



Nab Tower Pursuit Saturday 15th June 2019

(Formally known as the Gosport Charity Pursuit)

Come and join us for a day's sailing whilst raising funds for your favourite charity

Welcome to the fourth edition of this unique offshore event which aims to raise money for local charities whilst enjoying a good day out on the water. The event in June 2018 helped to raise over £6000 for participants' chosen charities.

Pursuit?

A Pursuit, as its name implies, is NOT a race as such. It is, however, an opportunity to test the mettle of your boat against others. This is achieved by boats starting in groups, smallest first, with the aim of finishing at about the same time. The course will be decided nearer the time but will include rounding the Nab Tower and back.



Points System. Points will be awarded for:

- Early Entry the earlier you register as a participant, the more points will be awarded; 10% of total
- Fund-raising the more money your vessel/crew raise, the more points will be awarded; 50% of total
- The Pursuit the quicker you complete the sailing course (on corrected time), the more points will be awarded; 40% of total

Prize-Giving and Crew Party

After the Pursuit, come and enjoy the prize-giving party at Hornet Services Sailing Club, who are kindly hosting the event, where a barbecue, at £10 per head, and entertainment will be laid on for all crew members, and some berths will be available on a first come, first served basis. Purchase tickets for your crew to enjoy the barbecue when you complete your **Pursuit Entry Form**. The **Gosport Challenge Cup** will be awarded to the vessel with the highest accumulated points. There will be lots of additional prizes (e.g. best-dressed crew, youngest crew, oldest crew, most money raised for charity, etc) for other aspects of the Pursuit.

Charities and Fundraising

You can raise money for any charity you choose. The more money you raise, the more points you score! The **Nab Tower Pursuit** accepts yachts which are as varied as the abilities and ages of their crews. All are welcomed with the proviso that yachts MUST be safe to sail a 20+ mile offshore course.

Enter Early for extra points! Then start raising sponsorship for your entry. Sponsorship £'s mean points and, as you know, points mean prizes!

Gosport Marine Futures

One hundred percent of your Pursuit entry fee goes to our own charity **Gosport Marine Futures**, whose object is to encourage young people to develop an interest and/or pursue a career in the marine or maritime industry.

If you can say yes to the questions below, then welcome to the Pursuit!

- Is your yacht suitable to sail the 20+ mile offshore course?
- Can you meet the terms and conditions of entry; particular note should be made of paragraph (2) overleaf
- Can your yacht complete the 20+ mile course in under 8 hours?
- Do you have a minimum of £3,000,000 third party insurance?
- Does it have a keel(s), an engine and can your yacht be reefed?
- Do you have a VHF radio on board able to monitor Channel 72 or 77 throughout the day?

Sailing instructions, including start times, will be issued at the skippers' briefing the evening before the event.

Raising Sponsorship

- Start raising sponsorship. Remember the charity you choose must have a Registered Charity Number and you must provide on the Entry Form the name of the Head of Fundraising, Donor Support Officer or, in the case of smaller charities, the Treasurer. Use business contacts, organisations, friends and family, as well as your crew to help raise funds. **Note that, in a change to last year, the percentage of points awarded for fundraising has increased from 40% to 50%!**
- Create a 'JustGiving' page for your donors to use to register their donations.

Entering

The event is sailed under International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Colregs) which everyone who sails must know and understand. Start times are allocated in groups. The first group will start at approximately 1000 hrs on Saturday 15 June 2019. The Pursuit is very definitely NOT a race, but a 'fun chase to fund raise' for your favourite charity. **The Pursuit Entry Form is on the Nab Tower Pursuit web page.**



Further Guidance

The Organisers expect you to adhere to your own guidelines for dealing with risk, regardless of the desire to win prizes. The Organisers' own risk assessment makes the assumption that participants will conform to our **Conditions of Entry**.

Conditions of Entry

1. Every yacht shall be adequately insured and have a minimum Third Party Liability of £3,000,000.
2. Every yacht shall be seaworthy, suitable to undertake an offshore passage and carry appropriate and adequate safety equipment.
3. On the day, the ability of the yacht's crew should reflect the prevailing weather conditions.
4. Every yacht shall have a working engine and be capable of reefing.
5. Application for entry shall be made via the **Nab Tower Pursuit web page**. No application for entry shall be accepted after Noon on 10th June 2019.
6. Every yacht shall have a working VHF radio and be capable of monitoring VHF Channel 72/77 throughout the event and sending a MAYDAY message.
7. Every yacht shall clearly display on the bow (or other suitable position) the **Pursuit sticker** provided by The Organisers.
8. The Organisers reserve the right to shorten the course for individual yachts, according to the conditions on the day. This may include postponement or abandonment of the event.
9. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry.

Legal Liability

1. By completing and paying for an entry for the **Nab Tower Pursuit**, participants agree that they accept the Terms and Conditions of Entry and further accept that they are responsible for themselves, their crew and their boats, whether ashore or afloat.
2. No action or omission by The Organisers: i.e. The Event Organisers, their Management Team, Patrol Craft and anyone helping to run the event, will relieve participants of their responsibilities.
3. By putting to sea, participants imply the suitability of their boat and the competence of the skipper and crew for the expected or forecast conditions. **Participants understand that their safety and that of their crew is their responsibility, including the decision to sail in the conditions on the day.**
4. Participants understand that The Event Organisers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/entrant, the skipper or crew, or yacht as a result of their taking part. Moreover every owner entrant warrants the suitability of the entered yacht for the event.