



2024 Ovington Inlands 16 & 17 March 2024

Pre event guidance

Firstly a big welcome to all of you for the 2024 Ovington Inlands.

Your team from Grafham for the weekend are:

Club Host	Andy Rhodes
PRO	John Aston
CRO Alpha course	Eric Joyce
CRO Bravo course	Peter Curtis
Club Office	Anna Aldridge (Sat), Coral Martin (Sun)
Coxswain	Reece Webb

Nathan Batchelor from Ovington will be here all weekend (he is sailing in a Flying Fifteen)

Entry System

Our apologies for the problems with online entry during this last week. WebCollect, who host our online entry system, scheduled a maintenance shutdown for Sunday only; however the site remained inaccessible until Wednesday afternoon. Even then we understand some people were having difficulty with on-line entry.

If you have been unable to enter on-line you can enter at the Club Office (2nd floor of the Clubhouse) from 0900 on Saturday morning

On arrival

If you have entered online successfully there is no requirement to register, unless your entry details have changed, in which case go the Club Office to let them know.

Camping and overnight

The Clubhouse toilets will be available over the weekend. There is also a Portaloo toilet for use on the East side of the clubhouse.

Event communications

The Official Notice Board and all communication with the race office will be done electronically, so please bring your mobile device. The Notice Board can be accessed via <https://www.grafham.org/online-noticeboard.html>. Email for use during the event will be office@grafham.org

Wash down

Boats must be washed down before leaving the Club to comply with non-native species guidance. The main wash down facility is on the slipway to the west of the clubhouse.

Results

Will be published online as soon as possible after the completion of racing on the GWSC web site. The prize giving will be in the top bar on Sunday afternoon

Catering

The café on the ground floor of the Clubhouse will be open both days of the event. Breakfasts will be available from 0830 each day. A pasta dish, included in your entry, will be available after the conclusion of sailing on Saturday

The bar (top floor of the Clubhouse) will be open both days after sailing.

Safety & Security

Please do not walk through fenced off areas: they are fenced off for your safety.

Take particular care of the coxswains' slipway (East side of the Clubhouse in front of the coxswains' shed) as there are regular tractor movements on this slipway

The fire exits from the Clubhouse are marked – the fire muster point is on the grass of the roundabout on the land side of the Clubhouse.

Please do not leave valuables in the changing rooms: there are lockers (green) in the café area which take a £1 coin

Covid 19

There are no specific restrictions in place currently at the Cub. However, if you have symptoms of Covid-19 or have received a positive test result, please do not visit the Club.

Briefing

There will be a short competitor briefing at 1030 on Saturday morning in the Café on the ground floor of the Clubhouse. Everything you need to know however should be in these notes, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions or on the Online Notice Board.

Site map



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Race Area

This is likely to be the West end of the Lake for the Alpha course and the middle of the lake for the Bravo Course but will be confirmed on the Online Notice Board

Courses

These will be displayed on the Starboard side of the Committee Boat (see SI9.1). Make sure you check for a) changes between races and b) whether there are different courses set for each class

Starting

Please note that the Race Officer may use "P" (Pappa), "U" (Uniform) or Black as the preparatory flag atv his discretion.

Note the start sequence (SSI 12.1), and the minimum interval between starts (SI 6.4).

The expected order of starts is shown in the SIs (SI 6.2 and 6.3) but note that the RO has discretion to change this or to combine starts: keep an eye on the flags

Finishing

Alpha Course - Note that the finishing line is off the bow of the Committee boat, as described in the Addendum to the Sailing Instructions

Bravo Course – Note that the finishing line may be either off the Bow or the Stern of the Committee Boat depending on the course being sailed.

Sound signals at the finish are optional: we will most likely signal only the first three finishers in each class

When approaching the leeward gate 2S/2P or 4S/4P the leading boats in particular should be alert to the possibility of a shortened course, as signalled in accordance with SI14.3.1

Trash

Carry your own personal supply of food, drink and kit, you will not be able to deposit your dry bags nor trash in the safety boats.

First race of the day

Our aim is to start on time on both days: please allow adequate time for registration (if you have not already entered) and launching; take into account the number of competitors trying to launch and plan accordingly

John Aston

PRO

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