

## Ovington Inlands

### Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 March 2026

### Pre-Event Guidance

Welcome to Grafham Water for the Ovington Inlands.

Your team from Grafham for the weekend is:

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| Club Host and PRO: | John Aston                                 |
| RO Fast Track:     | Eric Joyce                                 |
| RO Slow Track:     | John Aston (Sat)<br>Peter Curtis (Sun)     |
| Club Office:       | Heather Dance<br>Izzy Fuff (Sun)           |
| Coxswains:         | Amer Aboul-Housn (Sat)<br>Max Ocroft (Sun) |

#### **Car & Trailer Parking:**

The main gate will be open all weekend. If camping, and arriving late on Friday evening, please go to your assigned camper van slot. On Saturday please follow the instructions of the Car Parking Marshalls on arrival.



## **Registration**

You need only go to the Club Office (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Clubhouse) if you have amendments to your entry.

## **Event communications:**

The Official Notice Board is online. The Notice Board is at <https://www.grafham.org/online-noticeboard.html>. Email for use during the event will be [office@grafham.org](mailto: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 (link on online notice board). 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. The bar (top floor of the Clubhouse) will be open for the meal on Saturday evening and for the Prizegiving on Sunday. There are drinking water taps on the east side of the Clubhouse (ground floor), inside and outside

## **Safety & Security:**

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

Take particular care of the coxswains' slipway (Slipway 3 - 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

## **Competitor Briefing**

There will be a competitor briefing at 1030 on Saturday morning in the cafe. 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.

## **SAILING**

### **Wet Suits/Dry Suits**

Wet suits or dry suits must be worn

### **Launching:**

Our aim is to start on time on both days: please allow adequate time for launching and sailing out to the Race Area; take into account the number of competitors trying to launch and plan accordingly. K1s: we suggest you launch from slipway 4 which has a jetty on its West side

### **Race Area:**

This is likely to be the West end of the Lake for the Fast Track, and the Centre for the Slow Track but this will be confirmed on the Online Notice Board and at the Competitor Briefing. To aid identification before the first race, the Committee Boats may display the relevant Class Flags (to be removed prior to the first Start sequence)

### **Starting:**

Orange will be displayed a minimum of 1 minute before the first warning signal (SI 6.5)

Note the Start sequence is 3-2-1-GO

There will be a gap of at least 1 minute between a Start and the Warning Signal for the subsequent start

Note that start order may change between races.

### **Courses**

Note that for both tracks the first mark has a chequered band (to distinguish from Mark 2)

Note that the windward mark spacer ("S" - dan with white flag) must always be left to PORT after rounding mark 1, on all courses

**Finishing:**

Note finish lines:

if sailing Windward/Leeward off the bow of the Committee Boat (blue flag dan)

if sailing OL or IL off the stern of the Committee Boat (yellow flag dan)

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

Try and note the numbers of boats you finish close to, for use in the event of queries

John Aston

PRO