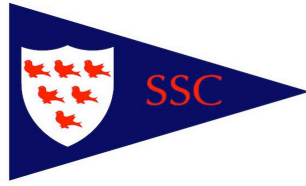


SHOREHAM SAILING CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE

Merlin Rocket Silver Tiller

24th -25th July 2021

Organising Authority:

Shoreham Sailing Club (SSC) in association with Merlin Rocket Owners Association

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), RYA prescriptions and the relevant Class rules.
- 1.2 In the case of conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the sailing instructions (SI's), the sailing instructions shall prevail. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.3 Competitors will wear personal flotation devices while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be used: this changes Rule 40. Wetsuits or dry-suits are not personal floatation devices.
- 1.4 Any changes to the RRS will be given in the SI's.
- 1.5 Spinnaker numbers are not required. This changes Rule 77 and Appendix G1.3(d).

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Merlin Rocket Class which have a current measurement certificate.
- 2.2 Boats competing for Silver Tiller prizes must be entered by members or associate members of the MROA
- 2.3 Entries will be accepted from non-members of the MROA provided they are members of SSC but they will not be eligible for Silver Tiller prizes.
- 2.4 A boat wishing to substitute a helm or a crew after registration shall make prior written request to the race committee to do so. The decision to permit or deny such request shall be entirely at the discretion of the race committee.

3 ENTRIES AND FEES

- 3.1 Entries shall be made on the official Entry Form available at reception or online www.shorehamsailing.org
Online entry must be made 24hours before the event.
- 3.2 Entry fees are £35.00 per boat for the complete event (two days) or £25.00 for one day.
- 3.3 Entries will be accepted up to 12.00 on Saturday 24th July or up to 09.30 on Sunday 25th July for entries on that day only.

4 SCHEDULE

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- 4.1 Registration will take place in the club house on Saturday 24th July between 10.00 and 12.00 and on Sunday 25th July between 08.30 and 09.30.
- 4.2 The event comprises of a six (6) race series: 3 races on Saturday and 3 races on Sunday.
- 4.3 At its' discretion the race committee may change the number of races each day but may not start more than 4 races on either day.
- 4.4 The scheduled time for race briefings will be: Saturday 24th July not before 11.30; Sunday 25th July not before 09.00.
- 4.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the races will be: Saturday 24th July not before 13.25; Sunday 25th July not before 10.25.
- 4.6 No warning signal will be made after 15.00 on Sunday 25th July.
- 4.7 High water times: Saturday 24th July HW 12.20 (6.27m); Sunday 25th July HW 13.07 (6.34m).

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Sailing instructions will be published on the event website on or before 23rd July 2021 (www.shorehamsailing.org) and printed copies will be available at registration.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 Shoreham Sailing Club, Soldiers Point, 223 Harbour Way, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5HZ.
- 6.2 Racing will normally take place to the West of the harbour entrance.

7 PENTALTY SYSTEM

- 7.1 RRS Rule 44 will apply.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 8.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 The following prizes will be awarded by the MROA for the Silver and Bronze Fleet;
 - Lighthouse Litre for the winner of Saturday
 - Sussex Flagon for the winner of Sunday
 - Chairman Cup for the overall winner

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 10.1 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'.
- 10.2 By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

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- their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue;
- their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 or the equivalent per event against third party claims.

11 RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT

- 11.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

12 DATA PROTECTION

- 12.1 In order to manage the event, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images will comply with the General Data Protection Regulation.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 Please contact William Warren (Merlin Class Captain) on wazzlerwarren@googlemail.com or 07802 587831