

# NOTICE of RACE

## NOTTINGHAM SNAKEBITE

Notts County Sailing Club

24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017

### 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](http://www.teamracing.org)) and at registration.

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.

4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017

4.3 The entry fee will be £290 per team. Social tickets are not included in the entry fee and will cost £17 per person. This will include lunch on both days and evening socials.

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. 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.

4.5 In the unlikely event that our event should have to be cancelled, we would have to look at various costs to ensure the financial outcome of the event.

### 5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

5.1 The format of the event will be selected by the Race Officer

5.2 Registration will take place at 0830 on the 25<sup>th</sup> February

5.3 There will be a briefing at 0900 on the 25<sup>th</sup> February

5.4 The first warning signal will be at 0927

### 6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices, wet or dry suits and adequate footwear shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat and on the pontoons. A wet or dry suit does not qualify as adequate personal floatation.

## **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.

