



**Fairlie Yacht Club Autumn Points Series 2016**  
**25<sup>th</sup> September to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016**  
**Organising Authority – Fairlie Yacht Club**  
**To be held at Kip Marina and Largs Yacht Haven**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

- 1.1. The organising authority is Fairlie Yacht Club (FYC)

**2. ENTRIES**

- 2.1. The FYC 2016 Autumn Points Series is open to all keelboats owned by competitors who are members of an RYA affiliated yacht or sailing club.

**3. RULES**

- 3.1. The Regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS).

**4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 4.1. Notices to competitors shall be posted on a notice board situated in the reception area of Kip Marina for races between 25<sup>th</sup> September and 09<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and Largs Yacht Haven for races held between 16<sup>th</sup> October and 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

**5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1. Any change(s) to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than two hours before the first start on the day it shall take effect. If it is necessary to make a late change in the sailing instructions, Flag L shall be displayed from the committee vessel as per 4.1. In each case it shall be the responsibility of the helm to acquaint themselves with the change

**6. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 6.1. Dates of racing:

Sunday	25th September 2016	Class 1, 2, 3 & Etchells OD
Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2016	Class 1, 2, 3 & Etchells OD
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Class 1, 2, 3 & Etchells OD
Sunday	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Class 1, 2, 3
Sunday	23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2016	Class 1, 2, 3
Sunday	30 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Class 1, 2, 3

6.2. **Number of Races.** There shall be a maximum of two races per day for each class.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS AND SCHEDULED START TIMES

Class	Handicap	Flag/Signal	First start of day
Etchells (Kip only)	One Design	E	10:25
Class 1	All IRC	Num Pennant 1	10:30
Class 2	All CYCA	Num Pennant 2	10:35
Class 3* Restricted Sail	All CYCA	Num Pennant 3	10:40

7.1. **Time signal.** A sound signal shall be made and an orange flag shall be displayed at five minutes before the first warning signal of a race start sequence. Competitors should note that the Etchells class will be the first start at Kip, with a time signal of 10:15, and the first time signal at Largs will be five minutes later at 10:20.

7.2. **Sequence.** The race start sequence shall be a sound signal and appropriate flag as detailed below:

7.2.1.	Warning signal	5 minutes before the start	Class pennant hoisted
7.2.2.	Preparatory signal	4 minutes before the start	Papa code flag hoisted
7.2.3.	1-minute signal	1 minute before the start	Papa code flag lowered
7.2.4.	Start signal	At start	Class pennant lowered

7.3. **\*Restricted Sail.** Spinnakers shall not be flown, and only one headsail may be flown at any one time except for cutter rigged (or similar) yachts that have two (or more) headsails recorded on their CYCA rating certificate that may fly the recorded number of headsails simultaneously.

7.4. **Class Pennants.** Excepting Etchells, competitors shall fly their class flag in a prominent position from their backstay.

7.5. **Class Splits.** The organisers may combine, divide, remove, or add classes depending on the number of entries, please check the classes prior to taking part in the event.

## 8. RACING AREAS

8.1. For all racing on 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the race area shall be the Firth of Clyde adjacent to Kip Marina.

8.2. For all racing on 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the race area shall be the Largs Channel adjacent to Largs Yacht Haven.

## 9. THE COURSES AND MARKS

9.1. Kip. It is intended to set windward/leeward type courses whenever possible from the course list and chart outlined in Appendix 1. The course letter will be displayed on the Committee Vessel.

9.2. Largs. It is intended to set a course from the course list and chart outlined in Appendix 2. The course letter and wind strength letter will be displayed on the Committee Vessel.

## 10. THE START

10.1. The start line at Kip will be between the red pin mark and a Committee Vessel moored adjacent.

10.2. At Largs, the start line will be in accordance with the instructions in Appendix 2.

10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.4. A countdown to starting signals and additional race information may be broadcast on Ch 72 and OCS infringements may be broadcast by VHF.

10.5. The normal starting sequence shall not be interrupted by a general recall. The warning signal for the class which has had a general recall shall be five minutes before its starting signal and shall normally be displayed at the starting signal of the last class to start correctly in the schedule. 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 general recall is the last or only class to start, the next signal shall be the new warning signal which shall normally be displayed five minutes after the original starting time.

## **11. SHORTENED COURSE**

11.1. Shortly before the finish, flag S shall be displayed from the committee vessel along with two sound signals. Boats shall finish the race when they pass through the finish line at the end of their current lap or at a mark of the course if a committee vessel stationed there is flying flag S. For windward/leeward courses, and at the discretion of the Race Committee, finishing positions may take account of the number of laps actually sailed, and results shall be calculated on an 'average lap time' basis.

11.2. Yachts must cross the shortened course finish line from the direction of the previous mark. There will be no hook finishes.

11.3. If conditions dictate, the race committee may, at their discretion, take the results of a race from competitor's times recorded for a previous round. Average lap scoring may be used when a windward/leeward course is set.

## **12. FINISHING LINE**

12.1. The finishing line at Kip will be between the Red pin mark and the Committee Vessel.

12.2. The finishing line at Largs will be as detailed in the instructions in Appendix 2.

## **13. TIME LIMITS**

13.1. Time limits and target times are as follows:

<b>Time Limit</b>	<b>First Mark Time Limit</b>	<b>Target Time</b>
120 minutes	25 minutes	75 minutes

13.2. If no boat has passed the first mark within the first mark time limit the race will be abandoned.

13.3. If no boat within a class finishes within the time limit, the times of the previous round completed by the leading boat shall be used to calculate results. Subsequent retirements or rule infringements shall be disregarded.

## **14. RETIRALS**

14.1. Any boat leaving the course area shall notify the Race Committee by VHF.

## **15. PROTESTS**

15.1. The Exoneration Penalty [and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration] of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

15.2. Competitors should inform the Race Committee of any protests immediately after finishing.

15.3. Protest forms are available online. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

15.4. For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat in that class has finished the last race of the day.

15.5. Notices shall be posted within 30 minutes of the expiry of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings shall be held in a jury room at Kip or Largs.

15.6. Notices of protests by the race committee shall be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

15.7. Protests shall be heard as soon as possible, in approximately the order of receipt. It is the responsibility of the Protestor, Protestee and Witnesses to make themselves available for the hearing.

15.8. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

15.8.1. Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

15.8.2. No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day;

15.8.3. This changes RRS 66.

## 16. SCORING

16.1. In alteration to RRS A2, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores with exclusions as follows:

Races sailed	1 to 4	5 to 6	7 to 8	9 to 10	11 to 12
Results excludable:	0	1	2	3	4

## 17. PRIZES

17.1. The prize giving will take place in Largs Sailing Club on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016, as soon as possible after completion of racing.

17.2. Prizes for each class will be;

17.2.1. One prize if two or more yachts start;

17.2.2. Two prizes if five or more yachts start;

17.2.3. Three prizes if nine or more yachts start;

17.2.4. Four prizes if thirteen or more yachts start, and so on.

17.3. For classes with a single competitor, a prize may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

## 18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1. It is recommended that keelboats participating in the series comply with Category 4 of the current ISAF Offshore Special Regulations.

## 19. CLYDEPORT OPERATIONS LIMITED RESTRICTIONS

19.1. NARROW CHANNELS. Attention is drawn to the International Regulations for the prevention of Collisions at sea, 1972. Particular notice shall be taken of Rule 9b which states that "a vessel of less than 20m in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway". Whilst racing or on a passage in the Firth of Clyde north of Cumbrae

Head yachts shall regard any such recommended channels as a "Narrow Channel" within the meaning of the IRPCS 9b.

19.2. Furthermore Clydeport Operations Limited has decreed that any waters in the Firth of Clyde where vessels by virtue of their size, draught, speed or proximity to land, hazards and other vessels Are unable to manoeuvre freely shall be regarded as a "Narrow Channel". Whilst racing any yacht which is unable for reasons of lack of wind or other cause, to sail clear of a large power driven vessel shall start her engine and/or paddle in order to clear and thereafter shall report full details to the Race Committee.

19.3. Competitors are reminded of the Clydeport Operations Limited Byelaw which prohibits yachts and other craft from manoeuvring within 100m of any ferry terminal. Particular regard should be paid to this when in the vicinity of the Caledonian MacBrayne facilities at Largs and Cumbrae.

## **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority shall not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **21. INSURANCE**

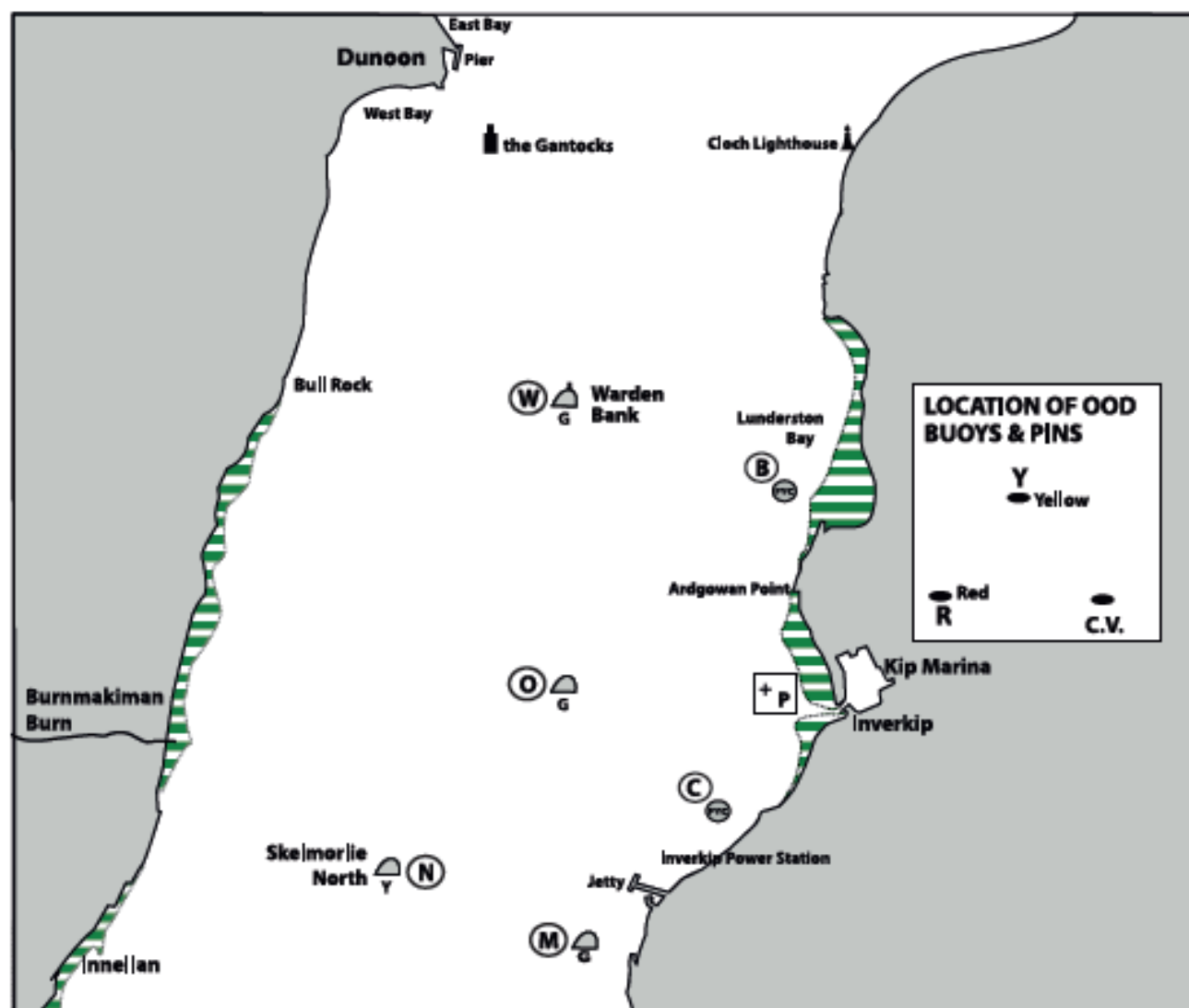
21.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 000 000 per event or the equivalent.

## Courses for Local Races at Kip

2016

Wind Sector	Wind Strength	Start Line	Round	Course	Dist	Finish Line	<b>NOTES:</b>
000-045 <b>A</b>	light	c.v. & R	1 2 3 4	BOCR BOCR BCR BOCR	2.9 2.9 2.0 2.9	c.v. & R	
090-135 <b>B</b>	heavy	C.V. & r	1 2 3 4	cwbr wr cwbr wbr	4.3 2.6 4.3 3.2	C.V. & r	Start line will be between the CV Buoy, and one of two Pin Marks.- See Pin Mark Location Diagram and Course Chart.
180-225 <b>C</b>	light	C.V. & r	1 2 3 4	cobr cbr cobr cbr	2.7 2.0 2.7 2.0	C.V. & r	
180-225 <b>D</b>	heavy	C.V. & r	1 2 3 4	mobr mbr mobr mbr	3.6 3.0 3.6 3.0	C.V. & r	Finish line will be between the CV Buoy, and the RED Pin Mark.
200-220 <b>E</b>	light W-L	C.V. & r	1 2 3 4	MR MR MR MR	2.4 2.4 2.4 2.4	c.v. & R	Course Marks in CAPITALS are to be left to Port otherwise Marks are to be left to Starboard. This nomenclature has also been used for the start and finish lines.
220-240 <b>F</b>	light W-L	C.V. & y	1 2 3 4	NR NR NR NR	2.4 2.4 2.4 2.4	c.v. & R	
0225-270 <b>G</b>	light	C.V. & y	1 2 3 4	NCR NR NCR NR	2.7 2.4 2.7 2.4	c.v. & R	The CV position remains the same throughout the race, unless the course is shortened at a mark of the course.
225-270 <b>H</b>	heavy	C.V. & y	1 2 3 4	nobr nbr nobr nbr	3.5 3.3 3.5 3.3	C.V. & r	Many courses show a change of PIN mark for the finish. This is the Pin used for rounding, after the start.
270-315 <b>I</b>	light	C.V. & y	1 2 3 4	OCR OR OCR OR	2.1 1.4 2.1 1.4	c.v. & R	
270-315 <b>J</b>	heavy	C.V. & y	1 2 3 4	OMR OR OCR OR	4.1 3.2 2.1 1.4	c.v. & R	Courses designated "W-L" are windward-leeward courses.
320-340 <b>K</b>	light W-L	c.v. & R	1 2 3 4	wr wr wr wr	2.6 2.6 2.6 2.6	C.V. & r	
315-360 <b>L</b>	light	c.v. & R	1 2 3 4	wbr wr wbr wr	2.9 2.6 2.9 2.6	C.V. & r	<b>CONDITIONS:</b> The Clubs Standing Orders and Sailing Instructions will apply.
315-360 <b>M</b>	heavy	c.v. & R	1 2 3 4	WOCR WOR WOCR WOR	4.3 3.2 4.3 3.2	c.v. & R	

Yachts should stay clear of the line during earlier class starts.



Skippers are reminded of SHALLOW WATER near Marks 'B' and 'C'  
 N.B. Vessels over 20 metres have right of way in a buoyed Channel.

**R** - Red Start/Finish Pin  
**Y** - Yellow Start/Finish Pin

B - F.Y.C. Racing Mark	(Yellow)
C - F.Y.C. Racing Mark	(Yellow)
M - CPA Buoy 'M'	(Green)
N - CPA Buoy 'N'	Skelmorlie North (Yellow)
O - CPA Buoy 'O'	(Green)
W - CPA Buoy	Warden Bank (Green)

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(set course options)

## Courses for Local Races at Fairlie

2016

Course WIND DIR.	CV @ Start	PIN mark	R N D	Marks	Dist NM	CV @ Finish
<b>A</b> (SOUTH)	East	k	1 2 3 4	p f c k q f c k q c k c k	4.5 3.7 2.9 1.4	East
<b>B</b> (S.WEST)	South	k	1 2 3 4	b t c k b f c k b c k c k	3.8 3.2 2.9 1.4	East
<b>C</b> (WEST)	South	n	1 2 3 4	F q p b K F q b K F q b K b K	4.5 3.7 3.7 1.9	South
<b>D</b> (N.WEST)	North	K	1 2 3 4	T P Q K T Q K T F K Q K	4.8 3.8 3.3 1.6	East
<b>E</b> (NORTH)	East	K	1 2 3 4	C B P K C B Q K C Q K Q K	4.2 3.4 2.9 1.6	East
<b>F</b> (N.EAST)	South	n	1 2 3 4	B Q K B K B Q K B K B Q K B K	4.2 4.2 2.5 1.8	South
<b>G</b> (EAST)	South	n	1 2 3 4	F B K B K F B K B K F B K B K	4.2 4.2 2.4 1.8	South
<b>H</b> (S.EAST)	East	k	1 2 3 4	p t k q t k q t k t k	4.7 4.0 4.0 1.4	North
Course WIND DIR.	CV @ Start	PIN mark	R N D	Marks	Dist NM	

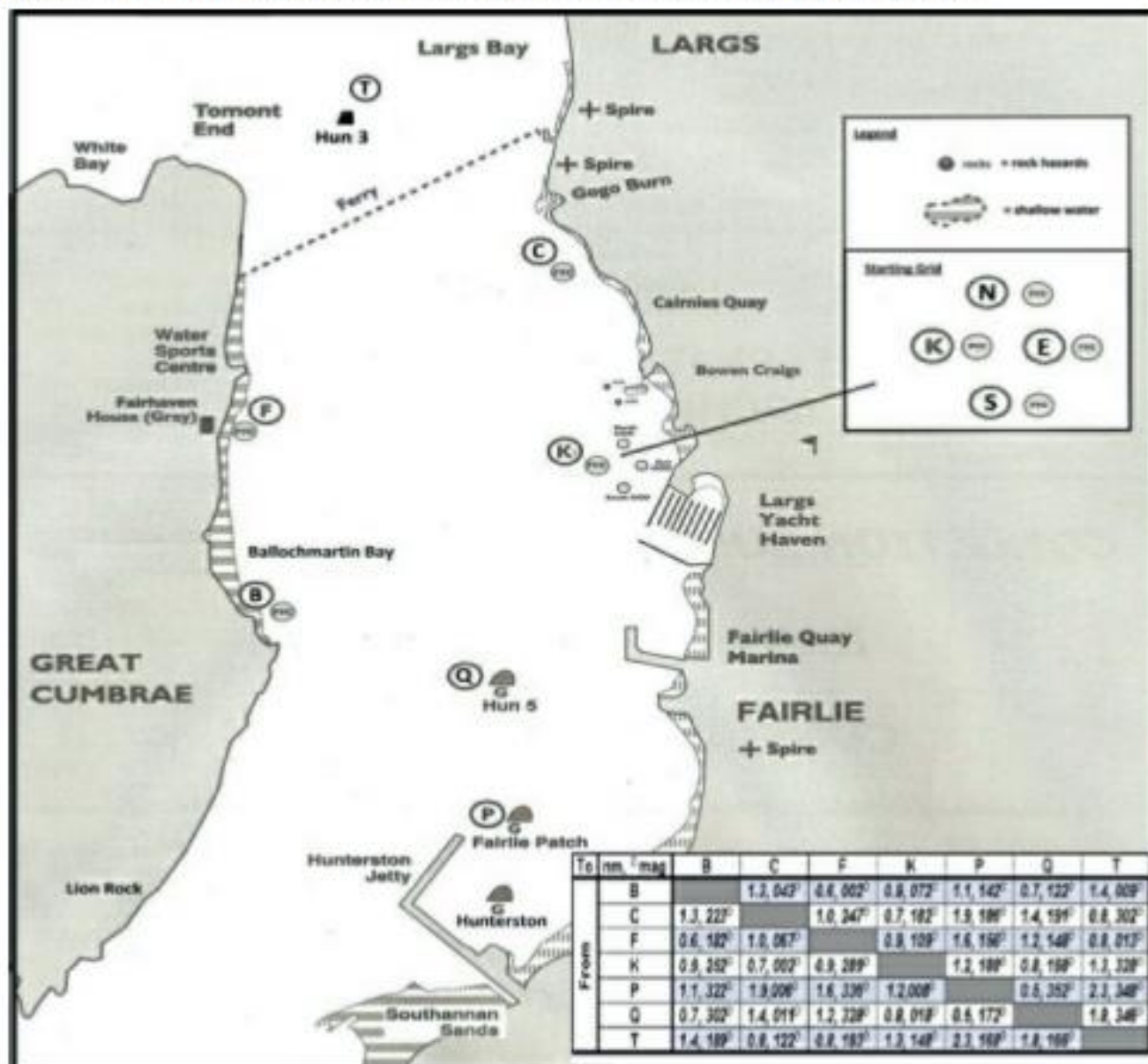
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## Navigation Warning :

Competitors are reminded that there are shallow areas inshore and North of the start area (K), to the East of Fairlie Patch buoy (P) and to the north and south of the marina entrance and rapidly shelving water on the direct line between marks C and K.

Vessels over 20 metres have right of way in a buoyed channel - Infringements will result in disqualification.



Mark	Description	Location	Latitude	Longitude
F	Orange Race Mark	Fairhaven Bay	55° 46'.80 N	004° 53'.74 W
B	Orange Race Mark	Ballochmartin Bay	55° 46'.21 N	004° 53'.70 W
C	Orange Race Mark	Cairnies Quay	55° 47'.24 N	004° 52'.25 W
K	Green / Red Quarters	0.5nm NNW of Marina Entrance	55° 46'.58 N	004° 52.20 W
N,E,S	Start and Finish CV marks, white with orange top band and identifying letter in vicinity of "K"			
P	Green Lateral Buoy	CPA Fairlie Patch [G FL G 1.5s]	55° 45'.38 N	004° 52'.33 W
Q	Green Lateral Buoy	CPA Hun 5 [G FL G 5s]	55° 45'.87 N	004° 52'.52 W
T	Red Lateral Buoy	CPA Hun 3 [R FL R 2s]	55° 47'.61 N	004° 52'.06 W

Mark positions are approximate