DRASCOMBE RACING HANDICAPS - PORTSMOUTH YARDSTICKS

Traditionally racing is not part of the "Drascombe ethos" but there are a few exceptions.

There does not appear to be an RYA "official" Portsmouth Yardstick for Drascombes but both the Kilchoan club (Ardnamurchan) and West Wittering club (Chichester harbour) have raced them against other boats and developed the following. These tend to average out fairly well over a long period in reasonably sheltered waters though different weather conditions favour different types. However the ability of the helm and crew will generally have a bigger effect than the handicap!

DRASCOMBE	Mainsail	Kilchoan	W Wittering	Others
LONGBOAT	Standard		1305	
COASTER	Sport	1320		
LUGGER	Sport			
COASTER	Standard	1330	1324	
DRIFTER	Standard			1375 (W Mersea)
LUGGER	Standard	1382	1386	
SCAFFIE	Standard			
DABBER	Standard			

(fastest)

The formula for calculation of corrected times for race results is:

Corrected Time (C) = Elapsed Time (E)/ Portsmouth Yardstick (PY) x 1,000

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