

KING'S HARBOUR MASTER PORTSMOUTH

LNTM No 80/23

CROSS SOLENT SWIM – 23 JULY 2023

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the King's Harbour Master Portsmouth that a Cross Solent Swim will take place on Sunday 23 July 2023 between Gilkicker and Ryde Sands.

2. Eight swimmers will be participating in the crossing. Each swimmer will be accompanied by a kayaker acting as an individual support craft. The lead support vessel is 'SWIM CONTROL / SHY SHARK' LOA 4.5m light grey RHIB. There will be three other support vessels: 'REBEL ANCHORMAN' MMSI 235016877 (LOA 10m blue multi role catamaran), 'REBEL PROTECTOR' MMSI 232029921, (LOA 8.5m dark blue RIB), and 'BLUETOOTH' (LOA 8m dark blue RHIB). A listening watch will be maintained on VHF Ch11 and Ch12 throughout.

3. The swim route is from Gilkicker to Ryde Sands, starting at 0700 and completing by approximately 1100.

4. All support craft will display the International Code Flag 'ALPHA' while escorting the swimmers.

5. 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.

6. Cancel this Local Notice to Mariners 24 July 2023.

Tuesday 18 Jul 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.