



Sprint 15 Association / Marconi Sailing Club

Sprint 15 Summer TT Event
Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th April 2018

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 Sprint 15 Association, except as any of these are changed by the event Sailing Instructions.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY: Racing is open only to fully paid up members of the Sprint 15 Class Association. All competitors and their families will be deemed to be temporary members of Marconi Sailing Club for the duration of the event.

Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form paying the required fee in the club house prior to racing. Boats may enter in any format – One up, Two up or Sport Mode.

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

ADVERTISING CATEGORY: The regatta is designated Category C.

ENTRY FEE is £30 per boat (or £15 for entrants who are 18 or under on 1 Jan 2018)

CAMPING/FACILITIES: Free camping is permitted on site on Saturday 14th April only. A galley service will be available throughout the weekend, including an evening meal on Saturday night.

SCHEDULE

*Saturday 14th April		(HW 12:36pm)
Registration	from 9.30 am to 11.30am	
Briefing	11am	
Races 1, 2 and 3 (back to back)	Race 1 start at 12 noon Races 2 and 3 back to back	
*Sunday 15th April		(HW 1:19pm)
Briefing	10.00am	
Race 4 & 5 (back to back)	Race 4 start no earlier than 10.30am (Race 5 will be the long distance race)	
Prize giving	15.00hrs approx.	

Please note: at the discretion of the race committee, race 3 may be raced on Sunday instead of Saturday. In any event, racing on Sunday 15th April will not start earlier than 10.30am.

* Timings approximate

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS will be available on the Sprint 15 website and posted in Reception on the day.

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.

PENALTIES A penalty shall comprise one turn including one tack and one gybe. This changes Rule 44.1.

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:

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