



**BRIGHTLINGSEA
SAILING CLUB**



BRIGHTLINGSEA SAILING CLUB
INTERNATIONAL MIRROR CLASS
National Championships

+ Regatta Fleet Event (Separate Event)

Thursday 1st June 2023 – Sunday 4th June 2023

Organised by Brightlingsea Sailing Club
in conjunction with the Class Association

BSC, Oyster Tank Road, Brightlingsea, Essex CO7 0BA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T shall apply
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times.
- 1.4 In the case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the SI's will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online and during registration on the official notice board, which will be located at the BSC Sail Management Centre. *There will be separate Sailing Instructions for the Regatta Fleet Event.*

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located outside the BSC Sail Management Centre.

3.2 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 **The National Championship Event** is open to all boats of the class that meet with the obligations of their Class Rules and their National Authority. See NOR 8

4.2 *The Regatta Fleet entries shall generally comply with the Mirror Class Rules but may not have a current measurement certificate. Coaching during racing from appointed coaches will be allowed in the Regatta Fleet.*

4.3 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the entry form available on the website.

4.4 Competitors in the *Regatta Fleet* have the option to move to the National Championship fleet up to 17.00 on 1st June 2023 by complying with all the requirements of the National Championship Fleet.

4.4 Competitors under the age of 18 shall submit a signed parent/guardian approval form at registration.

5. FEES

5.1 The Entry Fee per boat will be:

National Championships Before 1st May 2023 - £125
After 1st May 2023 - £175

Regatta Fleet Before 1st May 2023 - £75
After 1st May 2023 £100

5.2 Entries shall be made online at www.sailbrightlingsea.com

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display identification numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1

Day	Date	Event	Time
Thursday	1 st June	Registration	13.00 – 17.00
		Equipment Inspection	13.00 – 17.00
Friday	2nd June	3 Races	First start 11.00
	<i>Regatta Fleet</i>	<i>1 Race</i>	<i>Start as Per Sailing Instructions</i>
Saturday	3rd June	3 Races	First start 10.30
	<i>Regatta Fleet</i>	<i>1 Race</i>	<i>Start as Per Sailing Instructions</i>
Sunday	4 th June	2 Races	First start 10.30
	<i>Regatta Fleet</i>	<i>1 Race</i>	<i>Start as Per Sailing Instructions</i>

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- 7.2 Races will be sailed back-to-back.
National Championships: 8 Races are scheduled, with a maximum of 3 races per day.
Regatta Fleet: 3 Races are scheduled, with a maximum of 1 race per day.
- 7.3 No race will be started after 15.00 on Sunday 4th June.
- 7.4 The O.A. and/or the R.C. reserve the right to modify the programme due to weather conditions or other causes.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 National Championship boats shall:
Present a valid measurement certificate.
Shall have valid Class Association membership.
Sails which have been measured by an approved measurer before arrival at the event.
- 8.2 The Organisers may weigh, measure or inspect any boat and or her equipment and sails before, during or after the races.
- 8.3 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.
- 8.4 All boats shall display on their mainsails their boats registered sail number and with which they were entered, except by prior permission of the Race Committee. (See also above).
- 8.5 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity (DP)

9. VENUE

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.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1 The course to be sailed will be a combination of reaching and/or windward/leeward legs.
- 10.2 Spreader/offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Rule 'Appendix P' (Special Procedures for RRS 42) shall apply.
- 11.2 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.

12. SCORING – NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 12.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.3 When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 12.4 When 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

REGATTA FLEET

- 12.5 *2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.*
- 12.6 *When 2 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.*
- 12.7 *When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.*

13. DATA PROTECTION

- 13.1 The club's data and confidentiality policy can be found at <https://www.sailbrightlingsea.com/club-info/data-privacy-policy-1>
- 13.2 The personal information you provide to the Organising 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 Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority, racingrulesofsailing.org, and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

15. RISK ASSESSMENT

Rule 3 of the RRS states "the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 while taking part in the event.
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether afloat or ashore.
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss 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.

N.B When applicable, parents or guardians of competitors under 18 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.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

Support boats shall register at the Sail Management Centre during registration and may be required to display a flag or sticker.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

18. TELEVISION AND PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS

- 18.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage – which may be taken by drone - or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.
- 18.2 **Drones at the Event:** All those who take part in the event as competitors as well as support crew or spectators agree to be overflowed by a drone or drones during the duration of the event, this includes your person and your property.

19. PRIZES

The prizes will be a combination of class trophies as applicable and prizes for at least the first 3 places. See Below:

20. FURTHER INFORMATION AND KEY CONTACTS

Club Contacts:

Brightlingsea Sailing Club,

Waterside, Oyster Tank Road, Brightlingsea, Essex CO7 0BA

Email: info@sailbrightlingsea.com vc sailing@sailbrightlingsea.com

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

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The British Open National Champion	Daily Mirror Trophy
Second place overall	Pioneer Cup
Third place overall	America Cup
Highest ranked lady helm	Proops Pot
Highest ranked helm & crew under 19* excluding overall winners	Arthur Vine Trophy
Highest ranked helm & crew under 15* (Silver fleet category) excluding overall winners	Harry Yule Smith Plate
Second highest ranked helm & crew under 15* (Silver fleet category) excluding overall winners	Mike Devonshire Trophy
Highest ranked helm & crew under 13* excluding overall winners	Hathi Plate
Highest ranked helm over 39**	Lucas Trophy
Highest ranked helm over 49**	1963 Trophy
Highest ranked Scottish boat	Aberdeen Trophy
Highest ranked Welsh boat	Gulf Cup
Best team (lowest aggregate score of the three highest ranked boats entered from the same club)	Fleet Shield
Highest ranked parent & offspring	Topaz Trophy
Highest ranked Devon or Cornwall helm & crew under 18*	Dyno-Rod Cup
Twenty-fifth place overall	Silver Jubilee Trophy
Lowest place overall having completed every race	Shavian Mug
Youngest helm** to have completed all races	Turbo Service International Plate
Youngest crew** to have completed all races	Super Crew Cup
Youngest combined helm** & crew** ages to have completed all races	MCA Shield
Highest ranked wooden boat	Ptwootle Trophy

Highest ranked single-hander	Bass Charrington Trophy
Winner of the Bronze fleet	Jan Grieg-Gran Plate
Winner of race 1	Marlow Rope Trophy
Winner of race 2	Cassandra's Cauldron
Winner of race 3	Jeckells Mirror Trophy
Winner of race 4	Peter Wilson Trophy
Winner of race 5	City of Plymouth Trophy
Winner of race 6	National Westminster Trophy
Winner of race 7	Abersoch Trophy
Winner of race 8	40 th Anniversary Trophy

[Additional separate trophies will be presented for the Regatta Fleet Event](#)