

Halfway Up the Creek Race 2023 - Supplementary SIs - CYC sailors

1.0 Rules

These Instructions are a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with the CYC Club Racing Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions 2023. Where the Club Racing Sailing Instructions and this supplement conflict, this supplement takes precedence. The race will be run jointly between CYC & DQSC, but finishes will be separate and results will be collated separately for each club.

1.1 Eligibility The Half Way up the Creek race is only open to dinghy classes with a current 2023 RYA Portsmouth Yardstick not greater than 1200. Boats not listed in the current PY schedule may be accepted and allocated a number at the Race Committee's discretion. This must be organised in advance with the Race Officer.

2.0 Schedule of Racing

2.1 The Halfway up the Creek Race will be held on Saturday 19th August 2023 – HW* 14.17 (4.6m).

2.2 Save as provided in 2.3, 5.4 and 5.5 below competitors not wishing to participate in a joint start may start at any time between **12.30 and 13.30**

2.3 For competitors wishing to participate in a joint start there will be a joint start scheduled at 12.45 with a “3, 2, 1, Go” start sequence. If an Answering Pennant (postponement) is displayed this will be removed at 4 minutes before the joint start.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	means
3	F Flag	One	Warning signal
2	P Flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One	One minute
0	F Flag removed	One	Starting signal

*Chichester Harbour Entrance

3.0 Fleet Designation

The Halfway Up the Creek is raced as a General Handicap race. The non joint start Fleet flag will be Naval Numeral 0. The joint start Fleet flag will be international code flag F.

4.0 Course

4.1 The course will start from the CYC Club start line.

4.2 The following marks must be rounded to starboard and may be rounded in any order: **Hook and Bosham Quay**.

5.0 Starting Procedure

5.1 All CYC competitors must enter and **Sign On** for the race using the current process defined by the CYC NoR & SIs.

5.2 CYC will fly the non joint fleet Start Flag (Naval Numeral 0 see 3.0) from 12.25 until all competitors have started. The non joint start fleet Start Flag will be removed by 13.30. To ensure their start time is recorded competitors should inform the Race Officer of their intention to start shortly before proceeding to the line. Competitors are advised to record their start time.

5.3 Non joint start Fleet boats will be timed from their first crossing of the CYC start line from east to west – there are no restarts for the non joint start fleet The Race Officer will make one sound signal when a non joint start fleet boat starts.

5.4 Any boat starting during the joint start fleet start sequence as set out in 2.3 before the starting signal will be deemed to be on course side and will be required to go back behind the start line in the normal way.

5.5 Any boat starting within 1 minute after the joint start fleet Start will be deemed to have started at the time of the joint start fleet Start

5.6 The CYC Start line is the Club Line extended as far as CYC Perch.

6.0 CYC Finish

The Finish line is the CYC Club Line extended to Perch passed from west to east or east to west.

All CYC competitors must sign off after the race on the sheets located in the Sloop within 30 minutes of finishing.

7.0 Time Limit

The time limit is 5 hours. (Note sunset is 20.16)

8.0 Special Notes.

1. CYC will endeavour to provide patrol boat cover jointly with DQSC, but this is NOT guaranteed.
2. This race may take over four hours to complete and competitors should provision accordingly.
3. Competitors are advised to make use of the RYA Safetrx app.
4. CYC competitors are advised to contact CYC if they are still racing after 17.00.
5. CYC competitors ARE REQUIRED to contact CYC /Race Officer if they are unable, or do not intend, to return to the Club. To contact CYC telephone 01243 512918 or VHF channel 37A. CYC Race Officer Mobile is [07776 252157](tel:07776252157) (Martin Orton) and [07818 033836](tel:07818033836) (Cindy Orton) *for this race only*