

BRITISH ISLES KEELBOAT TEAM RACING LEAGUE

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority (OA):
Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club

East Patch, Clyde, Scotland
Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st July 2019
Saturday 20th: HW 1434
Sunday 21st: HW 1511

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by:
 - 1.1.1. The Rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix D, Team Racing.
 - 1.1.2. The prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2. The Rules of the Sonar Class will not apply.
- 1.3. RRS 17 is deleted.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Each competing club may enter two teams, one of which may be a Masters' Team.
- 2.2. Crews will consist of members, or associates, of any category of the yacht club that the Team is representing.
- 2.3. Each Team shall have at least one crew member of each gender.
- 2.4. The age requirements of the Masters' Team are as follows:
 - 2.4.1. The Helm shall be aged 45 years or older on the first day of the Event.
 - 2.4.2. There are no restrictions on the age of the remainder of the Masters Team.
- 2.5. Completed Entry Forms shall be returned to the Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club Office with the £320 Entry Fee by midday 5th July 2019.
- 2.6. Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £250 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. If the OA estimates that the total damage attributable to the team exceeds the deposit, the team will be required to deposit a further £250 in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.
- 2.7. In the case of the event being oversubscribed the OA will either confirm the acceptance of an entry, or inform the entrant that they have been placed on the Waiting List or inform the entrant that the event is over-subscribed and return the entry fee. In the case of an entrant placed on the Waiting List who cannot later be accommodated, the OA will return the entry fee. If a confirmed entrant subsequently withdraws from the event, the entry fee will not be returned.

3. FORMAT AND SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 3.1. The format of racing will be two-boat team racing in Sonars provided by the OA with crews of up to four persons in each boat. Spinnakers may be used.
- 3.2. Registration will take place at the RNCYC Clubhouse between 08.00 and 08:30 on Saturday 20th July. Teams must complete registration before going afloat.
- 3.3. The Mandatory First Briefing will be given at 08:45 on Saturday 20th July in the RNCYC clubhouse.
- 3.4. The first Warning Signal will be stated in the Regatta Sailing Instructions (RSIs). Subsequent starts will occur as soon as practicable after the previous race.

3.5. No Warning Signal will be made after 15:30 on the last day.

4. SCORING SYSTEM

4.1. Event Scoring will be in accordance with BIKTRL Standard Sailing Instructions (SSIs) Addendum D.

4.2. BIKTRL Series Scoring will be as follows:

4.2.1. Teams will be awarded ranking points as follows:

- (a) 1st 100 points.
- (b) 2nd 90 points.
- (c) 3rd 80 points, etc.

4.2.2. Teams that sail with a gender ratio of 50:50 will receive a 15% ranking points bonus.

4.2.3. The winner of The Royal Thames Cup and The Royal Thames Masters' Trophy will be the eligible team with the highest aggregate points over their best three events.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1. Copies of the BIKTRL Standard Sailing Instructions (SSIs) are available from the Club's Website, <http://www.mcy.com/event-information>.

5.2. Copies of the Regatta Sailing Instructions (RSIs) will be available online at <http://www.mcy.com/event-information> one week before the event, and in the RNCYC bar on the evening preceding the Event.

5.3. Changes to the RRS are listed in the BIKTRL SSIs Addendum C, with local changes in the RSIs.

6. RACE AREA

6.1. The Racing Area will be delineated in the RSIs.

7. PRIZES

7.1. The BIKTRL Series Trophies will be presented at the RTYC Annual Prizegiving Dinner in October 2019. The Trophies are as follows:

7.1.1. The prize for the Open Competition, for which the Masters' Team are eligible, is The Royal Thames Cup.

7.1.2. The prize for the Masters' Competition is The Royal Thames Masters' Trophy.

7.2. The Winning Team of this Event will be presented a prize.

7.3. Regatta Prizegiving will take place as soon as possible following racing on 21st July in the RNCYC clubhouse.

8. SAFETY

8.1. An adequate Personal Flotation Device (PFD) of at least 50N buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat (e.g. a buoyancy aid). Crews are required to provide their own PFDs.

9. RISK STATEMENT

9.1. Rule 4 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 inherently involves an element of Risk.

9.2. 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 if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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 for the event.

NOTICE OF RACE ENDS

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Friday 19th July 2019

1930 for 2000 Evening meal available at RNCYC. Dress: Casual. Booking is required.

Saturday 20th July 2019

1930 for 2000 Buffet dinner available at RNCYC. Dress: Casual. Booking is required.