



NOTICE OF RACE

2018 Milton Keynes Cup

Haversham S.C., Milton Keynes

Sunday 14th October 2018



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Entries are invited from competitors for the 2018 Milton Keynes Cup

Organised by HAVERSHAM SAILING CLUB

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- 1. Rules:** The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association 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 a single team from each of the RYA-recognised sailing clubs in the Milton Keynes area. Competitors must be members of the club for which they are competing. Helms must be aged 18 or over on the day of the event. Competing boats must be mono-hulled and have a 2018 RYA Portsmouth Yardstick between 900 and 1390.

Competitors may enter by completing the entry form on the day of the event. All competitors must complete an entry form. The entry form will be available on the morning of the event from 09h00.

- 3. Entry Fee:** An entry fee of £6 per competitor is payable on the day.

- 4. Format:** Each team will consist of six boats, of which no more than three may be single-handers.

The event will consist of three average lap handicap races of approximately one-hour's duration.

- 5. 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.

- 6. Sailing Instructions:** The Sailing Instructions are available on the club website at www.havershamsc.org. Additional copies will be made available at the time of entry.

- 7. Scoring:** Each boat may discard one score.

The winning team will be that with the lowest cumulative score (excluding discards). In the event of a tie, the winner will be the team with the greater number of first places. If a tie remains unbroken, then account will be taken successively of the higher number of second places, third place, etc.

Incomplete teams will be awarded points for their missing boats equal to the number of teams x 6 plus 2.

The winning individual boat will be that with the lowest cumulative score (excluding discards). Ties will be broken in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix 8.1 and then Appendix A 8.2.

- 8. Prizes:** The Milton Keynes Cup will be awarded to the winning team. A prize will also be awarded to the winning individual boat.

- 8. Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors will be required to confirm that they have read and agree to the provisions of the *Disclaimer of Liability* printed overleaf.

- 9. 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.

Disclaimer of Liability

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;

Further Information:

Hot food will be available during the lunch break at extra cost.

Free on-site camping is available for the hardy.

The club postcode for satellite navigation systems is MK19 7DX. **Do not use Bing.**

For further information about the event please contact the club at racing@havershamsc.org or by viewing the club website at www.havershamsc.org