

NOTICE of RACE

Nottingham Snakebite 2024 Notts County SC February 10th-11th



1 INTRODUCTION

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

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is The 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).
- 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. Entries can be made through an online form, accessible via the Facebook event page.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is 9th February 2023
- 4.3 The entry fee will be £320 per team rising to £350 after the 6th January 2022. This does not include the price of social and lunch tickets, which will be purchased online prior to the event. Entry will not be confirmed until payment has been received and payments must be made by the 9th February. Said payment will be non-refundable unless a replacement team can be found.
- 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. It is required that teams sign a damage deposit contract before they are able to 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 Registration will take place between 1800 and 2000 at the Water's Edge on the 9th February or at 0800 on the 10th February at Notts County Sailing Club.
- 5.2 There will be a briefing at 0900 on the 10th February at Notts County Sailing Club.
- 5.3 The first warning signal will be at 0927.

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

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



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.
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarize 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.

7.2 When the boats are provided by the competitors, the boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000 pounds.

8 PRIZES

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

9 CANCELLATION

The organising authority reserves the right to cancel the event. The entry fee and any deposits will be refunded less any unavoidable costs.

10 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event competitors automatically grant to the organising authority the right in perpetuity to make use and show at their discretion any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.