



NOTICE OF RACE

2015 Laser EPS and Byte Open Meeting

Haversham S.C., Milton Keynes

Saturday 25th April 2015

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Entries are invited from competitors for the 2015 EPS and Byte Open Meeting

Organised by HAVERSHAM SAILING CLUB

1. Rules: The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016, the Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association, Class Rules and Haversham Sailing Club's Sailing Instructions.

Racing Rules 27.1 and 40 will be changed to the effect that buoyancy aids are required. The changes appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. Competitors should note that Haversham Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book and at the point of event entry.

2. Eligibility & Entry: The regatta is open to all boats of the EPS and Byte class. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on the day. This will be available on the morning of the event from 09h00.

3. Entry Fee: An entry fee of £10 is payable on the day.

4. Schedule: Three races are scheduled for the event, with two results to count. A competitors' briefing will be held in front of the club balcony at 10h30. Start times will be approximately as follows:-

1st Race start: 11h00

2nd Race start: 13h00

3rd Race start: as soon as possible after 2nd Race (back-to-back)

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10h55.

5. Sailing Instructions: The Sailing Instructions are available on the club website: www.havershamsc.co.uk. Additional copies will be made available at the time of entry.

6. Prizes: Prizes will be awarded for 1st - 3rd places.

7. Risk Statement: Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

8. Insurance: Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least £2,000,000 or the equivalent.

Further Information:

Free on-site camping is available for Friday and Saturday

The club postcode for satellite navigation systems is MK19 7DX.

For further information about the event please contact the club on gordon.tweedle@btinternet.com or by phone on 01908 675410, or by viewing the club website at www.havershamsc.co.uk.