

# Mid Thames Trophy

21<sup>st</sup> October 2017

## NOTICE OF RACE

*The Organizing Authority is Hampton Sailing Club*

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### **1 Introduction**

- 1.1 The event will be held at Hampton Sailing Club. (See Poster)
- 1.2 The date of the event is 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017.
- 1.3 This event is organised by Hampton Sailing Club.

### **2 Registration**

- 2.1 Registration will be on arrival at Hampton Sailing Club. HSC recommends that a maximum of ten boats per club should participate, and a minimum of four.
- 2.2 Entry forms must be submitted. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
- 2.3 There will be a briefing for competitors in the vicinity of the club house at a time to be designated by the Principal Race Officer.

### **3 Programme**

- 3.1 3 Races, the warning signal for Race 1 will not be before 10:55 hrs
- 3.2 There will be no separate charge for registration. Instead there will be a charge of £10 to cover registration, buffet lunch, afternoon tea & coffee.

### **4 Scoring & Prizes**

- 4.1 Main Team Competition. The Mid Thames Trophy will be awarded to the club whose boats score the least aggregate points. The points from any three leading craft from each club will be totalled after each race with three races to count. The maximum recommended number of boats on the water from each club in any one race is ten.
- 4.2 A prize will be awarded to the lowest individual(s) scoring (helm/crew) and the lowest cadet score. (Under 16 yrs) with two races to count in both cases.
- 4.3 A prize will be awarded to the lowest scoring individual single hander over three races and the winner may be (but not necessarily) a member of the scoring Mid Thames trophy cohort.
- 4.4 The low point system (RRS Appendix A4) will apply. RRS A2 and "scores not discardable" will apply. Boats that did not finish or retired will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in that race.
- 4.5 Handicap adjusted times will be based on current RYA numbers and not on local numbers.

## LEGAL & TECHNICAL

### **5 Classes and Eligibility**

- 5.1 All boats entered must hold valid registration certificates with current buoyancy endorsements where applicable.

### **6 Conditions of Sailing and Personal Liabilities**

- 6.1 *Responsibility* The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person racing the boat who must ensure that the yacht and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Nothing whether in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or elsewhere limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge of the crew, the boat and her management.
- 6.2 *Competence* It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 6.3 *Class Requirements* All boats, crew and equipment must comply with the measurement and sailing requirements of the Class Association.
- 6.4 *Insurance* The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims to the sum of at least £2,000,000.
- 6.5 ***Organiser's Responsibility*** **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 a boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and event, and include but are not limited to the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer and patrol boats.**
- 6.6 *Patrol Boats* The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
- 6.7 *Inspections* Measurement certificates or boats may be inspected before or after any race at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer (PRO), who may stop a competitor from entering or racing if the PRO considers an inspection unsatisfactory. An inspection does not absolve the boat owner or sailors of any of their responsibilities as set out above.
- 6.8 *Minors* All competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event are required to complete a parental declaration signed by their parent or guardian.
- 6.9 *Personal Buoyancy* All under 8 years of age must wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times when on club premises and on boats or when sailing except when inside the club house under supervision. All must wear personal buoyancy when sailing if Flag Y is displayed.

### **7 Change of Helm**

- 7.1 *Change of Helm* - A change of helm is classified as a new entry

### **8 Rights to use Names & Likenesses**

Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the events.

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