2022 REGATTA ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Friends and Donors,

The Swanwick Bursledon & Warsash Regatta Committee would like to update you with some exciting news.

In the wake of the COVID pandemic and the realisation that the area in Bursledon Pool was becoming increasingly restricted for competitors and spectators alike we felt that we should explore waters anew. So, after 50+ years in Bursledon Pool, the Regatta is on the move. A big thanks to Tom and the Richardson family for hosting us for so long. We all know what a big part they have played in the success of the Regatta in recent decades.

Prior to Bursledon, the Regatta was based in Swanwick and Moody's boatyard. But even before that back in 1882 it was in Warsash, so we felt that it was perhaps time to revisit the eastern Hamble shores. After successful discussions, Warsash Sailing Club have generously offered to host the Regatta 2022 and into the future.

The new location will give dinghy sailors, rowers, swimmers and even paddleboarders more space to compete on a section of the river where spectators can have a great beachside view of the racing. This should make the Regatta even more fun and exciting event for novice and more experienced sailors and other water enthusiasts alike.

'Kipper Pond', at the entrance to the Hamble River at Warsash, will be the location of our traditional Regatta, this location and its adjacent beach will allow an expansion of the afternoon fun races over varied courses and in full view of shoreside supporters.

Ink **Saturday and Sunday, 3rd & 4th September 2022** into your calendars, and stand by for an exciting programme of sailing, rowing races and other fun on the water events as well as the opportunity to take part in the spectacular water carnival.

Berthing during the Regatta for spectators' yachts and ribs will be available by prior arrangement.

Friends of the Regatta are vital and without your continued support we would not be able to stage such an extensive event and we are delighted to say the planning of the Friend's Friday night Regatta Opening Party is well underway.

We very much look forward to seeing you all again for this fun weekend back in Warsash.

We will update you with the details and the program for this year soon and we look forward to your continuing support for the Swanwick, Bursledon & Warsash Regatta.

Happy Boating!

Chairman Swanwick, Bursledon & Warsash Regatta