



## **HAVERSHAM SAILING CLUB**

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**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**for**  
**CLUB RACE SERIES**  
**and**  
**TROPHY EVENTS**



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## DEFINITIONS

### 1. Fast Handicap Fleet

Boats racing in a Fast Handicap Series that have a PY lower than a Laser. (Current PY 1099)

### 2. Slow Handicap Fleet

Boats racing in a Slow Handicap Series that have a PY the same or higher than a Laser. (Currently 1098)

### 3. Helm / Boat

- 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.
- 3.2. A boat with a choice of rig (e.g. a Laser) 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.

### 4. Handicap System

- 4.1. The Portsmouth Yardstick, as notified by the RYA, or official club numbers are used to determine corrected time.
- 4.2. The Committee reserves the right to use CNs (Club Numbers) as allowed by the Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme.
- 4.3. Handicap numbers in use are displayed on the official club notice board, which is located in the corridor outside the changing rooms.
- 4.4. Personal handicapping systems may be introduced for future series.
- 4.5. To this end, lap times are to be recorded for all handicap and class racing.
- 4.6. Average Lap Racing will be used for all club racing (even if in the same Class), except for pursuit races.
- 4.7. Race durations shall be as defined in sections 5, 6 and 7..

## 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.
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.

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 Dennis Cooke, Civil Service Cup, Early Risers', Ice Maiden, Winter Willie, Weatherhead, Frostbite, Icicle, Frostbite and Ladies' 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 not be applied until the end of the Series.

3.2.6. In a Series covering more than two days, the OODs, SBCs, SUPs and MKCs will be given the average score of all races sailed by them (other than DNCs) in the series. 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 Dennis Cooke, Civil Service Cup, Early Risers', Ice Maiden, Winter Willie, Weatherhead, Frostbite, Icicle, Frostbite and Ladies' 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.

PN Ratings are used to calculate corrected time.

Corrected time = (Actual Time / (PH / 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, PN Ratings are used to calculate corrected time.

Corrected time = (Actual Time / (PH / 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: 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. Rookie Fleet

The Rookie Fleet consists of any helm in his or her first year of racing at any club.

### 4.3.4. Bronze Fleet

The Bronze Fleet consists of any helm not in his or her first year of sailing at any club and not having qualified for the Silver or Gold Fleet.

### 4.3.5. Silver Fleet

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

### 4.3.6. Gold Fleet

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

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

### 4.3.7. 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, i.e.- 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 Portsmouth Yardstick 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.



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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 1<sup>st</sup> Position will be awarded if one boat qualifies for a series.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> Position will be awarded if two boats qualify for a series.

A 3<sup>rd</sup> Position will be awarded if three boats qualify for a series.

Additionally, a prize will be awarded to the first-placed qualifying Junior helm (and crew, if applicable) in each of the 10h00 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](#). All times are actual start times and race durations are 60 minutes unless stated otherwise.



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<b>Winter series</b>	Normally from the 1 <sup>st</sup> week after the start of daylight saving time to the new year. 11.30 45 minute general handicap (all classes) single start followed by 45 minute Fleet racing with separate start for Bronze Fleet
<b>Midwinter Series</b>	Normally from the New Year until the end of daylight saving time. 11.30 45 minute General Handicap (All classes) single start followed by 45 minute Fleet racing with separate start for Bronze Fleet and juniors
<b>Ice Maiden Series</b>	Aggregate Score of the second start in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to female helms.
<b>Winter Willie Series</b>	Aggregate Score of the second start in the Winter and Midwinter Series' for the Gold Fleet.
<b>Weatherhead Series</b>	Aggregate Score of both starts in the Winter and Midwinter Series' The Series is open only to two-handed boats.
<b>Eric Hine Trophy</b>	Aggregate Score of the second start in the Winter and Midwinter Series for the Bronze Fleet
<b>Icicle Series</b>	Aggregate Score of the 11.30 start in the Winter and Midwinter Series
<b>Frostbite Series</b>	Aggregate Score of the second start in the Winter and Midwinter Series' for the Silver Fleet
<b>Spring Series</b>	Starts as daylight saving time ends 10h00 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 11h30 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 13h30 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets
<b>Summer Series</b>	From early-June to late-August 10h00 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 11h30 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 13h30 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets
<b>Autumn Series</b>	From late-August to the start of daylight saving time. 10h00 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 11h30 Series Class Racing: General Handicap (All classes) 13h30 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze and Rookie Fleets
<b>Note</b> that 10h00 Series Class Racing will also be held on the dates of the ARC Bowl and Barclays Bucket events.	



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<b>Ladies' Hot Series</b>	Aggregate Score of the 11h30 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
<b>Spring Evening Series</b>	From early-April to late-May. 19h00 Wednesday Fleet Racing, 18h.30 in April Combined start for Gold and Silver Fleets, separate start for Bronze Fleet
<b>Summer Evening Series</b>	From late-May to mid July 19h.00 Wednesday Fleet Racing Combined start for Gold and Silver Fleet, separate start for Bronze Fleet
<b>Twilight Series</b>	From mid-July to mid-September 19h00 Wednesday Fleet Racing, 18h.30 in September Combined start for Gold and Silver Fleet, separate start for Bronze Fleet
<b>Civil Service Cup</b>	The Civil Service Cup is awarded to the helm placed first in the Silver Fleet on the aggregate score of the Spring and Summer Evenings and Twilight Series.
<b>Dennis Cooke Trophy</b>	The Dennis Cooke Trophy is awarded to the helm placed first in the Bronze Fleet on the aggregate score of the Spring and Summer Evenings and Twilight Series.
<b>Buccaneers' Racing</b>	Held from April to mid September Race starting 18.30 except September races starting at 18.00 Racing is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 <sup>st</sup> August of the current year.

### 6. OUTLINE OF SPECIAL EVENTS

<b>Commodores' Whiskey Race/ Rum Do</b>	11h30 Boxing Day Handicap Race (All Classes)
<b>Ice Breaker Trophy</b>	11h30 New Years' Day 90 minute Pursuit Race
<b>Anniversary Trophy</b>	Held on late-May Bank Holiday Monday. Three 20 minute races held back to back starting at 12h.00





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<b>Jubilee Jug</b>	Held on early-May Bank Holiday. Three 20 minute races held back to back starting at 12h.00
<b>Ladies Helm</b>	Held on a Saturday in mid-June. Three Handicap Races – one discard 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts The Series is open only to female helms.
<b>Match Race</b>	Held on the Saturday of the Summer Solstice weekend Match Racing for single class boats over a short course. 14h00 start
<b>Solstice Race</b>	Held on the Saturday of the Summer Solstice weekend Handicap race 21h00 start to 00h00 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.
<b>ARC Bowl</b>	Held in early-July Three race Handicap Series – one discard 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts
<b>August Trophy</b>	August Bank Holiday Three 20 minute races held back to back starting at 12h.00
<b>Trafalgar Trophy</b>	Held on the Saturday closest to 21 <sup>st</sup> October 180-minute Pursuit Race 10H30 START

<b>Barclays Bucket</b>	Held on the Sunday between the Autumn and Winter Series 11h30 General Handicap race
<b>Lottery Pot</b>	Held in the afternoon after the Barclays Bucket. 13h30 start 120-minute Pursuit Race.
<b>In Memorium Trophy</b>	Held on Easter Monday. Four 20 minute races held back to back starting at 11h.00



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### 7. OTHER EVENTS & AWARDS

<b>Chile Plate</b>	A charity event to be run in conjunction with any of the spring, summer or autumn series. 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 races. This event may be sailed more than once per year.
<b>Chaton Trophy</b>	A discretionary trophy awarded to the member who has given rise to the "Most Schadenfreude". A speech is mandatory.
<b>William Lyman Trophy</b>	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved senior helm.
<b>Phil Lyon Trophy</b>	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved junior helm.
<b>Denbigh Cup</b>	Held in September. 2 Handicap races held back to back 1 <sup>st</sup> race starting at 10.30. This race is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 <sup>st</sup> August of the current year.
<b>Laser Cup</b>	Awarded to the first Laser in the August Trophy event.