephone number for the duration of the Series

Crew list forms for completion will be sent to entrants with the List of Entries and further copies will be available at registration. Any yacht which does not register with the Race Committee as required by this section will not be accepted as an entry and its result in the offshore race (if any) will be disregarded.

1.5 ALTERATIONS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.5.1 A List of Entries will be sent to each entrant during the week before the start of the series and will incorporate any alterations to the Sailing Instructions made up to the time of printing. Flag L will not be displayed to draw attention to these alterations and it will be the responsibility of competitors to acquaint themselves with them.
- 1.5.2 If it is necessary to make further alterations to the Sailing Instructions, Flag L will be displayed at the Race Office along with particulars of the alterations. The Race Offices are situated at Kip Marina and Royal Ulster Yacht Club (offshore races only) and opposite the Templars' Hall, Tarbert (all other races). If the further alterations affect the offshore race from Gourock, Flag L will also be displayed at Royal Gourock Yacht Club and details of the alterations will normally be announced on VHF Channel M at 1815, 1845 and 1915 and will normally also be available for collection at the identification gate (see Section 3.2).

1.6 RECALLS

- 1.6.1 The Race Committee may announce sail numbers of premature starters on VHF Channel M (157.85 MHz) will be used for all starts at Gourock and Bangor and all Graham Fleet starts at Tarbert. Channel 72 (156.625 MHz) will be used for all Tunnocks Fleet starts at Tarbert. Channel 69 will be used for all Lewmar Fleet starts at Tarbert. Failure to announce sail numbers will not be grounds for redress.
- 1.6.2 Altering RRS 29.3, in the event of a general recall the First Substitute will be lowered one minute before the starting signal for the next scheduled class. No sound signal will be given. The normal starting sequence will not be interrupted by a general recall. The warning signal and preparatory signal for the class which has had a general recall will be displayed together at the starting signal of the last class to start normally. If more than one class is subject to a general recall, the second of these classes shall start five minutes after the first and so on. If a class subject to a general recall is the last or only class to start, the next signals will be the new warning and preparatory signals which will normally be displayed together five minutes after the original starting time. The First Substitute will be lowered one minute before the new warning and preparatory signals. No sound signal will be given.

1.7 LATE STARTING

Altering RRS 42 a yacht arriving late in the vicinity of the starting line may remain under power or tow after her preparatory signal and until (but not after) she starts provided that, after stopping her engine or casting off her tow, she carries out two full 360 turns (720) in the same direction including two tacks and two gybes on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions. Such a yacht shall keep clear of all other yachts until she has completed her turns and has started. No yacht shall start her engine or accept a tow after her preparatory signal.

1.8 COMMITTEE VESSELS AND PROHIBITED AREAS

- 1.8.1 Committee Vessels will display CCC flags of a colour corresponding to the course which they are operating (See Section 5.1).
- 1.8.2 Committee vessels may not be at anchor and may require to manoeuvre without warning. YACHTS SHALL NOT APPROACH WITHIN 20 METRES OF ANY COMMITTEE VESSEL.
- 1.8.3 Yachts shall not pass between any of the three groups of islands north of Portavadie (Eilean Buidhe, Eilean A'Bhuic and Eilean Buidhe) and the east shore of Loch Fyne.
- 1.8.4 Yachts shall not pass within 100 metres of any ferry terminal.

1.9 SHORTENING COURSE ETC.

- 1.9.1 Altering RRS 32 the Race Committee may shorten course or abandon a race for any reason.

1.10 SAILING DURING THE HOURS OF DARKNESS

Between the hours of sunset and sunrise as specified in the sailing instructions for each race, the Rules contained in RRS Part 2 will cease to govern the race which will be continued under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea. An infringement of the IRPCS during the hours of darkness will be considered as an infringement of RRS Part 2.

1.11 FINISHING AND RETIRALS

- 1.11.1 In the offshore races, yachts finishing shall identify themselves to the Race Officials at the Finishing Line, particularly during the hours of darkness, and ensure that the Race Officials have checked them as having finished.
- 1.11.2 In all races, yachts should also check and record their own time as they cross the Finishing Line in case they may not have been seen due to darkness, severe weather or pressure of yachts. When possible, the names of yachts finishing immediately ahead and astern should be noted.
- 1.11.3 Yachts retiring from or not competing in any race shall advise the Race Office at Tarbert as soon as possible. For the Offshore Races see also Sections 3.9 and 4.6.

1.12 PROTESTS AND RULE INFRINGEMENTS

1.12.1 Yachts displaying protest flags shall draw the attention of the Race Officials at the Finishing Line to this display and shall attempt to advise them of the sail number(s) of the yacht(s) concerned. Protests shall be lodged in accordance with RRS 61 and shall be delivered to the Race Officials at the Race Office within two hours after the protesting yacht finished the race concerned. For classes which have sailed two races in the same day, the time limit for lodging protests for either race will be two hours after the protesting yacht finishes the second race. The time and place of any protest hearings will be posted at the Race Office after acceptance of protests. It is the duty of a yacht to find out whether there is a protest against her and to collect her witnesses when appropriate. RRS 63.3 allows the Protest Committee to hear a protest in the absence of a party and the Protest Committee will proceed to hear a protest 30 minutes after its scheduled time whether or not the parties are present. No request under RRS 66 to reopen a hearing may be made after 15.00 on Tuesday 30th May.

1.12.2 The **scoring penalty** RRS 44.3 will apply in the offshore races only for infringement of a rule of RRS Part 2. The penalty will be three places.

1.12.3 The **720 turns penalty** RRS 44.2 will apply in all races except the offshore races for infringements of a rule of RRS Part 2.

1.12.4 In all races, for infringement of Rules other than those of RRS Part 2, whether acknowledged by the yacht or found at a hearing after a protest by another yacht or the Race Committee, a scoring penalty as described in section 1.12.2 will apply except that:

- (1) the penalty to be applied will be at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee.
- (2) there will be no alternative penalty for infringement of RRS 28 and 29.
- (3) the Protest Committee may disqualify a yacht for a serious infringement of the Rules.

1.13 DECLARATIONS

The Race Committee may require all or any competitors to sign a declaration before awarding a prize or points. Notice of this requirement will be displayed at the Race office within 48 hours of the finish of the race and will normally also be intimated to the competitor or competitors concerned.

1.14 NARROW CHANNELS, TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES

Attention is drawn to Rules 9, 10 and 18 of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea. When racing in the circumstances covered by these Rules, any yacht which is unable through lack of wind or any other cause to sail clear of a large power-driven vessel shall start her engine and/or paddle in order to get clear, shall retire and shall notify the Race Committee. In the event of the Race Committee observing that a yacht has apparently obstructed the safe passage of a power-driven vessel in a narrow

channel, the Race Committee may proceed against the yacht in accordance with RRS 60.2. See also Section 3.3.

1.15 USE OF MAIN ENGINE

1.15.1 When an engine is used to enable a yacht to sail clear of a large power-driven vessel (except in the circumstances covered by section 1.14), to recover a man overboard, to render assistance or in any other grave emergency, full details shall be reported to the Race Committee.

1.15.2 An engine may be used for charging batteries, pumping or supplying power for weighing anchor or hauling off but in all such cases the part of the shaft between the gear box and the stern tube shall be held stationary.

1.16 TIME LIMITS

1.16.1 There will be a fixed time limit in each race. If any yacht in a class has finished by the fixed time limit, racing will be extended for all other yachts in that class. The fixed time limit and the length of the extension for each race are set out below. If any yachts are considered by the Race Officer still to be racing at the fixed time limit, two guns will be fired and the class flags of each class eligible to continue racing will be hoisted. If any yachts are considered still to be racing at the end of the extension, two further guns will be fired and all signals will be lowered. Any yachts which have not then finished will be scored DNF.

1.16.2 Offshore Races: fixed time limit – 20.00 on Friday 26th May; extension – 1 hour.

1.16.3 Races at Tarbert: fixed time limit – 4 hours after the last starting signal in each race or 17.00 (15.00 on Tuesday), whichever is earlier; extension 30 minutes.

1.16.4 When no yacht in a class finishes a race (other than an offshore race) by the fixed time limit, the race will be abandoned and a notice will be posted at the Race Office stating the Race Committee's decision on a re-sail, cancellation or otherwise. If, however, one or more yachts in a class have completed one or more rounds, the race will be deemed to have finished at the end of the last round completed by one or more yachts without regard to subsequent events. Yachts will be regarded as completing each round on rounding Mark 1 except at the end of the first leg.

1.17 ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COMPETITORS AT TARBERT

1.17.1 All official notices to competitors will be posted at the Race Office. Whenever possible, the times and venues of protest hearings and other general information will be given on VHF Channel M. Announcements will be made before racing at 09.30 and any other necessary times and after racing at 16.00, 16.30 and half-hourly thereafter until 19.30. Half-hourly announcements after racing will commence before 16.00 if yachts have finished and will continue after 19.30 if protest hearings are pending.

1.17.2 All VHF announcements are only an aid to competitors and are supplementary to any flag signals and/or official notices. Any yacht hearing an announcement is requested to convey it to any other yacht concerned which does not have VHF or is not listening out. Failure to make any announcement will not be a ground for redress.

1.17.3 Committee vessels will not answer requests for information from individual yachts except on matters of safety. RRS 41 may apply

1.18 MINIMUM EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

1.18.1 Yachts in Class 8 and the Sportboat Class shall comply with CCC Special Regulations Category 5.

1.18.2 Yachts in the Cork 1720 Class shall comply with their class rules.

1.18.3 All other yachts shall comply with CCC Special Regulations Category 3. In addition yachts shall carry throughout the Series either a liferaft or liferafts complying with SR 11.41 of sufficient capacity for the number of crew carried in the offshore race, or a dinghy suitable for use as the yacht's tender and able safely to carry that number of crew. A combination

of liferaft(s) and dinghy(s) will be accepted.

1.18.4 No anchor shall be carried on deck projecting forward of the bows.

1.19 CREW LIMITS

1.19.1 All one design classes for which a separate start is given shall comply with the maximum crew numbers in their class rules (1720 Class - crew weight).

1.19.2 The maximum number of crew which may be carried by each yacht in the I.R.C. Classes shall be the maximum crew number printed on the yacht's I.R.C. Certificate PLUS 1 (Class 2 – PLUS 2). These variations apply also to yachts rated as one design yachts racing in the I.R.C. Classes but not to one design yachts racing in classes for which a separate start is given where class rules will apply. There will be no restriction on crew changes between races. Children aged 14 and under will not count towards the maximum number of crew.

1.19.3 Yachts in I.R.M. Class 0 shall comply with the maximum crew weight printed on their rating certificate.

1.19.4 Yachts shall comply with special regulations (e.g. lifejackets and harnesses) according to the actual number of crew carried in each race.

2. POINTS SYSTEM AND PRIZES

2.1 DEFINITIONS

2.1.1 The *place* of a yacht in each race will be her place in the order of finishing in her class corrected for handicaps and penalties (if appropriate).

2.1.2 The *number of entries* will be the number of yachts entered in a class who complete registration (see Section 1.4).

2.2 SCORING

2.2.1 The Series will be scored using Appendix RYA 1.

2.2.2 Points for race ties will not be added and divided.

2.2.3 Each yacht's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races except that if five or more races are completed in a class, for each yacht in that class the worst score of all races will be excluded.

2.2.4 A tie in the total score of two or more yachts will be decided by their relative places in the offshore race or, if the yachts concerned did not enter for the same or any offshore race, the last race in which the tied boats raced and scored differently.

2.3 OFFSHORE RACES

2.3.1 Points for the races from Gourock and Bangor in the I.R.M. and I.R.C. classes will be awarded as described above. In the C.Y.C.A. and Sigma 33 classes, points for these two races will be modified as described in 2.3.2 and 2.3.3.

2.3.2 If there are less than 5 entries in a class in either offshore race the points awarded in that race will be in accordance with section 2.2.1 PLUS 6.

2.3.3 A yacht which does not score finishing points in the race with the smaller number of competing yachts will receive the same points as a yacht of the same status in the other offshore race or points in accordance with Section 2.3.2 whichever is higher.

2.4 RESULTS

Official results will be displayed at the Race Office as soon as possible after each race. As an aid to competitors, the results will carry the letters PRO against a yacht's name if a protest has been intimated by or against that yacht and MSG if there is a message for that yacht or any of its crew. Representatives of any such yachts should call at the Race Office as soon as possible.

2.5 PRIZES

2.5.1 Prizes will be presented in each class to the first three in each race and the first three overall, subject to there being sufficient starters.

2.5.2 The BELL LAWRIE SCOTTISH SERIES TROPHY will be awarded to the yacht which, in the opinion of the Race Committee and the representatives of the sponsors, has given the best performance of all competitors in the Series.

2.5.3 The CRAWFORD McINNES TROPHY will be presented to the youth (under 25) helmsman or crew which, in the opinion of the Race Committee and the representatives of the sponsors, has given the best performance of all eligible competitors in the Series. Competitors may indicate their eligibility for the Youth Trophy when completing their crew list at the Race Office at Tarbert.

2.5.4 The TARBERT SHIELD will be presented to the first yacht to finish the Offshore Races at Tarbert irrespective of class, course or starting point.

2.5.5 The SAIL SCOTLAND TROPHY will be awarded to the yacht normally based outwith Scotland which in the opinion of the Race Committee gives the best performance of all yachts in the Series (other than the winner of the Bell Lawrie Scottish Series Trophy, if appropriate).

3. OFFSHORE RACE – GOUROCK – TARBERT

THURSDAY 25th MAY, 2000

H.W. Greenock 18.12 B.S.T.

Sunset 21.40 B.S.T.

Sunrise 04.54 B.S.T.

3.1 STARTING TIMES

(NOTE CAREFULLY ORDER OF STARTS AND THAT THE CLASS FLAGS OF ALL CLASSES ARE NOT DISPLAYED)

<i>Sigma 33 Class</i>	Warning Signal	18.50 hours	(Flag Y hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	18.55 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.00 hours	(Flag P and Flag Y lowered)
<i>CYCA Classes 5 & 6</i>	Warning Signal	19.00 hours	(Pennant 5 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.05 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.10 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 5 lowered)
<i>IRC Class 4</i>	Warning Signal	19.10 hours	(Pennant 4 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.15 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.20 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 4 lowered)
<i>IRC Classes 2 and 3</i>	Warning Signal	19.20 hours	(Pennant 2 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.25 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.30 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 2 lowered)
<i>IRM Class 0 and IRC Class 1</i>	Warning Signal	19.30 hours	(Pennant 1 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.35 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.40 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 1 lowered)
<i>CYCA Class 7 & National Sonata Class</i>	Warning Signal	19.40 hours	(Pennant 7 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.45 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.50 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 7 lowered)

3.2 IDENTIFICATION

An inflatable racing mark will be moored approximately 100 metres north of the clubhouse of the Royal Gourock Yacht Club. Each yacht shall identify itself to the Race Committee by passing from west to east between this racing mark and the shore at any time after 18.00 hours. When doing so each yacht shall display its portable sail number on the starboard side and/or shall have its mainsail hoisted. Yachts which fail to comply with this section will not be scored as starters.

3.3 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be a line between the orange pole on the east side of the battery at the Royal Gourock Yacht Club and a temporary Racing Mark moored up to 0.5 miles offshore, the mark to be left to starboard. The racing mark referred to in section 3.2 will be an inner distance mark at the start and shall be left to port.

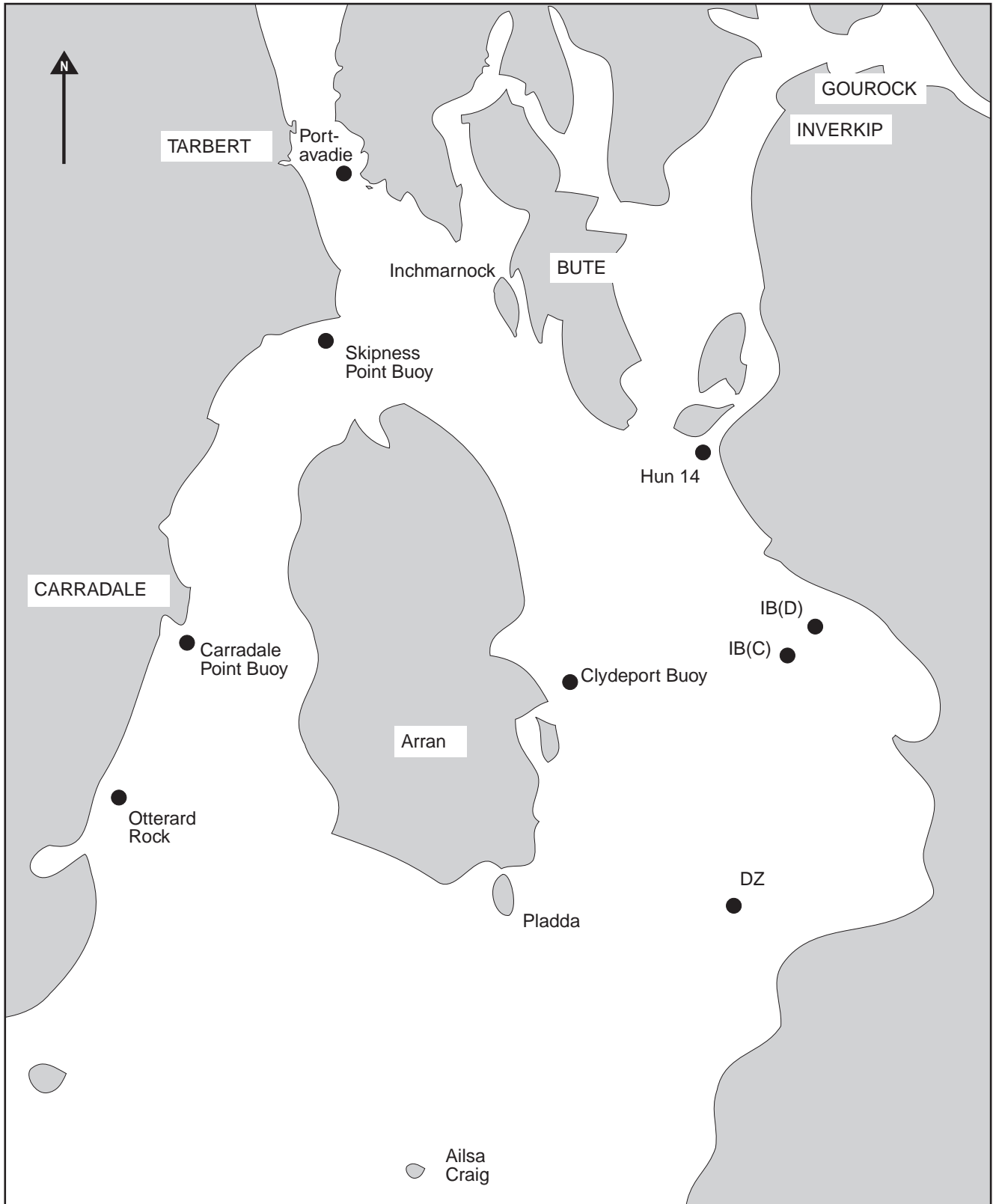
3.4 COURSE SIGNALS

The course to be sailed by each class will be chosen in accordance with the following table and indicated by a course letter displayed at the battery of the Royal Gourock Yacht Club. Courses are described at Section 3.7.

Classes	Course Letter and Courses						
	R	S	T	V	W	X	Z
IRM Class 0 and IRC Class 1	1	3	3	4	5	6	6
IRC Classes 2, 3 and 4, CYCA Classes 5 and 6 and Sigma 33 Class	2	4	5	5	6	6	7
CYCA Class 7 and Sonata Class	6	6	6	6	7	7	7

3.5 COURSE CHART (see over)

3.5 COURSE CHART



COMPULSORY REGISTRATION AT TARBERT - SEE SECTION 1.4

**Offshore Races Prize-giving
Saturday at 19.00 in the Regatta Centre**

3.6 MARKS (All positions given are approximate)

Skipness	Skipness Point buoy, red can,	55	45.5°N / 05	19.6°W
Portavadie	Orange Pillar or inflatable buoy, off Portavadie, Loch Fyne,	55	51.8°N / 05	19.4°W
Carradale Point	Carradale Point buoy, red can,	55	34.4°N / 05	27.1°W
Otterard Rock	Otterard Rock buoy, east cardinal,	55	27.1°N / 05	31.1°W
Clydeport Buoy	Yellow spherical buoy, Fl(4)Y	55	34.5°N / 05	05.5°W
DZ	DZ buoy, yellow spherical,	55	26.2°N / 04	50.2°W
IB(C)	Irvine Bay C buoy, yellow conical,	55	36.6°N / 04	45.0°W
IB(D)	Irvine Bay D buoy, yellow conical,	55	36.9°N / 04	45.2°W
HUN 14	CPA Channel buoy HUN 14, red can,	55	42.5°N / 04	55.5°W

CAUTION: There is shallow water in the vicinity of some of the marks.

3.7 COURSES

- Course 1 Start – Ailsa Craig (S) – Otterard Rock (S) – Carradale Point (S) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (90 miles)
- Course 2 Start – Arran and Pladda (S) – Otterard Rock (S) – Carradale Point (S) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (76 miles)
- Course 3 Start – Ailsa Craig (S) – Arran and Pladda (P) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (85 miles)
- Course 4 Start – DZ(S) – Clydeport Buoy (S) – IB(C)(P) – IB(D)(P) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (80 miles)
- Course 5 Start – DZ(S) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (65 miles)
- Course 6 Start – Clydeport Buoy (S) – HUN 14 (P) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (56 miles)
- Course 7 Start – Bute (S) – Skipness (S) – Inchmarnock (P) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (40 miles)

(P) indicates marks to be rounded to port, (S) marks to be rounded to starboard.

3.8 FINISHING LINE

The Finishing Line will be a line between a caravan on the shore at the entrance to East Loch Tarbert, Loch Fyne, and a racing mark approximately one cable offshore, the mark to be left to starboard. Yachts shall display their portable sail numbers on the port side as they approach and cross the finishing line. A Committee Vessel will normally be on station on the extension of the Finishing Line.

3.9 RETIRALS

The person in charge of any yacht retiring from the Offshore Race shall advise the Race Officials at the finish by telephone to the Race Office on Tarbert (01880) 820020. Alternatively yachts may use V.H.F. radio to call the Race Officials at Tarbert (call sign “Cruising Base”). As this is important for safety reasons, the Race Committee may protest against any yacht which fails to comply with this requirement.

3.10 TIME LIMIT

See Section 1.16.2.

COMPULSORY REGISTRATION AT TARBERT - SEE SECTION 1.4

4. OFFSHORE RACE – BANGOR – TARBERT

THURSDAY 25th MAY, 2000

H.W. Dover 16.18 B.S.T. Sunset 21.40 B.S.T. Sunrise 04.54 B.S.T.

4.1 STARTING TIMES

<i>All CYCA Classes</i>	Warning Signal	18.50 hours	(Pennant 5 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	18.55 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.00 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 5 lowered)
<i>IRC Classes 2, 3 & 4 and Sigma 33 Class</i>	Warning Signal	19.00 hours	(Pennant 3 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.05 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.10 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 3 lowered)
<i>IRM Class 0 and IRC Class 1</i>	Warning Signal	19.10 hours	(Pennant 1 hoisted)
	Preparatory Signal	19.15 hours	(Flag P hoisted)
	Starting Signal	19.20 hours	(Flag P and Pennant 1 lowered)

4.2 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be a line between two temporary racing marks within 1 1/2 miles of Bangor Marina. Yachts shall cross the Starting Line in the direction of a temporary mark (mark X) laid approximately 1 mile to Windward of the Starting Line. Mark X shall be left to Port if a Red Flag is displayed from the Committee Vessel manœuvring on the transit of the Starting Line, or to Starboard if a Green Flag is displayed. Yachts shall then round to Port a temporary turning mark (Mark Y) laid approximately within 1/4 mile of the entrance to Bangor Marina. If it is impossible to lay a starting line as described, announcements will be made at Bangor Marina, Flag L will be displayed at the RUYC battery and the alternative starting line will be used. The alternative starting line is formed by a line between a red buoy with a white S and a white pole with a X topmark in front of the Battery. The buoy is to be left to Port. If the alternative starting line is used, Marks X and Y will not be laid.

4.3 COURSE (All Classes)

The course to be sailed will be indicated by a code flag displayed at the Starting Line.

Course D (Flag D) Start – Mark X (See Section 4.2) – Mark Y (P) – Carradale Point (S) – Portavadie (P) – Finish (76 miles)

Course E (Flag E) Start – Mark X (See Section 4.2) – Mark Y (P) – Arran and Pladda (P) – Finish (81 miles)

4.4 MARKS

Marks are more particularly described in Section 3.6

4.5 FINISHING LINE

Same as under Section 3.8.

4.6 RETIRALS

The person in charge of any yacht retiring from the Offshore Race shall advise the Race Officials at the finish by telephone to the Race Office on Tarbert (01880) 820020. Alternatively yachts may use V.H.F. Channel M to call the Race Officials at Tarbert (call sign “Cruising Base”) or to advise H.M. Coastguard who will pass the necessary details to the Race Officials. See also Section 3.9.

4.7 TIME LIMIT

See Section 1.16.2

COMPULSORY REGISTRATION AT TARBERT - SEE SECTION 1.4

**Offshore Races Prize-giving
Saturday at 19.00 in the Regatta Centre**

5.

RACES AT TARBERT

5.1 PROGRAMME OF RACES

FLEET NAME	C.V. FLAGS	CLASSES				
Graham Technology	Yellow	IRM 0	IRC 1	IRC 2	IRC 3	CYCA 5
Lewmar	Red	Sigma 33	Cork 1720	SBR		
Tunnocks	Green	IRC 4	CYCA 6	CYCA 7	CYCA 8	Sonata

5.2 RACE AREAS

The fleets will normally race within 6 miles of East Loch Tarbert in the following approximate configuration. The position of each starting line will be broadcast on VHF and yachts should look out for the Committee Vessels displaying the Sponsors' banners and coloured flags for their course. Photographs of the Committee Vessels are shown on page 11. Race officers and Committee Vessels will stay with the same Fleets, not the same Race Areas.

	GRAHAM FLEET	LEWMAR FLEET	TUNNOCKS FLEET
Saturday	South	Middle	North
Sunday	South	Middle	North
Monday	Middle	North	South
Tuesday	South	Middle	North

5.3 RACE TYPES

The race type for each race will be indicated by a code flag displayed on the PCV. Announcements will normally also be made on VHF.

RACE TYPE	INDICATED BY FLAG	DETAILED S.I.s AT
Olympic	Flag D	Section 6
Windward / leeward	Flag E	Section 7
Trapezoidal	Flag F	Section 8
Windward / leeward / gate	Flag G	Section 9

5.4 NUMBER OF RACES

- 5.4.1 Each class will normally sail TWO races each day except that the Graham Technology and Tunnocks Fleets will sail only one race on Tuesday and the Lewmar Fleet will sail three races on Sunday. If it is not possible to complete three races on Sunday, three races will be sailed on Monday.
- 5.4.2 If the Race Committee for any Fleet decides for any reason that there will be no further racing that day, Flag A will be displayed at the Finishing Line.

5.5 PRACTICE RACE - FRIDAY 26th MAY - (1720 AND SPORTBOAT CLASSES)

There will be a practice race for the 1720 and Sportboat Classes on Friday 26th May in Loch Fyne immediately north of East Loch Tarbert. The starts will be at 14.00 (1720) and 14.05 (Sportboats) and these Sailing Instructions will apply. The practice race will not count for series points but prizes will be awarded.

**The *BELL LAWRIE* Scottish Series 2000
Committee Boats**

Graham Fleet



Grand Banks



Noah's Ark

Lewmar Fleet



Majala



Berengaria

Tunnock's Fleet

Tigh na mara (photo of sister ship)



Shepherd Lass



5.6 STARTING TIMES

The starting times shown are for the first race each day. The same starting sequences will be used for subsequent races.

5.6.1 GRAHAM FLEET

TIME	WARNING SIGNAL	PREPARATORY SIGNAL	STARTING SIGNAL
10.20	IRM 0	–	–
10.25	–	IRM 0	–
10.30	IRC 1	–	IRM 0
10.35	IRC 2	IRC 1	–
10.40	IRC 3	IRC 2	IRC 1
10.45	CYCA 5	IRC 3	IRC 2
10.50	–	CYCA 5	IRC 3
10.55	–	–	CYCA 5

5.6.2 LEWMAR FLEET

TIME	WARNING SIGNAL	PREPARATORY SIGNAL	STARTING SIGNAL
10.24	Cork 1720	–	–
10.25	–	Cork 1720	–
10.30	Sigma 33	Sigma 33	Cork 1720
10.35	SBR	SBR	Sigma 33
10.40	–	–	SBR

5.6.3 TUNNOCKS FLEET

TIME	WARNING SIGNAL	PREPARATORY SIGNAL	STARTING SIGNAL
10.20	CYCA 8	–	–
10.25	IRC 4	CYCA 8	–
10.30	CYCA 6	IRC 4	CYCA 8
10.35	Sonata	CYCA 6	IRC 4
10.40	CYCA 7	Sonata	CYCA 6
10.45	–	CYCA 7	Sonata
10.50	–	–	CYCA 7

5.7 SEVERE WEATHER

In the event of severe weather the Race Committee may cancel racing for the 1720 and Sportboat classes. This will be indicated by announcements on VHF Channel M & 69 and by Flag N over Pennants 1 and 2 displayed by the Lewmar Committee Vessel in Tarbert. The Sigma 33 Class will join the Graham Course starting 5 minutes after CYCA Class 5.

6. OLYMPIC TRIANGLE COURSE

6.1 MARKS

Marks will normally be as follows:

- Mark 1 Orange cylindrical buoy
- Mark 2 and 3 Yellow spherical buoys
- Starting marks Yellow cylindrical buoys

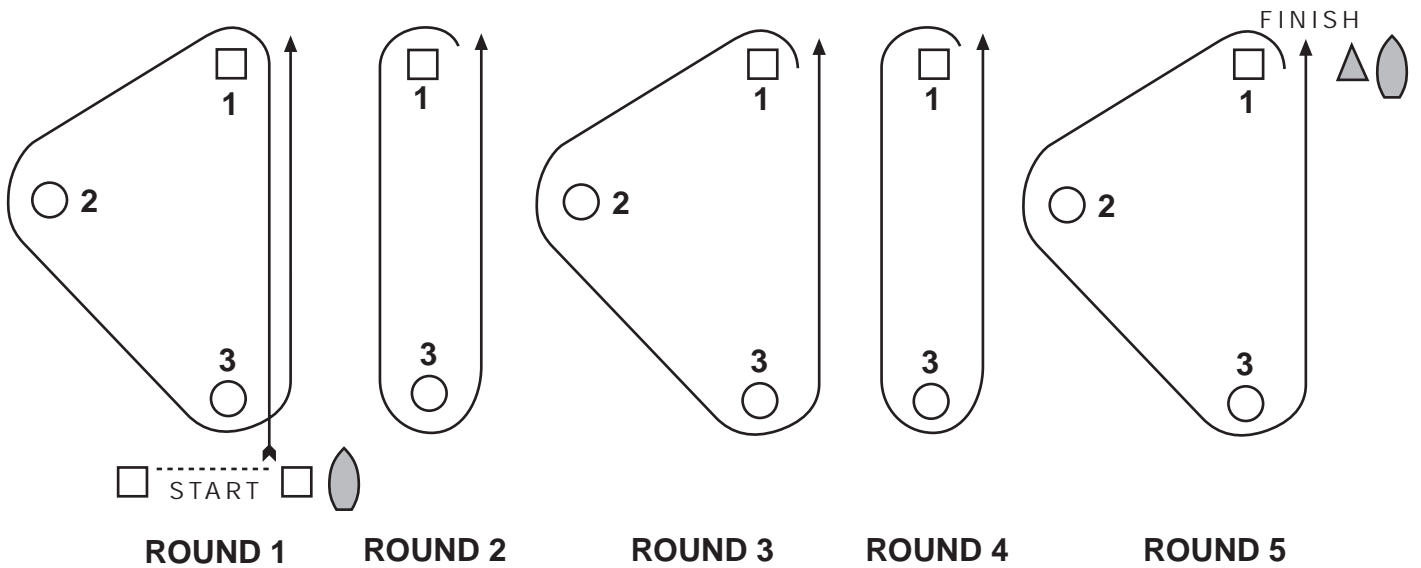
6.2 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between two marks and will be approximately at right angles to the course to the first mark. The Committee Vessel will take up station near one of the starting marks and on the extension of the Starting Line but may not be at anchor.

6.3 COURSE

The diagram shows the course and the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed. Mark 1 may be up to 3 miles from Mark 3. Mark 3 will not be a mark of the course on the first leg.

At least 10 minutes before the first starting signal is made, course boards will be displayed on each side of the Committee Vessel and will carry the first two digits of the approximate magnetic bearing of Mark 1, and a coloured panel to indicate the hand on which all marks are to be rounded, a red panel when all marks are to be rounded to port, a green panel when all marks are to be rounded to starboard. When all marks are to be rounded to starboard the course will be a mirror image of that shown in the diagram.



6.4 SHORTENED COURSE

When the course is shortened under RRS 32 the Finishing Line will be between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and the mark at which the course is shortened, which will rank as the finishing mark. An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the finishing line as a distance mark. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

6.5 FINISHING LINE

A line between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and Mark 1 (or any new mark substituted for it in accordance with RRS 33). An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the Finishing Line as a distance mark and shall be passed on the opposite hand to Mark 1. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

Daily Prize-giving, Saturday - Monday at 19.00 in the Regatta Centre

Series Prize-giving, Tuesday at 15.30 in the Regatta Centre

7. WINDWARD / LEEWARD COURSE

7.1 MARKS

Marks will normally be as follows:

- Mark 1 Orange cylindrical buoy
- Mark 2 Black spherical buoy
- Mark 3 Yellow spherical buoy
- Starting marks Yellow cylindrical buoys

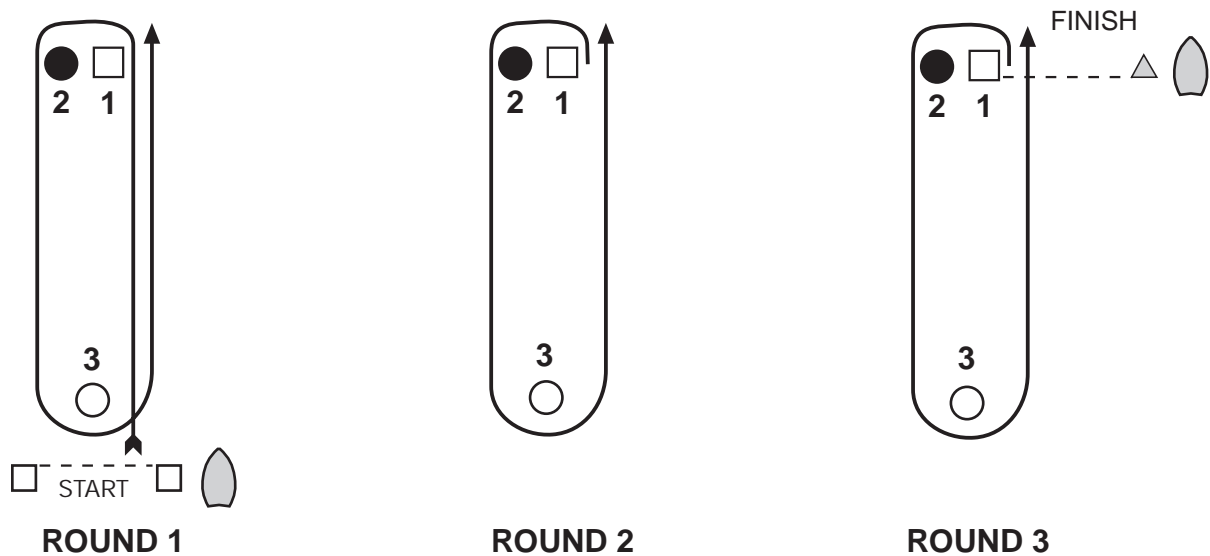
7.2 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between two marks and will be approximately at right angles to the course to the first mark. The Committee Vessel will take up station near one of the starting marks and on the extension of the Starting Line but may not be at anchor.

7.3 COURSE

The diagram shows the course and the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed. Mark 1 may be up to 3 miles from Mark 3. Mark 2 will be approximately 150 metres from Mark 1. Marks 1, 2 and 3 shall be left to port. Mark 3 will not be a mark of the course on the first leg.

At least 10 minutes before the first starting signal is made, course boards will be displayed on each side of the Principal Committee Vessel and will carry the first two digits of the approximate magnetic bearing of Mark 1.



7.4 SHORTENED COURSE

When the course is shortened under RRS 32 the Finishing Line will be between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and the mark at which the course is shortened, which will rank as the finishing mark. An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the Finishing Line as a distance mark. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

7.5 FINISHING LINE

A line between mainmast of a Committee Vessel and Mark 1 (or any new mark substituted for it in accordance with RRS 33). An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the finishing line as a distance mark and shall be left to Starboard. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

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8. TRAPEZOIDAL COURSE

8.1 MARKS

Marks will normally be as follows:

Mark 1	Orange cylindrical buoy
Mark 2 and 4	Yellow spherical buoys
Mark 3	Black spherical buoy
Starting marks	Yellow cylindrical buoys

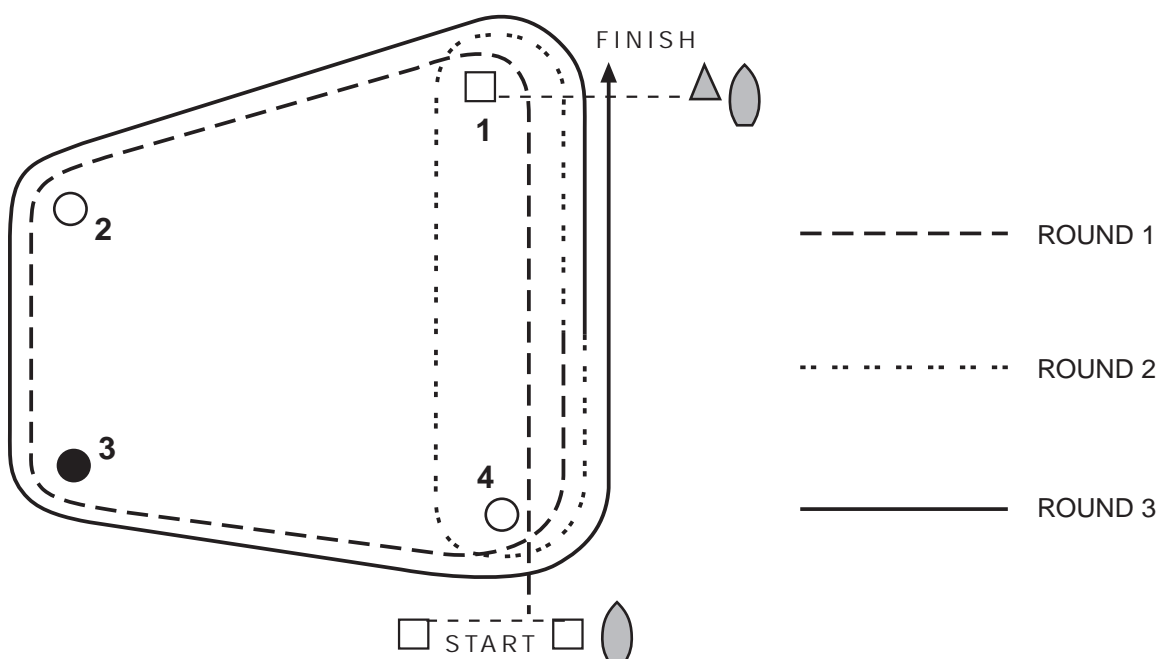
8.2 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between two marks and will be approximately at right angles to the course to the first mark. The Committee Vessel will take up station near one of the starting marks and on the extension of the Starting Line but may not be at anchor.

8.3 COURSE

The diagram below shows the course and the order in which the marks are to be rounded or passed. Mark 1 may be up to 3 miles from Mark 4. Mark 4 will not be a mark of the course on the first leg.

At least 10 minutes before the first starting signal is made, course boards will be displayed on each side of the Committee Vessel and will carry the first two digits of the approximate magnetic bearing of Mark 1, and a coloured panel to indicate the hand on which all marks are to be rounded, a red panel when all marks are to be rounded to port, a green panel when all marks are to be rounded to starboard. When all marks are to be rounded to starboard the course will be a mirror image of that shown in the diagram.



8.4 SHORTENED COURSE

When the course is shortened under RRS 32 the Finishing Line will be between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and the mark at which the course is shortened, which will rank as the finishing mark. An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the finishing line as a distance mark. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

8.5 FINISHING LINE

A line between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and Mark 1 (or any new mark substituted for it in accordance with RRS 33). An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the Finishing Line as a distance mark and shall be passed on the opposite hand to Mark 1. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

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9. WINDWARD / LEEWARD / GATE COURSE

9.1 MARKS

Marks will normally be as follows:

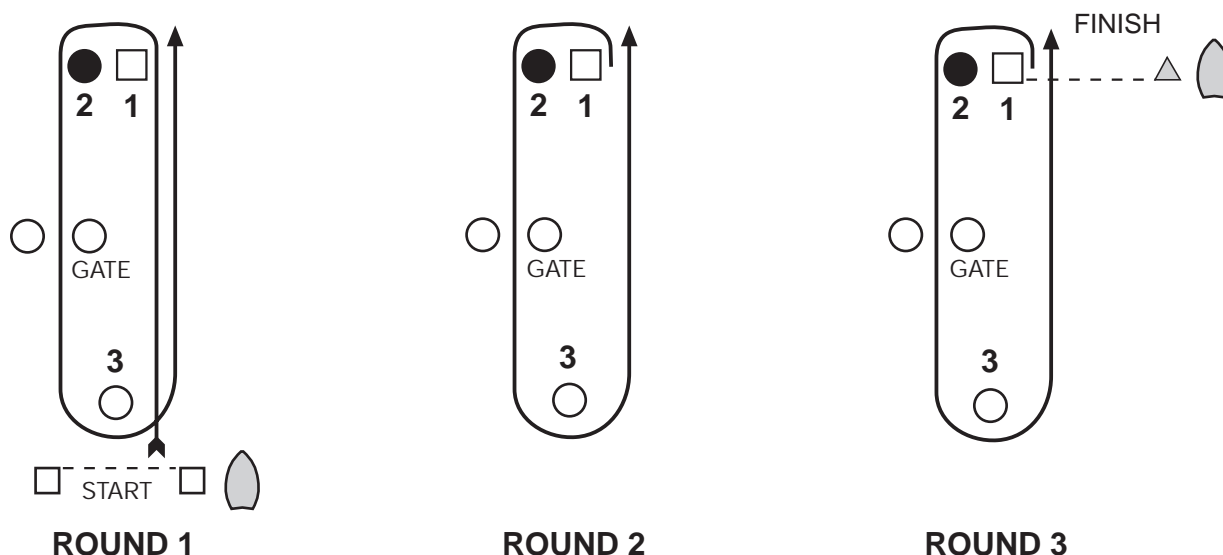
Mark 1	Orange cylindrical buoy
Mark 2	Black spherical buoy
Mark 3	Yellow spherical buoy
Gate marks	Yellow spherical buoys
Starting marks	Yellow cylindrical buoys

9.2 STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between two marks and will be approximately at right angles to the course to the first mark. The Committee Vessel will take up station near one of the starting marks and on the extension of the Starting Line but may not be at anchor.

9.3 COURSE

The diagram below shows the course and the order in which the marks are to be rounded or passed. Mark 1 will be up to 2 miles from the Starting Line. Mark 2 will be approximately 150 metres from Mark 1. The Gate Marks will be approximately 50 metres apart and about midway between Marks 2 and 3. Marks 1, 2 and 3 shall be left to port. Boats shall pass between the Gate Marks on each leg from Mark 2 to Mark 3.



9.4 SHORTENED COURSE

When the course is shortened under RRS 32 the Finishing Line will be between the mainmast of a Committee Vessel and the mark at which the course is shortened, which will rank as the finishing mark. An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the finishing line as a distance mark. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

9.5 FINISHING LINE

A line between mainmast of a Committee Vessel and Mark 1 (or any new mark substituted for it in accordance with RRS 33). An inflatable buoy may be moored on or near the finishing line as a distance mark and shall be left to Starboard. No yacht shall pass between the distance mark and the Committee Vessel before or after finishing.

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List of Events

FRIDAY

5.00 – 6.00 pm	SAND	Playing on the Quay
6.00 – 8.00 pm	60'S & 70'S MUSIC	Marquee
6.00 – 8.00 pm	GET YOUR KIT 'ON' 2000 COMPETITION	RNLI Stand
9.30 pm	SAND	Marquee

**** Early Morning Alarm Call each day by the Lone Piper ****

SATURDAY

10.00 – 11.00 pm	SEARCH & RESCUE SQUADRON A Search & Rescue exercise in conjunction with RNLI	Harbour
3.30 – 4.30	CAMPBELTOWN BRASS BAND	On the Quay
5.00 – 6.00 pm	DAIMH	On the Quay
6.00 – 8.00 pm	GET YOUR KIT 'ON' 2000 COMPETITION	RNLI Stand
6.30 – 7.30 pm	CAMPBELTOWN BRASS BAND	On the Quay
7.00 pm	PRIZE GIVING	Marquee
8.00 – 12.00 pm	SCOTTISH EVENING	Village Hall
8.00 – 9.00 pm	CAMPBELTOWN PIPE BAND	Car Park - Pontoons - Main Street
9.30 pm	DAIMH	Marquee

SUNDAY

2.00 – 4.00 pm	FACE PAINTING	On the Quay (Marquee if wet)
3.30 pm	MID ARGYLL PIPE BAND	Throughout Village
4.00 – 5.30	CHILDREN'S DISCO	Marquee
4.30 pm	AEROBATICS DISPLAY	
7.00 pm	PRIZE GIVING	Marquee
5.00 – 6.00 pm	KEEP 'ER LIT	On the Quay
6.00 – 8.00 pm	GET YOUR KIT 'ON' 2000 COMPETITION	RNLI Stand
9.30 pm	'FOAM' PARTY featuring KEEP 'ER LIT	Marquee

MONDAY

5.00 – 7.00 pm	SURF SIMULATOR Prize for crew who stay on longest!	Marquee
6.00 – 8.00 pm	GET YOUR KIT 'ON' 2000 COMPETITION	RNLI Stand
7.00 pm	PRIZE GIVING	Marquee
9.30 pm	PARTNERSHIP	Marquee

TUESDAY

3.30 pm	PRIZE GIVING FLY PAST BY THE TORNADOS	Marquee
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Clyde 2 Radio will be available for yacht requests and will be used as the public address system.

ALL TIMES ABOVE ARE APPROXIMATE AND EVENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Outlets include:

Ocean World, RNLI, Anne Williams Embroidery, Largs Yacht Chandlers, Quba Clothing,
Hebridean Whisky Liqueur, Red Bull.