**Mat Dear Race - Thames Estuary Yacht Club**

***Saturday 17th June Start time 12.00***

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The race is being organised by Thames Estuary Yacht Club, and based at the club jetty - West of Genting Club Casino, Western Esplanade, Westcliff-on-Sea SS0 7QB.

**Registration**

Entries shall be made on the Event Entry Form obtained from the TEYC

**Briefing**

The Briefing will be at 10:00 on the day in the Clubhouse

**Racing Format**

Racing will be in the form of the TEYC’s average lap format which will see boats with a PY under 1000 doing 4 laps, boats with a PY between 1000 & 1200 doing 3 laps and boats with a PY above 1200 doing 2 laps

**Start**

The start of the race will be 12:00hrs, following the starting process below. All light signals are displayed from the race office situated on the centre of the mezzanine floor of the club house, and each change is accompanied by a sound signal.

11:55 5 minute warning signal Red light

11:56 4 minute preparatory signal Red and Green lights

11:59 1 minute signal Green light

12:00 START All lights out

**Course**

The finalised course will be given at the race briefing. The start and finish line is between the Centre support column of the club house and the Wooden Post directly South of the club house.

The course will be round inflatable orange marks positioned on the day. If boats start towards the West, all marks are to be rounded to Port. If boats start towards the East, all marks are to be rounded to Starboard. All boats must cross the Start/Finish line every lap.

**Protests**

Protests must be lodged with the race officer within 1 hour of the final boat finishing the race. The decision of the Race Officer/Sailing Secretary is final and no correspondence will be entered into.