



BOUGH BEECH SAILING CLUB

The Icicle

Open Series 2024

Sunday 7th January – Sunday 25th February 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

Subject only to minor amendments

Venue: Bough Beech Sailing Club
Bough Beech,
Nr. Edenbridge
Kent
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Bough Beech reservoir is situated in the Weald of Kent between Sevenoaks and Edenbridge.

Organising Authority: The Bough Beech SC.

Introduction

Bough Beech SC invites mono-hull dinghies (foiling craft not permitted) to sail under PY handicaps in a 16 race series over eight Sundays from the 7th January to the 25th February 2024.

Races will be of the “average lap” format and organised in two classes, one for asymmetric rig boats, and the other for all other boats.

1. Cancellation

- 1.1. The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries at its' absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 1.2. Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.

2. Rules

- 2.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 - 2024, the RYA prescriptions, this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 2.2. In the event of any conflict between these Rules, those of the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 2.3 The exoneration penalty (and the advisory and RYA Arbitration) of the RYA Rules disputes procedures will be available.
- 2.4 RRS 29.2; RRS 35; RRS 40.2; RRS 60.1(a); RRS 64.2; RRS A4. RRS A5; Race signals ICF “L” will be changed. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

3. Personal Safety

- 3.1 **Adequate personal buoyancy must be worn by all persons at all times when afloat and on the pontoon jetty, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4, and BBSC Club Byelaw E8. Buoyancy must be appropriate to the size and weight of the individual and the activity in which they are engaged and must be worn in accordance with the manufacturer’s guidelines. It is the responsibility of each individual, or in the case of a child, their parent, guardian or support person to ensure this.**
- 3.2 Competitors shall wear wetsuits or dry suits at all times. Neither wetsuits nor dry suits will be considered adequate buoyancy.

4. Eligibility & Entry

- 4.1 All Entrants must be members of an RYA affiliated club.
- 4.2 The series is open to all classes of centre-board mono-hull sailing dinghies whose overall length does not exceed 20 feet or 6.096 metres. Boats for non-members may only be entered using the official website entry form.
- 4.3 The event is also open to youth helms and crews under the age of 18 yrs on the 25th February 2024.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter as follows:
 - (a) **Club members** are eligible to enter, having to just sign on prior to racing.
 - (b) **Non-Club members** must enter and pay the entry fee in advance using the Web Collect link under the “Icicle Series Entry” tab on the Club website.
[Icicle Series Entry – Bough Beech Sailing Club \(boughbeechsc.org.uk\)](https://www.boughbeechsc.org.uk)
Entries must be submitted 48 hours before the visitor’s first intended race day.
 - (c) Non-Club members sailing in a member’s boat should pay a reduced fee

using the appropriate Web Collect category

4.5 Substitution of helm after commencement of the series will require a separate entry for that boat and will only be considered following written application to the race committee of the day.

5. Fees

5.1 Required series fees are as follows:

- £65.00 for a double handed boat and £45.00 for a single-handed boat, or £10.00 for each boat for one day
- A reduced rate for youth helm and crews of £30.00 per double hander and £20.00 per single hander for a complete series, or £5.00 per boat per day.

(Boat storage at the club, for the series, is included free for visitors paying for the full series.)

5.2 Members of Bough Beech SC may enter the series without paying further fees.

6, Schedule

6.1 A briefing will be held at 10.15hrs on 7th January 2024

6.2 Dates of Racing

Date	Class	Number of races per day
January 7th & each Sunday thereafter up to & including Sunday 25 ^h February 2024	All conventional boats inc. RS Feva and Feva XL	Two, (weather permitting) Warning signals not before 10.55hrs
January 7th & each Sunday thereafter up to & including Sunday 25 th February 2023	All asymmetric rig boats except RS Feva and Feva XL	Two, (weather permitting) Warning signals not before 11.00hrs

6.3 The second race will commence as soon as possible after Race 1.

6.4 At the Race Officers' discretion, if there are races to be caught up on due to weather or other reasons, then on any of the race days from Sunday 14th January an additional race may be sailed to count in the series in addition to the 2 races scheduled.

7. Sailing instructions

7.1 The sailing Instruction will be available on the club website and on the official notice boards in the clubhouse.

8. The Courses

7.1 The courses to be sailed will be defined in the sailing instructions and displayed at the club.

9. Scoring

9.1 The Scoring system is as follows; World Sailing Low Points Scoring Systems as in RRS Appendix A4 and Appendix A5.3.

9.2 A minimum of four races are required to be completed to constitute the series.

9.3 The number of races a boat may exclude from her score (or the number of races to count) will depend upon the number of races completed as follows;

Number of Races completed	Races to count
16	9
14, 15	8
12, 13	7
10, 11	6
8, 9	5
6, 7	4
4, 5	3

10. Radio Communications

10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11. Prizes

11.1 The Bough Beech Organising Committee will award prizes at its discretion for each of the two classes racing.

12. Advertising

12.1 Boats may display advertising supplied by the organising authority.

13. Risk Statement

13.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is his or 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 from 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; and
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risk 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.

14. Insurance

14.1 Each participating boat shall ensure that their boat is adequately insured against all third party claims.

14.2 It is a condition of entry for each boat owner to have their boat adequately insured against any risk including civil liability to third parties, and to ensure that such insurance

remains valid for the entirety of the event.

15. Rights and Copyright

15.1 By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during this long series event and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

16. Data Protection

16.1 In order to manage the events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NOR 15) will comply with the Club's Privacy Policy <http://www.boughbeechsc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/docs/BBSC-Privacy-policy.pdf> and Data Protection Guidelines. <http://www.boughbeechsc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/docs/BBSC-Data-Protection-Guidelines.pdf>

The Organising Committee, BBSC
November 2023

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Club membership

All participants, crews and, families and sailing support are extended membership privileges for the duration of the series.

Social

The galley will be open all day for a wide variety of hot and cold food.

Storage of Boats

Boats participating in the series may be stored for the duration of the series in the club dinghy park. Visiting boats are to be stored in "Row H" adjacent to the Car park. Note, boats are left entirely at the risk of the owners. The club will not be responsible for the security of items left in the club premises, grounds, or car park.

Protection against invasive species

All participating boats will be expected to have met the Clubs protective procedure against "invasive species" before entering the water boards property. As a precautionary measure we would request that all visitor boats and equipment are washed down before the event.

Camping

Camping is not permitted.

Parking

Parking is available in the club car park. Boats should be rigged in the car park and walked down on their launching trolleys to the slipway.

Security

Valuables should not be left in the changing rooms or visible in cars.

Dogs

Under the terms of the Sutton and East Surrey Water Company byelaws, Dogs are not permitted on the premises of the Club, its grounds or car parks.

Further Information

Any further information regarding the event is available from the Sailing Secretary at sailing@boughbeechsc.org.uk

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