



KING'S HARBOUR MASTER PORTSMOUTH

LNTM No 104/23

CROSS SOLENT SWIMS – 9 & 10 SEPTEMBER 2023

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the King's Harbour Master Portsmouth that a Cross Solent Swim will take place on Saturday 9 September and on Sunday 10 September 2023, between Gilkicker and Ryde Sands.
2. On Saturday 9 September there will be six swimmers participating in the crossing, which will be in two pods. Each swimmer will be accompanied by a kayaker acting as an individual support craft.
3. On Sunday 10 September there will be 12 swimmers participating in the crossing which will be in two pods. Each swimmer will be accompanied by a kayaker acting as an individual support craft.
4. The lead support vessel is '**SWIM CONTROL / REBEL ANCHORMAN**' MMSI 235016877 (LOA 10m blue multi role catamaran). There will be three other support vessels, '**REBEL PROTECTOR**' MMSI 232029921, (LOA 8.5m dark blue RIB), '**BLUETOOTH**' (LOA 7m light grey RHIB) '**REBEL 3**, (A 4m bright orange vessel). A listening watch will be maintained on VHF Ch11 and Ch12 throughout.
5. The swim route is from Gilkicker to Ryde Sands, starting at 1130 on Saturday and completing by approximately 1500. On Sunday the swim will start at 1230 and complete by 1600.
6. All support craft will display the International Code Flag 'ALPHA' while escorting the swimmers.
7. Mariners are requested to keep a good lookout and pass well clear of the swimmers and the support craft during their crossing of the Solent.
8. Cancel this Local Notice to Mariners 11 September 2023

Tuesday 05 Sep 2023

N J RANDALL
King's Harbour Master

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.