



Notice of Race

Event Fleet Trophy Regatta

Date Sunday 27th June 2021

Organising authority Burghfield Sailing Club

Event Website <http://burghfieldsailing.org/racing>

This Notice of Race covers the Fleet Trophy private racing regatta event organised by Burghfield Sailing Club for its members.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions from RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed. See the Official Notice Board for details.
- 1.3. The rules and bylaws of Burghfield Sailing Club will apply.
- 1.4. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors whilst afloat. Flag Y will not be flown. This changes RRS 40.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats will not be required to display sponsor advertising.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Entry is open to the members only of Burghfield Sailing Club.
- 3.2. Eligible boats must enter by signing on using the Sailing Club Manager (SCM) on the Burghfield Website; a single sign on covers the complete series. There will be no signing on facilities in the race shed.
- 3.3. Boats whose helm is 18 years or younger on 31 December of the current year are designated as Youth entries.

4. DECLARATION

- 4.1. Competitors shall inform the race officer on coming ashore of the boat in front and boat behind them at the sound signal denoting the end of the race.

5. FEES

- 5.1. All racing covered by this document is free to members of Burghfield Sailing Club.

6. RACE FLEETS

- 6.1. The event shall be run as a multi-class race series.

- 6.2. If there are 5 or more entries for a class by the closing date (midnight Thursday 24th June 2021, there will be a separate class start and separate prizes.
- 6.3. There will be separate Youth/Junior start for under 18s.
- 6.4. All other boats will race in a separate handicap fleet.
- 6.5. Trackers will be used for race results.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. The series is a one-day event running on Sunday, 27th June 2021.
- 7.2. It is planned to run 6 races – 3 in the morning and 3 in the afternoon.
- 7.3. There will be committee boat start line and we may use a separate finish line.
- 7.4. When a fleet finishes a race, the starting sequence for the next race will be started without waiting for other fleets.
- 7.5. Unless stated otherwise in the Sailing Instructions on the club website, the schedule for the races is as follows:

Event	Warning Signal	First Start
Morning Race	10:24	10:30
Afternoon Race	13:24	13:30

- 7.6. The start times for individual fleets will be published on Friday 25th June 2021.
- 7.7. The target time for each race is 30 minutes for the leading boat in each fleet.

8. MEASUREMENTS

- 8.1. Boats using 3rd party replica parts (i.e., parts which adhere to the class rules, with respect to similar material and shape, apart from their manufacturer) may race in the fleet that the boat would enter if it were using genuine manufacturer parts and race under the same PY.
- 8.2. For boats that are available with different rig sizes and where entries start races in a series with different sized sails all results may count provided the fastest PY, of rig used, is allocated to all results.
- 8.3. Where boats without a formal PY enter, a PY will be allocated at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 8.4. Boats may enter without the correct number of crew by identifying this variation on the signing on sheet. A PY will be allocated to that class by the sailing committee or its representative (possibly after the race) and it will be treated as a new entry. Typically, this will be to penalise the boat's PY by 20%. Other changes in a boat's configuration may be treated in a similar manner.
- 8.5. All sail numbers shall be uniquely distinguishable and shall be correctly identified on the signing on sheet.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. Sailing instructions will be available on the club website on Friday 25th June 2021.

10. VENUE

Burghfield Sailing Club

Hangar Road

Theale, Reading

Berkshire

RG7 4AP

See: <http://www.burghfieldsailing.org/map>

11. THE COURSES

- 11.1. The course will be described in the Sailing Instructions and shall be as shown on the notice board under the club balcony.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. Rule 44.3 will not apply.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. For these series, points in a series will be accrued to a combination of helm, crew and class of boat, a helm and crew may swap roles, but neither shall sail with a different crew. A change of class constitutes a new entry, excluding the allowances made within section 8.2. A change of boat or sail number within the same class or a change of crew does not constitute a new entry.

- 13.2. A boats series score will be the sum of her lowest races scores as listed below:

Races Sailed	1	2-3	4-5	6
Scores to Count	1	2	4	5

- 13.3. The morning and afternoon races will count in the series.

14-18 NOT USED

19. PRIZES

- 19.1. To be eligible for prizes, an entry must compete in at least the number of scoring races shown in the table in 13.3.
- 19.2. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority to the first three entries in each class series except that the number of prizes will not exceed half of the number of entries eligible for prizes in that fleet.
- 19.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority to individual class fleets.

20. STATEMENT OF RISK

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 inherently 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event 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 familiarise 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 at the venue.

21. INSURANCE

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

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please see contact details on the event website.