Cransley Sailing Club





Notice of Race - NOR Comet Association Championships

<u>Cransley Sailing Club</u> Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th June 2025

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Organising Authority is Cransley Sailing Club.
- 1.2. The event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028.
- 1.3. Competitors should note that Cransley Sailing Club and the Comet Class Association implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter.

2. Entries

- 2.1. Pre-entry is online only via <u>Web Collect</u> by 14th June 2025. Cransley SC are unable to accept entries after this date or on the day. Go to CSC <u>WebCollect</u> to book your place at this two-day sailing event and to book your tickets to the Barn Dance & Hog Roast social on Saturday night.
- 2.2. The entry fee for this event is £45. 18's and under £35, £5 of which will be given to the Comet Association for the purchase of prizes etc.
- 2.3. Those competitors under the age of 18 at the time of the event are required to have their parent/guardian's consent to take part.
- 2.4. The event is open to all boats of the Comet Class (with Standard, Xtra, White Xtra or Mino rig) whose helms are members of the Comet Class Association at the time of the event.
- 2.5. Helms may join the Comet Class Association on the day of the event. The amount to be paid depends on the chosen membership category. For example it costs £11 for Associate Membership, entitling participation in just this Associate Championship.
- 2.6. Competitors must declare on the first day of the event to the Race Officer at Cransley SC which of the four rigs (Standard, Xtra, White Xtra and Mino) they wish to sail, and they must stay with the same rig throughout the two-day event. Rigs with reefing capabilities are allowed to reef/un-reef during the event.
- 2.7. If you are bringing a guest refreshments can be booked for them via WebCollect

3. Schedule of races

- 3.1. The intention is to sail 5 races.
- 3.2. Saturday 28th June Races 1, 2 and 3
 - 3.2.1. Gates open 08:30.
 - 3.2.2. Briefing 11:15.
 - 3.2.3. The warning signal for race 1 shall be no earlier than 11:55.
 - 3.2.4. Race 1, followed by lunch.
 - 3.2.5. The time of the warning signal for race 2 will be communicated on the day.
 - 3.2.6. Races 2 and 3 will be sailed back-to-back.
 - 3.2.7. Tiffin will be served after race 3 at approximately 5pm.
- 3.3. Sunday 29th June Races 4 and 5
 - 3.3.1. Gates open 08:30.
 - 3.3.2. A briefing will be held at 10:00.



- 3.3.3. The warning signal for race 4 shall be no earlier than 10:25.
- 3.3.4. Races 4 and 5 will be sailed back-to-back. Followed by lunch and prizegiving.
- 3.3.5. No warning signal on Sunday 11th will be made later than 12:25.
- 3.4. In the event of a forecast for bad weather the race committee may vary the above schedule. This will be communicated to all competitors during the event briefing.

4. Sailing Instructions

- 4.1. Sailing instructions are published on the Cransley SC WebCollect page.
- 4.2. Course to be sailed will be given out at the briefing at Cransley SC.

5. Scoring System

- 5.1. The Low Point system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 5.2. Rule A5.3 will apply.
- 5.3. Association Championships: (Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th June)
 - 5.3.1. Two races are required to constitute a series.
 - 5.3.2. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total score of his/her races.
 - 5.3.3. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of his/her race scores excluding his/her worst score.

6. Post-Race Penalties

The Post-Race Penalty, Advisory Meeting and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

7. Prizes

- 7.1. Association Championships prizes will be awarded for:
 - 7.1.1. 1st 4 places
 - 7.1.2. Ancient Mariner (60 or over on 01/01/25)
 - 7.1.3. Veteran (45 or over on 01/01/25)
 - 7.1.4. Junior (18 or under on 01/01/25)
 - 7.1.5. Lady
 - 7.1.6. Newcomer
 - 7.1.7. Committee Prize (perseverance).
- 7.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Comet Association committee.

8. Catering

- 8.1. A light breakfast will be available on both Saturday and Sunday for a small charge.
- 8.2. A light lunch will be available on Saturday and Sunday.
- 8.3. Afternoon tea/tiffin will be available after the racing on Saturday.
- 8.4. Refreshments/food for non-sailors may be purchased via <u>WebCollect</u> for £15 per guest for both Saturday and Sunday.
- 8.5. Cransley SC can offer a pre-booked vegetarian option, but we are unable to cater for all dietary needs.
- 8.6. The sailor's entry fee includes lunch, tiffin on Saturday, teas and coffees on both days.



9. Boat drop off

9.1. The access gates will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 8.30am. If drop off is required on Friday, please contact Nigel Austin 07545 531331

10. Camping

10.1 Cransley is not set up for overnight camping, however if competitors have a campervan, they are welcome to park up in the car park overnight. Please contact Nigel Austin to book this 07545 531331.

11. Social

11.1. On Saturday night, 28th June a social evening has been organised which is a Barn Dance and Hog Roast. The event will commence at 7pm. Optional dress code is Country style. Please bring your own drinks and plastic glasses as we do not allow glass glasses on the foreshore for safety reasons. Tickets cost £20 per head and must be booked in advance via WebCollect.

12. Rights to use Names and Likenesses

12.1. Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

13. Risk Statement

- 13.1. Rule 3 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 safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances g)It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue.

14. Insurance

14.1. Boats are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims of at least £3,000,000.



15. Membership & Liability

- All visiting competitors and families will be deemed as visiting yachtsmen during the event and as such shall abide by both Club's rules and byelaws. Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.
- 14.2 We do not encourage dogs at the club, they are not permitted on the foreshore, the balcony or in the club house.

16. Data Protection

15.1 The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

17. Comet Class Captain Cransley Sailing Club

17.1. Cransley Sailing Club - Nigel Austin (Comet 875) – 07545 531331

