

MANNINGTREE TOWN REGATTA 2022

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July

Notice of Race

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rule 26 will be changed as follows:-
- Saturday: Pursuit start times will be as recorded on the acknowledged race entry sheet
 - Sunday: Class/fleet racing start times will be as displayed at the race hut

For regatta racing (both pursuit and class/fleet) there is no intention to use flags during the start sequence. Race timings should be taken from the race clock (in the start hut). Starting sequence time synchronisation, warning, preparatory and start times may be accompanied by a sound signal. The absence of any sound signal should be disregarded.

2.0 RYA Racing Charter

- 2.1 Competitors should note that the Stour Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules.

3.0 Entry and Registration

- 3.1 Race Entries must be made in advance by July 12. The entry fee of £10 per race should be paid at least 1 hour before the scheduled start. Please bring cash or cheque as card payment will not be available at registration.

4.0 Programme and Schedule

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| 4.1 | Saturday | 12:15 | Time synchronisation signal |
| | | 13.15 | First start of pursuit race |
| | | 15.15 | Pursuit race finish |
| | | 16.30 | Prize Giving |
| Sunday | 13.00 | Time synchronisation signal | |
| | 14.05 | Micro Class start | |
| | 14.10 | Dinghy Class start | |
| | 14.15 | Cruiser start | |
| | 14.20 | Classics start | |

16:45 Prize Giving

We hope to run a Junior (under 16) race, to start after other starts are underway, details to be confirmed.

5.0 Briefing

- 5.1 There will be no formal briefing. Instructions and guidance will be displayed on the website and notice board adjacent to the race hut

.6.0 Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 Sailing instructions for the event will be issued on the Stour SC web site (they will not be issued at registration) and in the event of any conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions then the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 6.2 Any changes to Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than the advertised time synchronisation signal. Changes will be posted on the notice board adjacent to the start hut.

7.0 Race Area and Courses

- 7.1 The races will be western end of the tidal River Stour, generally limited by the Stutton/Bradfield post (navigation mark) and the Club start/finish line.
- 7.2 Courses to be sailed will be displayed adjacent to the race hut.

8.0 Rules disputes, protests and requests for redress

- 8.1 The Exoneration Penalty (and Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration) of the RYA Rules Dispute Procedures will be available.

9.0 Scoring and Prizes

- 9.1 For the Regatta weekend Stour handicaps will be used for the calculation of pursuit race start times and corrected handicap race results. These (PY type) handicap numbers will be based on (a) past club performance (b) estimated performance.
- 9.1 The pursuit race prizes will be awarded to overall and class categories within the pursuit that are leading 'on the water' at the race completion time.
- 9.2 Sunday racing will be class/ level rating for Micros and Stour handicaps for cruisers and PY for dinghies.

10.0 Social

- 10.1 Food will be available to purchase in the marquee after racing for competitors. The traditional fireworks scheduled for around 22.15.

11.0 Risk Statement

- 11.1 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 for the event;