

University of London Sailing Club The London Duck 23rd / 24th March 2019



Notice of Race (NOR) -London Duck 2019

1. Introduction

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

2. Organising Authority

The organising authority is the University of London Sailing Club.

3. Rules

- 3.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 3.2. The 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 rule 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

4. Entries and Damage Deposit

- 4.1. Entries are can be from registered universities and/or sailing clubs.
- 4.2. The 'Early Bird' entry closing date will be Friday the 15th of February 2019. 'Late Entry' closing date is the 11th of March 2019.
- 4.3. The 'Early Bird' Entry Fee will be £260 per team. 'Late Entry' Entry fee will be £295 per team.
- 4.4 If a University and/or Sailing club wishes to enter more than one team, all second team entries will be £230. and third team entries will be £195.
- 4.5. Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £200 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail.
- 4.6. If the organising authority estimates that the total damage attributable to the team exceeds the deposit, the team will be required to deposit a further £200 in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams.
- 4.7. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage within the races.

5. Event format and schedule

- 5.1. The format of the event will be round-robin followed by semi-finals and a final if the organizing authority feel conditions permit.
- 5.2. Registration will take place from 8.30am at BTYC Sailsports club (Welsh Harp Reservoir) on Saturday 23rd March 2019. 5.3. There will be a briefing at 9.30am at BTYC Sailsports club (Welsh Harp Reservoir) on Saturday 23rd March 2019.
- 5.3. The earliest warning signal time will be 0957 for Saturday the 23rd of March.
- 5.4 Any changes to the event schedule or format will be posted on the club notice board. These are made at the organising authorities discretion.

6. Buoyancy and clothing

- 6.1. Adequate personal buoyancy and wet or dry suit shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.
- 6.2. In accordance with WHSC By-Laws, all personnel shall also wear a personal flotation device on the pontoon.

7. Disclaimer of liability, 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.
- 7.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least 3,000,000 pounds.

8. Prizes

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

The entry form is available on the BUSA website, Event Facebook Page, or by emailing university of londonsc@gmail.com