

NOTICE of RACE

SNAKEBITE

Notts County Sailing Club
20th – 22nd February 2015

1 INTRODUCTION

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by Nottingham University. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is University of Nottingham Sailing Club.

3 RULES

- 3.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 3.2 Races will be umpired.
- 3.3 The UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These change some rules in the RRS; they are available on the UKTRA web site (www.teamracing.org) and at registration.
- 3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

- 4.1 Entries are invited from university sailing clubs, including alumni teams, and RYA affiliated clubs and organisations.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is the 12th December 2014
- 4.3 The entry fee will be £285 per team. Social tickets are not included in the entry fee and will cost £15 a head. This will include lunch on both days and evening socials.
- 4.4 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £300 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value 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.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The format of the event will be a round robin
- 5.2 Registration will take place at 0830 on the 21st February
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at 0930 on the 21st February
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at 0957

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

7 RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE

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

8 PRIZES

These will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.