



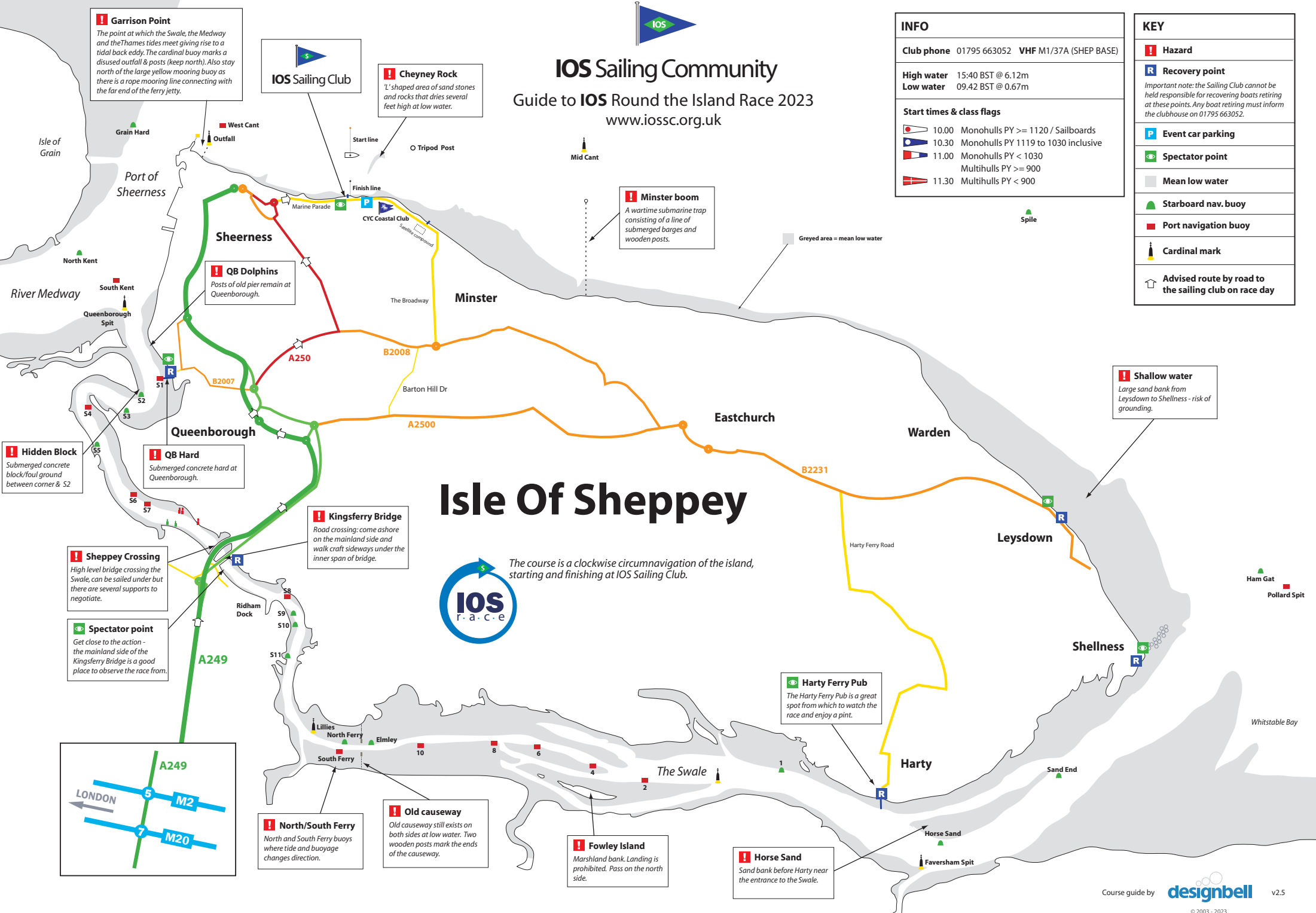
# IOS Sailing Community

## Guide to IOS Round the Island Race 2023

www.iossc.org.uk

INFO	
Club phone	01795 663052 VHF M1/37A (SHEP BASE)
High water	15:40 BST @ 6.12m
Low water	09:42 BST @ 0.67m
Start times & class flags	
	10.00 Monohulls PY >= 1120 / Sailboards
	10.30 Monohulls PY 1119 to 1030 inclusive
	11.00 Monohulls PY < 1030
	Multihulls PY >= 900
	11.30 Multihulls PY < 900

KEY	
	<b>Hazard</b>
	<b>Recovery point</b>
<i>Important note: the Sailing Club cannot be held responsible for recovering boats retiring at these points. Any boat retiring must inform the clubhouse on 01795 663052.</i>	
	<b>Event car parking</b>
	<b>Spectator point</b>
	<b>Mean low water</b>
	<b>Starboard nav. buoy</b>
	<b>Port navigation buoy</b>
	<b>Cardinal mark</b>
	<b>Advised route by road to the sailing club on race day</b>



# Isle Of Sheppey

The course is a clockwise circumnavigation of the island, starting and finishing at IOS Sailing Club.

**Garrison Point**  
The point at which the Swale, the Medway and the Thames tides meet giving rise to a tidal back eddy. The cardinal buoy marks a disused outfall & posts (keep north). Also stay north of the large yellow mooring buoy as there is a rope mooring line connecting with the far end of the ferry jetty.

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**Cheyney Rock**  
L shaped area of sand stones and rocks that dries several feet high at low water.

**Minster boom**  
A wartime submarine trap consisting of a line of submerged barges and wooden posts.

**Shallow water**  
Large sand bank from Leysdown to Shellness - risk of grounding.

**Hidden Block**  
Submerged concrete block/foul ground between corner & S2

**QB Hard**  
Submerged concrete hard at Queenborough.

**Sheppey Crossing**  
High level bridge crossing the Swale, can be sailed under but there are several supports to negotiate.

**Kingsferry Bridge**  
Road crossing: come ashore on the mainland side and walk craft sideways under the inner span of bridge.

**Harty Ferry Pub**  
The Harty Ferry Pub is a great spot from which to watch the race and enjoy a pint.

**Spectator point**  
Get close to the action - the mainland side of the Kingsferry Bridge is a good place to observe the race from.

**North/South Ferry**  
North and South Ferry buoys where tide and buoyage changes direction.

**Old causeway**  
Old causeway still exists on both sides at low water. Two wooden posts mark the ends of the causeway.

**Fowley Island**  
Marshland bank. Landing is prohibited. Pass on the north side.

**Horse Sand**  
Sand bank before Harty near the entrance to the Swale.

