

Flotilla Instructions

To celebrate Reaper's return to Anstruther she will be escorted by Historic vessels, pleasure boats, private yachts, motor-boats.

The Flotilla is co-ordinated by Rob Smith the Scottish Fisheries Museum Boat Club Event Planner.

These joining instructions are important to provide the necessary information to join the Flotilla. Please ensure that you read all the instructions carefully for the safety of all concerned.

Schedule

Monday 4th July Rosyth (BST) LW 10:20 HW Anstruther 16:25 Flotilla Control VHF CH 12

The Passage Plan: Will be a two staged event.

Stage One Reaper will depart Rosyth Dockyard with 1 or 2 support vessels making way via the buoyed navigational channel under the bridges heading in an easterly direction along the deep water channel. Providing it is safe to do so we will exit the channel between fairway buoys 6-8 and set a course across Kirkcaldy Bay for 52. 11.1'N 02.14.7W 1 mile abeam off Elie Ness.

Stage Two Reaper will meet up with a gathering of smaller local vessels 1 NM off Elie Ness. This gathering of vessels will be under the control and coordinated by White Wing ME113 (The Scottish Fisheries Museum second historic vessel).

Reaper will be returned to the Scottish Fisheries museum on July 3rd 2019 after which she will exit the Rosyth Naval Dock Yard basin and moor within the lock in preparation for the return passage to Anstruther July 4th 10:30hrs The Dock Master will lower the level within the lock and open the outer gate for departure.

Two support vessels for Reaper's return passage to Anstruther are scheduled to arrive at the MOD dock yard (Port Edgar?) 3rd July at Reapers designated birth. Prior to entering the Dock Yards access channel, support vessels must contact the Rosyth Dock Master VHF channel 76 for permission to approach and moor up alongside Reaper. **(Crew Names to be provided for dockyard clearance)** Confirmation will also need to sort 24 hours prior to their arrival to ensure there are no MOD or Merchant vessel movements scheduled upon their arrival.

Timing

There will be a face to face meeting or a telecon meeting between everyone associated with the Stage One return passage to review all protocols associated with the flotilla, in particular Mike Barton of the Reaper and Alan Colquhoun of Caladh.

Providing there are no scheduled vessel movements in the Dock Yard access channel and with sanction from the Dock Master, Reaper and the support vessels will depart 10:30 hrs July 4th.

Vessels will proceed at a predetermined speed line astern at a separation distance of 150 - 200m whilst in the deep water channel to comply with the International Regulations for Prevention of Collision at Sea.

The lead boat will set the speed, the support boat will provide mechanical and assistance should it be required.

Support boats may issue specific instructions and we ask everyone to listen carefully and to comply immediately with all instructions. The designated "support boats" are: Stage one Caladh. Stage Two White Wing ME 113

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Reportable Incident

In the event of an incident that involves personal injury or where the boat is in danger and needs assistance, contact the Column Leader in the first instance on the allocated channel (VHF 12) who will then initiate the appropriate action. All such incidents will be recorded logged for information or action as required. It is very important that all participants keep "radio silence" once they have completed their initial "comms check" with their Column leader unless they have something significant to report.

Shore Support Managers : Ian Goodyear, Rob Smith

Flotilla Incident Managers : Richard Wemyss, Andrew Gould, Mike Barton

Incident Matrix

Type of Incident	Action Taken	Lead Officer	Comms Instruction
Crew Member suffers minor cut or mishap	Skipper reports incident to Column Leader on Channel 12 who informs what if any assistance is required.	Flotilla Afloat Manager (FIM)	N/A
Vessel loss power or lack of steerage	Skipper reports incident to the Column Leader <i>Reaper</i> or <i>White Wing</i> who immediately informs other column vessels of hazard and reports incident to Support Vessel on Channel 12 take the disabled vessel in tow	FIM	Initially Ch12 for the disabled vessel only (other vessels retain radio silence). FIM decide on Flotilla channel change depending on risk to other vessels
Collision between vessels	As above but FIM will instruct all vessels in column to maintain watch on Channel 12 and consider requesting nominated vessels to standby and assist depending on immediate damage assessment. FIM contact HMCG for assistance	Initially FIM potentially HMCG	Initially Column vessels stay on Channel 12, FIM to decide if HMCG required to manage incident on Ch16
Adverse weather	All vessels to take appropriate action until the squall has passed seek appropriate shelter and return to home port when able to do so	FIM	Column leaders to request all participants to Abort issued with vessels to remain on Ch12 Until weather conditions improve.

EMERGENCIES

MOB, Vessel collision. Contact HMCG channel 16 and request RNLI immediate assistance.

FIRST AID FACILITIES

In the event of an immersion of any crew member revert to Cold Water Shock procedures.

Every vessel within the flotilla must have an adequate First Aid Box to address basic requirements.

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

It would be preferable if all vessel taking part have dual radio channel capability to listen on the proposed flotilla channel and the international distress channel 16. If the dual feature is not available two radios will be requested. Take your Mobile as a standby and for possible Ship to Shore communication.

All boats must carry a marine band VHF transceiver.
Marine band VHF channels to be used are listed below.

VHF12	Fruitful KY 40	Flotilla Incident
VHF12	White Wing KY 113	Flotilla Incident
VHF12	Reaper FR 958	Flotilla Incident
VHF 16	Emergency Channel	HMCG monitor

Each support vessel will be on VHF Channel 12 Throughout. In the event of an incident occurring procedures and responses will be initially co-ordinated by the Flotilla Incident Manager. Full control of the event will be controlled and coordinated by HMCG

In the event of an incident the primary support vessels will request all communications not associated with the event must then cease until the situation has been secured.

CREW LIMITATIONS AND CREW LIST

1. A crew list of all the people expected to participate together with a Next of Kin contact list that shall, so far as possible, be up to date and complete at the start of the flotilla. The latter will be held by the nominated shore contact.

Elie Ness

Prior to Reaper's arrival at Elie Ness White Wing ME113 will be the coordinating vessel in preparing the other vessels

It is hoped that Anstruther's ALB and ILB lifeboats will take part in Reaper's home coming if not otherwise engaged

The mustering areas are as shown on chart with White Wing ME 113 being the coordinating vessel preparing the smaller vessels for the final part of the passage. Each boat skipper will have been made aware of their position in line and will be called forward on VHF channel 12 to join and follow lead boat. See Flotilla Layout attached to email.

St Monans

Prior to Reaper's arrival at St Monans, Sunflower Blue and Lily II will wait inshore of the Reaper and Caladh in readiness for the White Wing ME113 to prepare them to join the end of Column 1 and Column 2 respectively. See Flotilla Layout attached to email.

Speed

The Flotilla will be being asked to sail at 5 kts . as it travels along the coast passing St. Monans, and Pittenweem. The aim is to have columns 1&2 separated such that the dispersal of both columns will be between Pittenweem and the Billowiness in a controlled manner.

Finish

On passing Pittenweem, Anstruther Harbour Master will be contacted for clearance to enter Anstruther Harbour. Reaper will take the lead entering Anstruther harbour

Weather Limitations

Class/Type of Vessel	Max Sea State Allowable	Max Wind Conditions allowable
Rowing Boats	2	4
Sea going skiffs, small motor boats and yachts <7m	3	5 or squalls forecast

EVENT Cancellation

- 72 hrs prior to event should the weather forecast predict gale force winds or sea state 6 or above for the period of the event then the event will be cancelled and all entrant skippers will be e-mailed with this news At 9am the morning of the event the weather conditions will be assessed and the GO/NO G Skippers affected will be informed by email or phone call.
- The strict observance of the flotilla sailing directions and timings are imperative.
- Ensuring 'a responsible adult' accompanies juniors competing in the event to assist and assumes responsibility for their welfare

EQUIPMENT

It is the responsibility of the vessel owners to ensure that their boats are safe and are prepared to the standards required by their Classification Safety Rules.

KEY INSTRUCTIONS

- Ensure that everyone associated with Reaper's return is fully conversant with the Emergency and Communication procedures.
- Ensure you have informed the Event Coordinator by Monday 01 July via email or by phone on 07866 947 400 with your crew list and Next of Kin information
- When underway please ensure that you and your crew wear appropriate clothing.
- Overcrowded boats will not be permitted.
- Maintain a proper lookout by sight and hearing as required by the International Collision Regulations
- All crew must wear personal buoyancy aids
- In the event of an incident that involves personal injury or severe illness, or where the boat is in danger and needs assistance, crews should contact in the first instance the Primary Support vessels Caladh or White Wing ME113 on VHF Channel 12

Anstruther Harbour has limited berthing availability; vessels wishing to enter the harbour must contact the Harbour Master in the first instance, Available facilities, Toilets and shower facilities.

Anstruther Harbour Master VHF channel 11