

**Lark Association / Marconi Sailing Club**

**Lark Open Event**  
**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Notice of Race**

**RULES** The regatta will be governed by the racing Rules of sailing, the prescriptions of the R.Y.A., the rules of the Lark Association, except as any of these are changed by the event Sailing Instructions.

**ELIGIBILITY** The meeting is open to all Lark dinghies on satisfactory completion of the entry form. All competitors and their families will be deemed to be temporary members of Marconi Sailing Club for the duration of the event.

All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations at registration.

**ADVERTISING CATEGORY:** The regatta is designated Category C.

**ENTRY FEE** is £30 per boat (or £15 where both helm and crew are 18 or under on 1 Jan 2018)

**CAMPING/FACILITIES:** Camping is permitted on site on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June only. The camping fee is £5 per boat, per night – payable at the weekend. Refreshments will be available all weekend. There will be a Mexican themed Evening Meal and Social on the Saturday night (advanced dinner booking required when registering on the day).

**SCHEDULE:**

<b>*Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>		(HW 14:09)
Registration	from 10 am to 11.30am	
Shore based training	10:30am	
Briefing	11:30am	
Races 1, 2, 3 & 4	Race 1 start at 12:30	
	Races 2, 3 & 4 will follow back to back	
<b>*Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>		(HW 14:45)
Briefing	10.00am	
Race 5, 6 and 7	Race 5 start no earlier than 10.30am	
	Races 6 and 7 will follow back to back	
Prize giving	to be advised on the day	

*Please note: at the discretion of the race committee, race 4 may be raced on Sunday instead of Saturday. In any event, racing on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June will not start earlier than 10.30am.*

\* Timings approximate

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be issued at registration on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

**VENUE** The regatta will be held at Marconi Sailing Club, Stansgate Abbey Farm, Steeple, Essex. CM0 7NU and sailed on the River Blackwater, Essex

**COURSES** will be displayed in the race reception and described at the briefings.

**SCORING:** The low points scoring system in Appendix A will be used. Each boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores, except that discards shall be applied as follows:

Races	Discards
1 – 3 races completed	No discard
4 or more races completed	1 discard

**PRIZES** to be announced.

### **RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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.

### **RISK STATEMENT**

The Organising Authority accepts no responsibility or liability for the loss of life or injury to skipper or crew or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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 whilst taking part in the event;
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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;
- g. It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

### **INSURANCE**

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

### **RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and any event sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue, without compensation.

### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Please contact Dave Russell 07740 421665 or [drussel7@live.com](mailto:drussel7@live.com) or visit [www.marconi-sc.org.uk](http://www.marconi-sc.org.uk)

## Useful Information

**Club Location:** Marconi Sailing Club, Stansgate Road, Steeple, Essex. CM0 7NU

### **Accessing the club site:**

The club site & club house will be open from 5pm on Friday afternoon and throughout the weekend. If you are planning to arrive on Friday night – **please let Dave Russell know in advance.**

At all other times, the club site is locked, so if you need to drop your boat off earlier on Friday or on another date, please contact Dave in advance so we can arrange someone to let you in.

### **Accommodation / Camping:**

On site camping is available on the evenings of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June at £5 per boat per night payable at the weekend. [Under local authority regulations, camping is not permitted on other nights].

The clubhouse has excellent wash/shower facilities which will be open all weekend and food / refreshments will also be available all weekend (please see below).

### **Other Accommodation:**

The Star Inn The Street, Steeple, CM0 7LF Tel: 01621 772646

The Green Man Waterside Rd, Bradwell, CM0 7QX 01621 776 226

[www.greenmanbradwellonsea.co.uk](http://www.greenmanbradwellonsea.co.uk)

Crouch Valley Motel Burnham Rd Latchingdon CM3 6EX Tel: 01621 740770 [www.crouchvalley.com](http://www.crouchvalley.com)

The Oyster Smack Burnham on Crouch - [www.theoystersmackinn.co.uk](http://www.theoystersmackinn.co.uk)

Ye Olde White Harte Burnham-On-Crouch [www.whiteharteburnham.co.uk](http://www.whiteharteburnham.co.uk)

Anchor Hotel Burnham-On-Crouch [www.theanchorburnham.co.uk](http://www.theanchorburnham.co.uk)

Burnt Mill Cottage Burnham on Crouch <http://burntmillcottagebandb.com>

### **Race Reception:**

Registration will take place in Race Reception on the ground floor of the western end of the clubhouse.

### **Saturday Night Social – Mexican Evening**

- Sit down two course evening meal (pre-order at registration - £8 for adults, £4.50 for under 12s)
- Bar with Mexican themed drinks – music and dancing
- Bring your Sombreros and Mexican fancy dress!!!

### **Food and Drink:**

In addition to the Social event, the club's galley service will be operating throughout the weekend as follows:

### **Friday evening:**

The galley will be open for snacks and the bar will be open.

### **Saturday & Sunday:**

- Breakfast / tea & coffee
- Lunch – selection of sandwiches / jacket potatoes / soups / hot & cold snacks
- Afternoon – tea/coffee and selection of cakes

### **Any Questions?**

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