**MOA Solent Branch - Nab Tower Race**

Saturday 15th May 2021

1. **Overview**

The race weekend will be based in Haslar Marina 14th – 16th May 2021. Registered competitors may muster at the start line from any location.

The event will be run according to the QHM guidance notes and risk assessment for events in the Dockyard Port of Portsmouth

All competitors must complete and return the conditions of entry declaration outlined in section 4 to solentrace@moodyowners.org

**2. Race Briefing**

* 1. All race communication will be conducted on VHF Ch 77.
	2. The event will not proceed if the weather forecast exceeds wind strength Force 6
	or the wave height exceeds 2.0m
	3. Any additional information will be communicated by the MOA Officer of the Day (OOD) within 30 minutes of the planned the start time on VHF Ch 77.
	4. Competitors should notify any safety concerns / hazards identified during the event to MOA OOD on Ch 77.
	5. If you intend to use a Spinnaker, Code Zero or Cruising Chute, you must inform the OOD no later than 10 minutes before the designated start time.

**3. Race Information**

3.1 Start Time: The planned start time is 09:30 hrs BST. Any alteration, for example due to ship movements will be advised by the OOD on Channel 77.

3.2.1 Start Line: Between RNC & RAYC and 5J Dry Stack Yellow racing buoys.

Dry Stack (5J) to Port N 50 46.61 and W 01 07.29

RNC & RAYC (5G) to Starboard N 50 46.42 and W 01 07.90

3.2.2 Start Sequence:The start boat will be ‘Libra of Lorne’ –Ian and Sue Fellowes-Freeman

**5** minute signal – **3** short blasts on the fog horn

**1** minute signal – **2** short blasts on the fog horn

**Start** – **1** long blast on the fog horn

3.3 Middle Mark:Nab Tower” – leave to port

Nab Tower(6R) N 50 40 08 and W00 57 15

3.3Finish Line: Between “No Mans Land Fort” and “Horse Sands Fort”

No Mans Land Fort (6A) N 50 44.40 and W 01 05.70

Horse Sands Fort (6B) N 50 45.01 and W01 04.34

* 1. Please record your finish time and category (racing or cruising).
	Send to Ian Bevington at solentrace@moodyowners.org within 2 weeks.
1. **Declaration**

The MOA Solent Branch Nab Tower Race is open to Moody Owners Association members with Yachts between 27 and 47 feet long.

1. All skippers are reminded that they are responsible for the conduct of their vessel, including the decision to put to sea and to participate in the race, and most importantly to ensure their vessel is seaworthy and prepared for the passage.
2. Competitors should make themselves aware of the MOA racing rules and guidance.
<https://moodyowners.org/branches/solent-branch-racing-rules/>
3. Competitors must comply with all harbour bye laws and international regulations for
the prevention of collisions at sea.
4. Competitors must make themselves aware of shipping movements on the day of the event. <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/qhm/portsmouth/shipping-movements>
5. Competitors must make themselves aware of local notices, nav warnings and directions on the day of the event. <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/qhm/portsmouth/local-notices>
6. Competitors must make themselves aware of tidal predictions and the weather forecast for the day of the event.
7. All vessels must be insured for association racing within the area of the event.

I agree to the conditions of entry outlined above

Boat name …………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Boat manufacturer / model …………………………………………………………………………………

Keel type ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Skipper name ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Mobile phone………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Signed ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….