



CYC Optimist Open Meeting 2011

11th September 2011

Organising Authority: Chichester Yacht Club.
Event Location: Chichester Yacht Club, West Sussex.

Notice of Race

1 Rules

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012*.

Competitors should note that Chichester Yacht Club:

- Implements the RYA Racing Charter and expects competitors to sail in compliance with the charter.
- Expects competitors to sail in accordance with the Chichester Harbour Code of Conduct for Racing.

2 Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority in accordance with ISAF regulation 20.

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The Main Open fleet is open to those sailing Optimists conforming to the strict one design class rules, while the Regatta fleet is open to those sailing Optimists conforming to the spirit of the strict one design class rules and replica Optimists, such as the OppyBat, and those who have not won a Regatta fleet event.

3.2 Junior competitors are those under the age of 16 on 11th September 2011.

During the event the parents or guardians of junior competitors shall either be in or around CYC or afloat participating in the event, or will inform the event organisers in writing who is acting in loco parentis on their behalf; then those acting in loco parentis shall either be in or around CYC or afloat participating in the event. Parents, guardians or persons acting in loco parentis of junior competitors shall sign the entry form accepting the "Parents or guardians declaration".

3.3 Young competitors are those over the age of 16, but under the age of 18, on 11th September 2011.

A young competitor whose parent or guardian has had a Young Person Consent form accepted by CYC's General Committee may participate in this event without a parent, guardian or person acting in loco parentis being present at CYC during the event.

However during the event the parents or guardians of all other young competitors shall either be in or around CYC or afloat participating in the event, or will inform the event organisers in writing who is acting in loco parentis on their behalf; then those acting in loco parentis shall either be in or around CYC or afloat participating in the event. Parents, guardians or persons acting in loco parentis of these other young competitors shall sign the entry form accepting the "Parents or guardians declaration".

3.4 Adult competitors are those over the age of 18 on 11th September 2011.

3.5 Eligible competitors may enter at the entry desk in the sloop at Chichester Yacht Club on the day of the event. A parent, guardian or person acting in loco parentis of all young competitors shall sign the entry form accepting the "Parent's or guardian's declaration regarding young competitors".

3.6 Entry Fees:

Entry fee per boat: £10.

3.7 Boats needing to sail with sail numbers differing from those under which they have entered shall obtain approval from the race committee to use the different numbers via the entry desk prior to the first race in which they sail with the different numbers.

4 Racing Schedule:

The CYC Optimist Open Meeting 2011 will be held on Sunday 11th September 2011.

Registration will take place at CYC in the Sloop from 09:00.

A briefing will be held at CYC in the Sloop at 10:00.

Scheduled time of Main Open fleet race warning signals: Race 1: 10:55, races 2 & 3 are to be announced.

Scheduled time of Regatta fleet race warning signals: Race 1: 11:10, races 2 & 3 are to be announced.

Subsequent races shall follow immediately after the preceding races.

The total number of races planned is 3 for each fleet.

High water details: 12:10 4.6m.

5 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available electronically on CYC's web site, www.cyc.co.uk, from 1st July 2011 at the latest and on paper during registration on the day.

6 Disclaimer of Liability

6.1 The persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat shall include the boat's helm and crew, and for boats sailed by young and junior competitors the competitor's parents or guardians or those acting in loco parentis for the parents or guardians.

All persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility.

All persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat are entirely responsible for deciding whether their boat and those that will sail it are sufficiently competent to sail in the conditions they might find.

All persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat are solely responsible for ensuring those sailing a boat are wearing adequate clothing for the conditions.

By launching all persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat confirm that their boat and those sailing it are sufficiently competent to sail and compete in the event in the conditions they might find.

All persons sailing a boat are solely responsible for deciding whether or not to participate in a race or to continue racing. See RRS rule 4.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the persons responsible for the management or sailing of a boat of their responsibilities.

6.2 The event organisers encompass the organising authority, the race committees and the event support team. The organising authority is Chichester Yacht Club; the race committee encompasses the principal race officers and their committee boat crews, the patrol boat personnel and the beach master, while the event support team encompasses all others that help run this event.

The event organisers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the competitors or accompanying persons as a result of attending or taking part in this event and those attending this event indemnify the event organisers against all and any costs, claims, demands and liabilities in respect of the same.

7 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 that is valid for this event and those sailing the boat.

8 Supporting Information

8.1 Courses will be set and races will be held on the waters known as Chichester Lake.

8.2 To sail to the starting area once launched should take no more than 20 minutes.

8.3 Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the sailing instructions.

8.4 Results will be posted on CYC's web site - www.cyc.co.uk.

8.5 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available during this event.

8.6 Support boats attending this event shall register at the entry desk during any registration period.

8.7 Competitors shall accept that motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them and their boat could be taken whilst attending this event.

8.8 In entering this event, competitors automatically grant the organising authority and Class Association the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, without compensation.

8.9 Competitors are asked not to leave road trailers in the car park, but to move them to the dinghy park or other area designated for the purpose.

8.10 The harbour dues paid at this event are for vessels less than 6.3m LOA taking part in open races organised by a local Chichester Harbour club for up to 2 days.

9 Contact Details

In the first instance please contact Chichester Yacht Club on 01243 512918, email: secretary@cyc.co.uk, web site: www.cyc.co.uk, address: Chichester Marina, Chichester, West Sussex, UK, PO20 7EJ, otherwise contact the CYC Optimist Fleet Captain Jason Kirk on 07970 575013.