



# **Marconi Sailing Club**

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Stansgate Abbey Farm, Steeple, Essex CM0 7NU

## **UK Byte Class Open Meeting 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> May 2006.**

An event in the UK Byte Association Travellers Series.

### **Preliminary Notice of Race**

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 – 2008.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association as set out on pages 163 to 167 of YR1/05 shall apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules of the International Byte Class shall apply except as modified by paragraph 3, Eligibility, as shown below.

#### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Advertising will be to Category C

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 Boats may sail with either CII or Standard Rig. However, if there are nine or fewer entries in either rig category, Class Rule 13(e) shall not apply and all boats shall start together. Separate finishes shall be recorded for each rig.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it together with the required fee to:- Mrs Fenella Thomas, 172, Notley Road, Braintree, Essex, CM7 1HL, 01376 329974. [Fenella.Thomas@aol.com](mailto:Fenella.Thomas@aol.com).
- 3.3 All participants shall be paid up Members of the UK Byte Class Association, except those participating members of Marconi Sailing Club.

#### **4. FEES**

- 4.1 The fee for each boat entered in the event shall be £15, reduced to £8 for those under 16 years old on 13 May 2006.

#### **5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 Registration shall open at 0900 hours on Saturday 13 May 2006 at the Marconi Sailing Club and shall close 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race each day.
- 5.2 Up to three races shall be scheduled each day.
- 5.3 The first race on 13 May will not commence before 12.00 hours. Races may be held "back to back".
- 5.4 Further notices will be displayed on the official notice board not later than 10.30 each day.

## **6. MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1 Boats shall comply with the Class Measurement Rules. The Organising Authority and the Class Association may require any boat to be measured at any time during the event.

## **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration

## **8. VENUE**

- 8.1 Marconi Sailing Club is at Stansgate Abbey Farm, Steeple, Essex CM0 7NU. For directions go to [www.marconi-sc.org.uk](http://www.marconi-sc.org.uk)
- 8.2 The racing area is in the River Blackwater in the vicinity of the Marconi Sailing Club.
- 8.3 Camping is available at Marconi S. C. and a meal and entertainment will be available at the club on Saturday evening.

## **9. COURSES**

- 9.1 Courses will be displayed in the Race Office 45 minutes before the start of each race. In the event of back to back races a course may be displayed on the committee boat.

## **10. PENALTIES**

- 10.1 The Scoring Penalty, Rule 44.3 shall not apply.

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 Scoring shall be in accordance with RRS 89.3.
- 11.2 Three races are required to constitute a series.
- 11.3 If fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.4 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 12.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to other boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **13. PRIZES**

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each category.
- 13.2 Further prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority, depending on the number of entries overall and for each rig.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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 or during or after the event.

## **15. INSURANCE**

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 16.1 For further information, please contact Fenella Thomas (see 3.2 above).