

Sutton Bingham Sailing Club Spring Warm Up Open

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NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organising Authority

1.1 The Organising Authority is Sutton Bingham Sailing Club (“SBSC”)

2. Rules

2.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2 This Notice Of Race (NOR) may be amended by a Notice to competitors from the Organising Authority. If there is any conflict with the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

3. Classes and Eligibility

3.1 Racing shall take place in monohull dinghies (general handicap)

3.2 (not applicable)

3.3 A boat shall have a valid measurement certificate, which may be required at Registration.

4. Registration & Briefing

4.1 All boats must register to compete. Registration will take place in the clubhouse at SBSC, starting at 9.00 am.

4.2 There will be a briefing for all competitors in front of the race office at SBSC not before 10.00 am.

5. Entries

5.1 The entry fee for the event is £5 Per boat. Cheques are payable to “Sutton Bingham Sailing Club”.

5.2 Entries must be on the event entry form and received together with the entry fee before the start of racing.

5.3 Late entries & entry fees may be submitted at the discretion of the organising authority.

6. Sailing instructions

6.1 In any conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions, the SI’s shall take precedence.

6.2 A copy of the SI’s may be downloaded from the SBSC website.

6.3 Paper copies of the SI’s will also be available at registration. In the event of any conflict, the SI’s available on the day shall prevail over SI’s available from the website.

7. Racing Programme

7.1 There will be a maximum of 3 races. 1 race shall constitute a valid series.

7.2 There will be 1 race prior to lunch, followed by 2 in the afternoon.

7.3 The warning signal for race 1 will not be before 11.25 am on race hut flag pole or on committee boat.

8. Courses and Racing Area

- 8.1 Racing courses will be determined on the day of the event by the Race Officer.
- 8.2 A diagram of the racing course will be displayed on the board in front of the Race Office. The sequence of mark roundings will also be displayed on boards at the foot of the flagstaff.

9. Disclaimer of Liability

- 9.1 A boat (including crew), are entirely responsible for her own safety whether afloat or ashore. Nothing in the Notice Of Race or Sailing Instructions, or anywhere else reduces or removes this responsibility.
- 9.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for the prevailing conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 9.3 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.
- 9.4 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce or remove the responsibility of the boat, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, personal injury or death, however it may be caused, as a result of a boat taking part in the event.
- 9.5 "The Organisers" encompasses everyone helping to organise and run the event, and includes the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, The Race Office, Patrol Boats and Beach Masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

10. Safety

- 10.1 It is a strict club rule that personal buoyancy aids must be worn by anyone, whether competitor, parent, helper or spectator, whilst afloat or on the pontoons.**
- 10.2 No-one may go afloat until the Officer of the Day (OOD) has hoisted the club burgee on the flagstaff in front of the Race Office to indicate that adequate safety cover is available. However, competitors may sign before the burgee is raised.
- 10.3 The OOD has the authority to curtail sailing at any time, and for any reason, by lowering the club burgee from the flagstaff. All afloat must come ashore immediately.
- 10.4 All competitors are required to keep well away from the outflow near the dam. This is a danger area and is clearly marked on the water by a ring of buoys.

11. Notices to Competitors

- 11.1 All notices to competitors will be posted on the board at the Race Office.

12. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 12.1 Any changes to the SI's or Programme of Races will be advised to competitors by the Race Officer and posted on the board at the Race Office as soon as practical before the start of the race/races it will affect, and will be signalled by the flying of flag "L".

13. Signals Made Ashore

- 13.1 Signals made ashore will be made on the flagstaff in front of the Race Office.

14. Protests

- 14.1 Protests shall be on written on forms available from the Race Office.
- 14.2 Completed protest forms shall be handed to the Race Officer no later than 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day.

15. Scoring and Discards

- 15.1 The event will scored using the Low Points scoring system.
- 15.2 If all 3 races are sailed one discard will be allowed. If fewer than 2 races are sailed no discards will be allowed.

16. Radio Communications

16.1 Competitors are reminded that electronic and electrical instruments with the sole exception of electronic timing devices are prohibited. This includes mobile telephones and other electronic communication devices.

17. Rights to use Names and Likenesses

17.1 By registering for the event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority without payment and in perpetuity the right to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to the event. They also allow their name age category, club and boat displayed in competitor lists prior to the event, and in results on the SBSC website and in publications.

18. Prizes

18.1 Prizes will be awarded to crews placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall in the event.

18.2 Additional prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

19. Parking and Accommodation

19.1 Parking is limited at SBSC: competitors are asked to park vehicles and trailers considerately and comply with requests from club officers if asked to move.

19.2 Information about possible accommodation near the club is available from the club website.