



NOTICE OF RACE
Brightlingsea Sailing Club
Fireball Open
Phantom Open
Laser Open

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June 2009
High Water at 16.23 & 17.04

1.0. Organising Authority:

Racing will be under the burgee of Brightlingsea Sailing Club & the relevant Class Associations.

2.0 Rules:

2.1. Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012,

2.2. Abridged extract from the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at sea, 1972:

"A boat shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway. A boat shall not cross a narrow channel or fairway if such crossing impedes the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway. The latter vessel may use five short and rapid blasts of her sound signal if she is in doubt as to the intention of a crossing boat."

The Brightlingsea Harbour Master has requested that boats do not fly spinnakers in the creek at any time.

3.0. Entries:

3.1. Entries should be submitted on the event Entry Form available on the Brightlingsea Sailing Club web site, the class association web sites or at registration on the Saturday and Sunday of the event (note 3.2).

3.2. The entrance fee is £30 for Fireball and £20 for Phantom and Laser.

3.3. The entrance fee will include meal tickets for the crew for the weekend consisting of a meal on Saturday evening. (Guests can Purchase Meal for £6)

3.4. Cheques to be made payable to Brightlingsea Sailing Club.

4.0. Registration:

4.1. Registration will take place at Brightlingsea Sailing Club from 09.00 on June 13th 2009.

5.0. Sailing Instructions:

5.1. Sailing instructions will be issued to each competitor upon Registration

6.0. Race Programme and Courses:

6.1. The racing will take place as follows with intention of holding 6 races in total : -

- Saturday 13th June: First start 12.30
- Sunday 14th June: First start 10.30

6.2. There will be 1 discard if three or more sailed otherwise all races will count.

6.3. All races will be held in the Colne Estuary. Competitors should ensure they allow sufficient time to reach the race area which may be some distance from the launch area.

6.4. Each day's races are scheduled to be sailed back-to-back.

6.5. A briefing will be held at approximately 11.00 on Saturday 13th June in the Clubhouse.



7.0. Identification and Acknowledgment of Risk:

7.1. Each owner/competitor is entirely responsible for their boat's own safety and the safety of its crew, whether the boat is afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

7.2. It is for each owner/competitor to decide whether the boat and its crew are fit to sail in the conditions in which it might find itself. By launching or going to sea, the owner/competitor confirms that the boat is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

7.3. Under items 7.1 and 7.2, where applicable, parents or guardians of competitors under 16 years old will be required to take full responsibility for their dependents throughout the event and to sign the parental permission form provided at registration.

7.4. Each owner/competitor is responsible for ensuring the boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather and that the crew has sufficient experience and fitness to withstand such weather.

8.0. Liability:

8.1. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of each owner/competitor 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' encompasses everyone helping to run the race and the event and include the Organising Authority, The Class Association, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, safety boats and beach masters.

8.2. The provision of safety boats does not relieve each owner/competitor of their responsibilities.

9.0. Scoring:

9.1. The series will be scored as provided in the Sailing Instructions provided at registration.

10.0. Social Programme

Friday 12th June – the bar will be open in the evening for early arrivals.

Saturday 13th June – Evening meal. The entrance fee will include meal tickets for the crew for the weekend consisting of a meal on Saturday evening. (Guests can Purchase Meal for £6)

11.0. Insurance:

11.1. All boats shall have Third Party Insurance cover to a minimum of £2,000,000.00 (two million pounds sterling).

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Web: www.sailbrightlingsea.com – full information on how to find the club, where to stay and where to park your boat is available on the site.