



HAVERSHAM SAILING CLUB

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NOTICE OF RACE for CLUB RACE SERIES and TROPHY EVENTS



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1. **Definitions**

1.1. **Fast Handicap Fleet**

Boats racing in a Fast Handicap Series that have a PY the same as or lower than an ILCA7. (Current PY 1102)

1.2. **Slow Handicap Fleet**

Boats racing in a Slow Handicap Series that have a PY higher than an ILCA7. (Current PY 1102)

1.3. **Helm / Boat**

- 1.3.1. In a series, each boat will be counted as a different entry, unless the helm sails the same class of boat. Club boats used by different helms will be classed as a separate entry.
- 1.3.2. A boat with a choice of rig (e.g. an ILCA or Aero) is counted as a separate class, except that a boat sailing with a smaller rig may be scored as the faster boat if it has been signed on as such.

1.4. **Handicap System**

- 1.4.1. The Portsmouth Yardstick, as notified by the RYA, or official club numbers are used to determine corrected time.
- 1.4.2. The Sailing Committee reserves the right to use CNs (Club Numbers) as allowed by the Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme.
- 1.4.3. Handicap numbers in use are displayed on the official club notice board, which is located in the corridor outside the changing rooms.
- 1.4.4. Personal handicapping systems may be introduced for future series.
- 1.4.5. To this end, lap times are to be recorded for all handicap and class racing.
- 1.4.6. Average Lap Racing will be used for all club racing (even if in the same Class), except for pursuit races.
- 1.4.7. Race durations shall be as defined in sections 5 and 6.

2. **RYA Racing Charter**

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 version of the Racing Rules of Sailing and on the official club notice board.



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3. Scoring System

3.1. Abbreviations

DNC	Did not start; did not come to the starting area (see 11.15 HSC SI)
DNS	Did not start (other than DNC and OCS)
OCS	Did not start; on course side of starting line.
DNF	Did not finish.
RET	Retired.
DSQ	Disqualification
NSC	Did not sail the course
DNE	Disqualification that is not excludable.
RDG	Redress given
OOD	Race Officer (and Assistant Race Officer)
SBC	Safety Boat Crew
MKC	MK Cup and other absences authorised by the committee.
SUP	Bar and Galley Duty

3.2. Points

3.2.1. Points will be scored as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

3.2.2. Unless stated otherwise the number of discards allowed will be half the number of races sailed (rounded up) less one. There will be no discards for the events comprising 3 races of 20 minutes.

3.2.3. Except as detailed in 3.2.4 below, a helm must have competed in half the number of races sailed (rounded down) plus one to qualify for a series, as follows:-

No. of Races	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,	7,	8,	9,	10,	11,	12
Discards	0,	0,	1,	1,	2,	2,	3,	3,	4,	4,	5,	5
To Qualify	1,	2,	2,	3,	3,	4,	4,	5,	5,	6,	6,	7

3.2.4. In the long series (i.e.- the Civil Service Cup, Dennis Cooke, Icicle, Ice Maiden, Winter Willie, Frostbite, Eric Hine, Weatherhead and Ladies' Hot Series), a helm must have competed in one third of the number of races sailed (rounded down) plus one to qualify for a series, as follows:-

No. of Races	13,	14,	15,	16,	17,	18,	19,	20,	21,	22,	23,	24
Discards	6,	6,	7,	7,	8,	8,	9,	9,	10,	10,	11,	11
To Qualify	5,	5,	6,	6,	6,	7,	7,	7,	8,	8,	8,	9

3.2.5. The qualification rules will be applied on a rolling basis throughout the Series.

3.2.6. In a Series covering more than two days, the OODs, SBCs, SUPs and MKCs will be given the average points of all races that they sailed (other than DNCs) in the series, including DNFs. This will only apply to one boat / helm combination.

3.2.7. Except as detailed in 3.2.8 below, a helm may not take more than two average point scores in a series.



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- 3.2.8. In the long series (i.e.- the Civil Service Cup, Dennis Cooke, Icicle, Ice Maiden, Winter Willie, Frostbite, Eric Hine, Weatherhead and Ladies' Hot Series), a helm may not take more than four average point scores in a series.
- 3.2.9. Helms not "Signing On" may be classified as DNC by the Race Officer.
- 3.2.10. In club and open racing, the Race Officer may class a boat as NSC if it sails an incorrect course.
- 3.2.11. If there is an overall trophy for all classes in a series then there will be a single start.
- 3.2.12. Series Ties will be resolved in accordance with the rules of RRS Appendix A 8.1 and then Appendix A 8.2.
- 3.2.13. Aggregate points are the sum of points for two or more series.

4. **Types of Race**

4.1. **Fast/Slow Handicap Fleet Racing**

2 Starts - Fast Handicap Fleet starts first followed by Slow Handicap Fleet.

HSC handicaps are used to calculate corrected time.

Corrected time = (Actual Time / (Handicap / 1000))

Average Lap times will be used for boats not completing the same number of rounds.

With average lap racing being used the start and finish line must be in the same position.

4.2. **General Handicap Racing**

1 Start, HSC handicaps are used to calculate corrected time.

Corrected time = (Actual Time / (Handicap / 1000))

Average Lap times will be used for boats not completing the same number of rounds.

With average lap racing being used the start and finish line must be in the same position.

4.3. **Fleet Racing**

4.3.1. **General**

The helm / boats will be split into Gold / Silver / Bronze Fleets.

Fleet Races shall have two starts: Normally Gold and Silver Fleets together, followed by Bronze Fleet.

4.3.2. **Allocation to a Fleet**

Helms will be allocated to a Fleet in accordance with the qualification rules outlined below and at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

New Members and infrequent sailors will be categorised according to their experience at the discretion of the Rear Commodore. Appeals can be made to the Sailing Committee.



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4.3.3. Bronze Fleet

The Bronze Fleet consists of any helm not having qualified for the Silver or Gold Fleet.

4.3.4. Silver Fleet

To qualify for the Silver Fleet, a helm should have been placed first in any Bronze Fleet series.

4.3.5. Gold Fleet

To qualify for the Gold Fleet, a helm should have been placed:-

- 1st helm in any Silver Fleet series, or
- 1st helm in any pursuit race, or
- 1st helm in any one-day non-team event.
- Or at the discretion of the Sailing Committee

4.3.6. Fleet Adjustment

Fleet adjustments will be made once a year, prior to the Spring Series.

If, in the three years prior to the Spring Series, a helm has not qualified for a Fleet Racing Series, then that helm may be relegated by one fleet level, e.g. - from Gold to Silver Fleet.

Mid-year promotions will be considered upon request: Such requests are subject to the qualification criteria having been met and may be granted at the discretion of the Rear Commodore.

4.4. **Pursuit Racing**

The Pursuit Race will be based on the time a Mirror should take to complete the race time. The duration will be between 60 and 240 minutes. Corrected start times for each class will be calculated using the published Haversham Sailing Club Handicaps to the nearest 30 seconds, rounded up or down to match the Mirror corrected time as closely as possible.

4.5. **Match / Team Racing**

This will always use boats of the same Class / Rig.

4.6. **Personal Handicaps**

Personal Handicaps can be expressed as a percentage and are calculated from actual performance in handicap races.

Personal Handicaps can be applied to any boat sailed by that helm.

The mechanism for calculating Personal Handicaps will be published if required.

4.7. **Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded as follows:-

A 1st Position will be awarded if one boat qualifies for a series.



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A 2nd Position will be awarded if two boats qualify for a series.

A 3rd Position will be awarded if three boats qualify for a series (Bronze fleet only) or if there are 5 or more qualifiers for Handicap, Gold or Silver fleet.

Additionally, a prize will be awarded to the first-placed qualifying Junior helm (and crew, if applicable) in each of the 10.00 handicap series. A junior is considered to be a person under the age of 19 on 31st August of the current year.

5. Outline of Series

Note that exact series dates are published in the calendar on the Club website (www.havershamsc.org). All times are actual start times and target race durations are 60 minutes unless stated otherwise.

Winter Series	2024 Races on Sundays 3 rd November 2024 – 29 th December 2024 1000 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1130 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1330 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors.
Midwinter Series	2025 Races on Sundays 5 th January 2025 – 23 rd March 2025 1000 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1130 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1330 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors.
Winter Willie Series	Aggregate Score of the second morning start in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to male helms.
Ice Maiden Series	Aggregate Score of the second morning start in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to female helms.
Weatherhead Series	Aggregate Score of the second morning start in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to two-handed boats.
Icicle Series	Aggregate Score of the first afternoon start in the Winter and Midwinter Series for the Gold Fleet.
Frostbite Series	Aggregate Score of the first afternoon start in the Winter and Midwinter Series for the Silver Fleet



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Eric Hine Trophy	Aggregate Score of the first afternoon start in the Winter and Midwinter Series for the Bronze Fleet
Spring Series	31 st March 2024 – 26 th May 2024 Races on Sundays 1000 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1130 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1330 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors. 1500 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors.
Summer Series	2 nd June 2024 – 11 th August 2024 Races on Sundays 1000 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1130 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1330 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors. 1500 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors.
Autumn Series	18 th August 2024 – 20 th October 2024 except 13 th October Races on Sundays 1000 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1130 – General Handicap Race approx. 1 hour long 1330 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors. 1500 – Fleet Race approx. 1 hour long. Separate start for Bronze fleet and juniors.
Note that 1000 Series Class Racing will also be held on the date of the ARC Bowl	
Ladies' Hot Series	Aggregate Score of the first afternoon start in the Spring, Summer and Autumn Series The Series is open only to female helms. The winner will be awarded the Ladies' Hot Series Trophy, donated by Alakazam Ltd
Early Summer Evening Series	Races on Wednesday evenings. 24 th April 2024 – 19 th June 2024 1900 - One Fleet Race with a separate start for Bronze and Junior sailors.
Late Summer Evening Series	Races on Wednesday evenings. 26 th June 2024 – 21 st August 2024 1900 - One Fleet Race with a separate start for Bronze and Junior sailors.
Civil Service Cup	The Civil Service Cup is awarded to the helm placed first in the Silver Fleet on the aggregate score of the Early and Late Summer Evening Series.



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Dennis Cooke Trophy	The Dennis Cooke Trophy is awarded to the helm placed first in the Bronze Fleet on the aggregate score of the Early and Late Summer Evening Series.
Juniors' Racing	Will be combined with Bronze Fleet racing. Racing is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 st August of the current year.

6. Outline of Special Events

In Memoriam Trophy	1 st April 2024 90-minute Pursuit race starting at 1130 followed by casual sailing
Anniversary Trophy	6 th May 2024 90-minute Pursuit race starting at 1130 followed by casual sailing
Jubilee Jug	27 th May 2024 90-minute Pursuit race starting at 1130 followed by casual sailing
Match Race	22 nd June 2024, Summer Solstice weekend Match Racing for single class boats over a short course. 1400 start
Solstice Race	22 nd June 2024, Summer Solstice weekend Handicap race 2100 start to 2300 Open only to two-crew boats with teams of four or more people. Crews must sail four rounds and then hand over to other team members. The Race Officer may change the number of rounds. Each boat is to have port and starboard stay lights and a white light shining on its mainsail.
Ladies Helm	27 th July 2024 Three Handicap Races approx. 1 hour long – one discard 1130, 1330 and 1500 starts The Series is open only to female helms.
ARC Bowl	7 th July 2024 Three Handicap races approx. 1 hour long – one discard 1130, 1330 and 1500 starts. Races also count towards the Summer Series Note that 1000 General Handicap series racing will also be held



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August Trophy incorporating ILCA Cup	26 th August 2024 90-minute Pursuit race starting at 1130 followed by casual sailing
Trafalgar Trophy	19 th October 2024 6 x 20 minute races, 3 back-to-back @ 1000, further 3 back-to-back @ 1300, best 4 to count.
Lottery Pot	27 th October 2024 120-minute Pursuit Race starting at 1000
Barclays Bucket	27 th October 2024 General Handicap race starting at 1330
Commodores' Whiskey Race/ Rum Do	Boxing Day 2024 Handicap Race (All Classes) starting at 1130
Ice Breaker Trophy	New Year's Day 2025 90-minute Pursuit race starting at 1130

7. Other Events and Awards

Chile Plate	A charity event for Junior sponsorship fundraising or similar to be run in conjunction with any of the Spring, Summer or Autumn series. 1130, 1330 and 1500 races. This event may be sailed more than once per year.
ILCA Cup	Awarded to the first ILCA in the August Trophy event.
Denbigh Cup	Awarded to the first helm in the Junior Open Day race This race is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 st August of the current year.
Chaton Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded to the member who has given rise to the "Most Schadenfreude". A speech is mandatory.
William Lyman Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved senior helm.
Phil Lyon Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved junior helm.



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Rear Commodore's Cup	A discretionary trophy awarded for outstanding contribution to the Club
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