

PORT NOTICE TO MARINERS

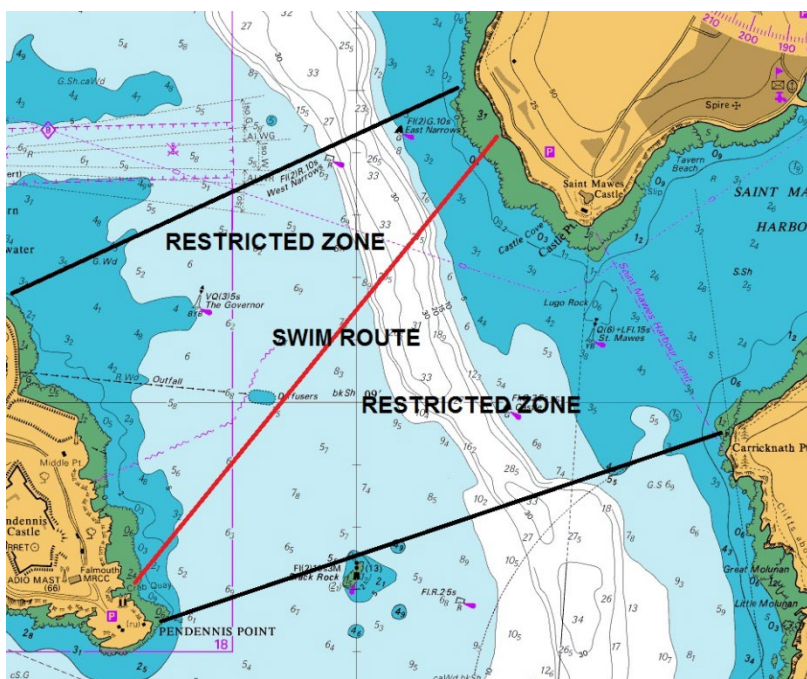
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Castle to Castle Swim

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a charity swim is planned between Pendennis Point and St Mawes Castle on Sunday 28th May 2023, this event is subject to weather conditions.

The event will take place between 11:30 and 13:00 and will involve up to about 500 swimmers. The swimmers will start at Crab Quay on Pendennis Point, position 50°08.70N, 005°02.60W and will finish at the beach to the northwest of Castle Cove beach near St Mawes Castle, position 50°09.42N, 005°01.60W.

The route will take the participants across the deep-water channel, which is the shipping route for the Carrick Roads and Falmouth. Shipping movements will be restricted from 11:15 to 13:00, north of a line from Pendennis point to Carricknath point and south of the West and East Narrows buoys. Commercial vessels planning to transit Carrick roads should contact Falmouth Harbour Pilots on VHF channel 9 to obtain the current status.



There will be a mobile exclusion zone around the swimmers: A line of buoys will be laid along the swim route and will be recovered on completion of the event. No vessels should attempt to pass through the exclusion zone and the swimmers. Leisure traffic will be permitted to pass East or West of the Exclusion zone at the discretion of the safety patrols.

The event will be marshalled by Lifeguards on rescue boards, the Falmouth ALB & ILB, Harbour Masters vessels and a number of small, powered vessels. Safety craft will be exhibiting a RNLI flag to aid identification. Harbour Master's launch Killigrew can be contacted on vhf channel 12. The event control can be contacted on VHF channel 73.

Mariners are advised to keep a good visual and listening watch on VHF channels 16 and 12 and are requested to give all swimmers and safety boats a wide berth and to proceed at a safe speed. Vessels not involved in the event should not pass through the safety cordon and should follow the advice of the safety vessels.

Should weather conditions be unsuitable on the day then an alternative route off Gyllyngvase beach may be selected. (See below).

Alternative Swimming route



If that should also be unsuitable then an alternative date may be proposed.

This notice is self-cancelling on Sunday 28th May 2023 on completion of the event.

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