



The University of Sheffield Sailing Club:

## The Sheffield Shuffle

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2011

### 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 authority is The University of Sheffield 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 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 website ([www.teamracing.org](http://www.teamracing.org)) and at registration. In accordance with rule 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

#### 4. ENTRIES AND DEPOSITS

- 4.1 Entries are invited from University, Alumni, and Club teams.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2011.
- 4.3 The entry fee will be £284 per team.
- 4.4 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment, and property in any incident. A deposit of £200 will be required at registration and before a team may sail. If the organising authority estimates that the total damage attributable to the team exceeds the deposit, the team will be required to make a further deposit 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 followed by a semi-finals and a final.
- 5.2 Registration will take place from **19:30** on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of November (location and details to be confirmed), and **08:00** on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November at Pennine Sailing Club.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at **09:00** at Pennine Sailing Club on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at **09:30**.

## **6. BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING**

Adequate personal flotation devices and suitable clothing shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

## **7. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, INSURANCE**

- 7.1** A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 7.2** It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 7.3** 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 £3,000,000.
- 7.4** Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, umpires, patrol boats and beach masters.
- 7.5** The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

## **8. PRIZES**

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