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Haversham Sailing Club

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NOTICE OF RACE
for
CLUB RACE SERIES
and
TROPHY EVENTS

Effective from 30 October 2011



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1.0 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Class

A Class may be set up at the discretion of the Sailing Committee if there are more than 6 regular helms.

1.2 Helm / Boat

1.2.1 In a series, each boat will be counted as a different entry, unless the helm sails the same class of boat. Club boats used by different helms will be classed as a separate entry.

1.2.2 A boat with a choice of rig (e.g. a Laser, RS Vaneo, RS300) is counted as a separate class, except that a boat sailing with a smaller rig may be scored as the faster boat if it has been signed on as such.

1.3 Handicap System

1.3.1 The Portsmouth Yardstick, as notified by the RYA in document YR2, is used to determine corrected time.

1.3.2 The Committee reserves the right to use CNs (Club Numbers) as allowed by the Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme.

1.3.3 Handicap numbers in use are displayed on the official club notice board, which is located in the corridor outside the changing rooms.

1.3.4 Personal handicapping systems may be introduced for future series.

1.3.5 To this end, lap times are to be recorded for all handicap and class racing.

1.3.6 Average Lap Racing will be used for all club racing (even if in the same Class), except for pursuit races.

1.3.7 Race durations shall be as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

2.0 RYA RACING CHARTER

Competitors should note that Haversham Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book and on the official club notice board.

3.0 SCORING SYSTEM

3.1 Abbreviations

DNC	Did not start; did not come to the starting area.
DNS	Did not start (other than DNC and OCS)
OCS	Did not start; on course side of starting line.
DNF	Did not finish.
RAF	Retired after finishing.
DSQ	Disqualification
DNE	Disqualification, not discardable



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RDG	Redress granted
OOD	Race Officer (and Assistant Race Officer)
SBC	Safety Boat Crew
MKC	MK Cup and other absences authorised by the committee.
SUP	Bar and Galley Duty

3.2 Points

3.2.1 Points will be scored as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

3.2.2 Unless stated otherwise the number of discards allowed will be half the number of races sailed (rounded up) less one.

3.2.3 Except as detailed in 3.2.4 below, a helm must have competed in half the number of races sailed (rounded down) plus one to qualify for a series, as follows:-

No. of Races	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Discards	0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5
To Qualify	1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7

3.2.4 In the long winter series' (i.e.- the Early Risers', Ice Maiden, Winter Willie, Weatherhead, Frostbite, Icicle and Frostbite Series'), a helm must have competed in one third of the number of races sailed (rounded down) plus one to qualify for a series, as follows:-

No. of Races	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Discards	0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5
To Qualify	1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5

3.2.5 The qualification rules will not be applied until the end of the Series.

3.2.6 In a Series covering more than two days, the OODs, SBCs, SUPs and MKCs will be given the average score of all races sailed by them (other than DNCs) in the series. This will only apply to one boat / helm combination.

3.2.7 A helm may not take more than two average point scores in a series, unless authorised by the Sailing Committee.

3.2.8 Helms not "Signing On" may be classified as DNC by the Race Officer.

3.2.9 In club racing, the Race Officer may class a boat as DNF if it sails an incorrect course.

3.2.10 If there is an overall trophy for all classes in a series then there will be a single start.

3.2.11 Series Ties are resolved using RYA Appendix rules.

3.2.12 Aggregate points are the sum of points for two or more series.



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4.0 TYPES OF RACE

4.1 Handicap Race

Single Start, PN Ratings are used to calculate corrected time.

Corrected time = (Actual Time / (PH / 1000))

Average Lap times will be used for boats not completing the same number of rounds.

With average lap racing being used the start and finish line must be in the same position.

4.2 Class Racing

Each Class (Supernova, Laser and General Handicap) will be scored separately and will normally have its own start.

The starts may be merged at the discretion of the Race Officers, but a separate line should be used if a class has six or more boats.

4.3 Fleet Racing

The helm / boats will be split into Gold / Silver / Bronze Fleets.

This will normally be a single start but may be split at the discretion of the RO. There should be two starts if there are 6 or more Bronze Fleet starters.

The Fleets may also be defined by Class for scoring purposes, e.g.- Laser, Wayfarer, G/H, etc.

4.4 Pursuit Racing

The Pursuit Race will be based on the time a Mirror should take to complete the race time. The duration will be between 60 and 240 minutes. The PH Rating is used to calculate the corrected start time to the nearest 30 seconds, rounded up or down to match the Mirror corrected time as closely as possible.

4.5 Match / Team Racing

This will always use boats of the same Class / Rig.

4.6 Gold Fleet

To qualify for the Gold Fleet, a helm shall have been placed:-

- 1st helm in any series of more than three qualifying boats (except Bronze Fleet), or
- 1st helm in any pursuit race, or
- 1st helm in any one day non-team event, or
- 2nd helm in any series of more than 4 qualifying boats (except Bronze Fleet), or
- 3rd helm in any series of more than 6 qualifying boats (except Bronze Fleet).

4.7 Silver Fleet

A helm not in the Gold or Bronze Fleets



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4.8 Bronze Fleet

The Bronze Fleet shall consist of any helm in his or her 1st year of racing at any club.

New Members and infrequent sailors will be categorised according to their experience at the discretion of the Rear Commodore/ Results Secretary. Appeals can be made to the Sailing Committee.

4.9 Fleet Adjustment

Two helms will be changed up or down to a different fleet at the end of any of the long series, other than between an aggregate Fleet Series.

4.10 Personal Handicaps

Personal Handicaps are expressed as a percentage and are calculated from actual performance in handicap races.

Personal Handicaps will be applied to any boat sailed by that helm.

The mechanism for calculating Personal Handicaps will be published when required.

4.11 Trophies

A 1st Position will be awarded if one boat qualifies for a series.

A 2nd Position will be awarded if two boats qualify for a series.

A 3rd Position will be awarded if three boats qualify for a series.

5.0 OUTLINE OF SERIES

Note that exact series dates are published in the calendar on the Club website (www.havershamsc.co.uk).

Winter Series	Normally from the 1 st week after the start of daylight saving time to the New Year. 10h00 Series Class Racing 11h30 Series Class Racing 13h30 Series Class Racing Single start
Midwinter Series	Normally from the New Year until the end of daylight saving time. 10h00 Series Class Racing 11h30 Series Class Racing 13h30 Series Class Racing Single start
Ice Maiden Series	Aggregate Score of the 13h30 start in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to female helms.
Winter Willie Series	Aggregate Score of the 11h30 and 13h30 starts in the Winter and Midwinter Series The series is open only to male helms.



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Weatherhead Series	Aggregate Score of the 11h30 and 13h30 starts in the Winter and Midwinter Series The Series is open only to two-handed boats.
Early Risers' Series	Aggregate Score of the 10h00 start in the Winter and Midwinter Series
Icicle Series	Aggregate Score of the 11h30 start in the Winter and Midwinter Series
Frostbite Series	Aggregate Score of the 13h30 start in the Winter and Midwinter Series
Spring Series	Starts as daylight saving time ends 10h00 Series Class Racing 11h30 Series Class Racing 13h30 Series Class Racing 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze Fleet
Summer Series	From early-June to early-August 10h00 Series Class Racing 11h30 Series Class Racing 13h30 Series Class Racing 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze Fleet
Autumn Series	From early-August to the start of daylight saving time. 10h00 Series Class Racing 11h30 Series Class Racing 13h30 Series Class Racing 15h00 Series Fleet Racing with separate start for Bronze Fleet
Note that 10h00 Series Class Racing will also be held on the dates of the ARC Bowl and Barclays Bucket events.	
Evening Series	From early-May to end-June. 19h00 Wednesday Fleet Racing Combined or separate starts Gold and Silver Fleets. Separate start for Bronze Fleet (except when run in parallel with the Rank Xerox event).
Twilight Series	From early-July to end-September 19h00 Wednesday Fleet Racing Combined or separate starts Gold and Silver Fleets Separate start for Bronze fleet.
Civil Service Cup	The Civil Service Cup is awarded to the helm placed first in the Silver Fleet on the aggregate score of the Evening and Twilight Series.
Dennis Cooke Trophy	The Dennis Cooke Trophy is awarded to the helm placed first in the Bronze Fleet on the aggregate score of the Evening and Twilight Series.
Buccaneers' Racing	Held from May to September 18h30 Friday Fleet Racing Combined or separate starts for Gold and Silver Fleets Separate start for Bronze Fleet. Racing is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 st August of the current year.



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6.0 OUTLINE OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Commodores' Whiskey Race	11h30 Boxing Day Handicap Race (All Classes)
Ice Breaker Trophy	11h30 New Years' Day 120-minute Pursuit Race
Anniversary Pursuit	12h00 race held on early-May Bank Holiday Monday 120-minute Pursuit Race
Jubilee Jug	Held on late-May Bank Holiday Weekend. Six Handicap Races over 2-days 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts 4 races to qualify – one discard per day.
Ladies Helm	Held on a Saturday in mid-June. Three Handicap Races – one discard 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts The Series is open only to female helms.
Match Race	Held on the Saturday of the Summer Solstice weekend Match Racing for single class boats over a short course. 14h00 start
Solstice Race	Held on the Saturday of the Summer Solstice weekend Handicap race 21h00 start to 00h00 Open only to two-crew boats with teams of four or more people. Crews must sail four rounds and then hand over to other team members. The Race Officer may change the number of rounds. Each boat is to have port and starboard stay lights and a white light shining on the mainsail.
ARC Bowl	Held in early-July Three race Handicap Series – one discard 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts
August Pursuit	12h00 August Bank Holiday 120-minute Pursuit Race
Rank Xerox Trophy	Team handicap event held on three consecutive Wednesday evenings in parallel with the Evening Series. 19h00 start – one discard allowed per team member. Teams are to consist of three boats, which will consist of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One helm from each of the Bronze, Silver and Gold Fleets, or • One helm from the Gold Fleet and two helms from the Bronze Fleet. The same helm must start all three races to qualify for the Trophy.
Trafalgar Trophy	Held on the Saturday closest to 21 st October 240-minute Pursuit Race 11h30 start
Barclays Bucket	Held on the Sunday closest to 6 th November 11h30 General Handicap race



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Lottery Pot	Held in the afternoon after the Barclays Bucket. 13h30 start 120-minute Pursuit Race.
ARC Bowl	Held in early-July Three race Handicap Series – one Discard 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 starts
August Pursuit	Held on August Bank Holiday 12h00 start 120-minute Pursuit Race
Wellington Cup	The Wellington Cup is a fun event, generally held on a Friday afternoon in June. The format, basis for qualification, scoring and prizes awarded are at the total discretion of the Race Officer. Personal Handicaps will be awarded according to ability and penalties will be announced at the prize giving. The Race Officer's decision is final.
In Memorium Trophy	Held on Easter Monday Four 50-minute race Handicap Series – one Discard Two races held back-to-back in the morning and two races held back-to-back in the afternoon.

7.0 OTHER EVENTS & AWARDS

Chile Plate	A charity event to be run in conjunction with any of the spring, summer or autumn series. 11h30, 13h30 and 15h00 races. This event may be sailed more than once per year.
Chaton Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded to the member who has given rise to the "Most Schadenfreude". A speech is mandatory.
William Lyman Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved senior helm.
Phil Lyon Trophy	A discretionary trophy awarded by the Sailing Committee to the most improved junior helm.
Denbigh Cup	Held in early-September. A General Handicap race held in conjunction with an 11h30 race. This race is open only to helms aged under-19 on the 31 st August of the current year.
RNLI Pennant	A Charity event to be run in conjunction with any of the Spring / Summer events.
Charlie Barber Cup	The Charlie Barber Cup is awarded to the helm placed first in the Bronze Fleet on the aggregate score of the Spring and Summer Series.
Cahoot Trophy	The Cahoot Trophy is awarded to the helm placed first in the Silver Fleet on the aggregate score of the Spring and Summer Series.