

Liverpool University (LUSC) & University of Manchester (UMSC) Sailing Clubs
The Big Lash
12th-13th March 2022
Notice of Race

1 INTRODUCTION

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

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authorities are LUSC and UMSC

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.

3.5 While attending and competing in the event, any competitor will be a temporary member of West Kirby Sailing Club and must obey the relevant rules and regulations.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

4.1 Entries are invited from teams of 6 people. Entries will be accepted in the order they are received with payment. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse entry to any team without specifying a reason.

4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is the **28th February 2022**.

4.3 The entry fee will be **£310** per team.

4.4 If a team pulls out of the event after the **28th February 2022**, and neither they nor the Organising Authority are able to find a replacement team, they may not be refunded the full entry fee.

4.5 No more than 24 entries will be accepted. An entry will have been accepted when a signed entry form and valid payment covering the entry have been received. All entries will be contacted by email after payment has been received.

All entries after the 24 complete entries will be added to a waiting list and will be notified of this. Entries will thereafter be accepted in the order of when full payment is received.

- 4.6 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. This will be via a signed form. 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 available at registration.
- 5.2 Registration will take place in Liverpool on the 11th March 2020 from 6pm - venue is to be confirmed.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at 09:15 at WKSC on Saturday 12th March.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at 09:57.

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.

9 PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.