

Spinnaker Sailing Club
NOTICE of RACE
BUSA Summer Team Racing Championships
12th – 14th July 2021

1 INTRODUCTION

This event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by BUSA. The event shall be held at Spinnaker Sailing Club, Ivy Lane, Ringwood, BH24 3LY. Each boat shall be sailed by 2 people.

2 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority is the British University Sailing Association (BUSA).

3 RULES

- 3.1 The Event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2021-24 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules. These can be found [here](#).
- 3.2 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 website (www.teamracing.org) and at registration
- 3.3 Races will be umpired.
- 3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied

4 TEAMS

- 4.1 Each team shall consist of six persons.
- 4.2 The members of a team should not change during the Championship, except as allowed by NoR 5.3 and Appendix C.
- 4.3 Where more than one team is entered by a BUSA Member Club, each team shall be identified by a colour.

5 ENTRY, ELIGIBILITY AND DEPOSIT

- 5.1 Entries are welcomed from all BUSA member clubs, consisting of current and graduating students. Each team shall have 3 helms and 3 crews. Each team shall have at least two men and two women.
- 5.2 The closing date for the receipt of entries and payment of entry fee is the 11th June 2021, and selected teams will be notified by the 14th June 2021.
- 5.3 There will be up to 24 teams at this event. Should the event be oversubscribed, teams shall be selected as follows. Each university first team will be selected. Following this, we will select all university second teams, third teams, and so on. If we reach event capacity before we are able to select all university Xth (e.g. 3rd, 4th) teams, we prioritise those Xth teams that applied earliest.
- 5.4 Teams shall name a team captain who will be the first point of contact at the event.
- 5.5 The entry fee shall be £550 per team.
- 5.6 The entry fee should be paid to:
 - British Universities Sailing Association
 - Sort Code: 40-42-16
 - Account Number: 51164139Use your team name as the payment reference.

- 5.7 Damage Deposits: 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.

6 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The event is likely to be divided into 3 stages. The first stage will be a round robin. The second stage will be a flighted round robin, in gold, silver, and bronze fleets. The top 6 teams from the gold fleet round robin will progress to the final, knockout stage, along with the top 2 teams from the silver fleet round robin. Further information on the event format will be available at registration.
- 6.2 Unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions, registration will take place at 08:15 under the Spinnaker Sailing Club shelter.
- 6.3 Unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions, the briefing will take place at 08:45 outside the Spinnaker Sailing Club clubhouse.
- 6.4 Unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions, the first warning signal will be at 09:27.
- 6.5 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the Event Page on the BUSA website.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the BUSA website.

7 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

RRS 40 is changed to: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This rule applies at all times while afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.

8 PRIZES

These will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. Further information on prizes will be available at registration.

9 ADVERTISING

- 9.1 In accordance with the World Sailing Advertising Code, all advertising on supplied equipment will be made available to the Organizing Authority.
- 9.2 Competitors may be requested to wear bibs.

10 PROVISION OF HELPERS

The Organizing Authority may require a team to provide one or more non-racing volunteer(s) to attend the event. Volunteers must be prepared to assist in the organisation of racing and be equipped to go afloat. The Organizing Authority will endeavour to provide the Team Captain with at least two weeks' notice of this requirement.

11 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

- 11.1 When required supplied media personnel, equipment or dummies shall be carried on board whilst racing.
- 11.2 Any member of a Crew:
- a) May be required to wear provided media devices that may record, transmit or provide two way communication.
 - b) Will make themselves available for interviews when requested by the HOA or the SOA.

12 RISK STATEMENT AND INSURANCE

- 12.1 A boat and team are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 12.2 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 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.
- 12.3 It is the responsibility of all institutions and participants to consider any known medical conditions or disabilities before entering or competing this event. If you know or are aware of a medical condition that might interfere with you exercising or participating safely, please consult a medical professional before participating. All participants assume full responsibility

for any, and all, injuries, losses and damages that are incurred while participating in the events.

- 12.4 BUSA will not be seeking any medical declaration this year. It is, of course, the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that they are fit to compete. Any competitor who has a particular issue about which they wish to notify the Event Director/Organiser, should ask to do so at Registration on arrival at that event.
- 12.5 All teams must adhere to all COVID procedures detailed by Organizing Authority. Failure to do so may result in a team being removed from the event.

13 CANCELLATION AND COVID-19

- 13.1 In addition to the ability of the Race Committee to abandon or postpone racing, the Organizing Authority may cancel all or any part of the event. The entry fee for a cancelled part of the event will be refunded; less any costs already incurred.
- 13.2 All competitors must adhere to both government COVID-19 guidance and guidance released in our COVID Risk Prevention Measures which will be available from June 11th.
- 13.3 Competitors must not attend if they have symptoms of COVID-19.
- 13.2 Participants shall be responsible for adhering to any COVID-19 social distancing measures and testing procedures that may be put in place at any time by the Organizing Authority, and should frequently check the BUSA website event page to find updates and instructions. Failure to comply may result in a team's removal from the event. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends rule 60.1(a).