Albacore and Laser Open
Sunday 26th April 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

This regatta will be governed by the:

- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), except rule 1.2 is replaced by: Adequate personal flotation devices shall be worn by all crew members whilst afloat and on access piers or pontoons.
- RRS RYA Racing Charter.
- RRS RYA Prescriptions.
- RSS RYA Risk Statement in Addendum A of Appendix J.
- Maidenhead Sailing Club (MSC) Open Meeting Sailing Instructions, available at www.maidenheadsc.org.uk/main/racing-and-results-mainmenu-45.html
- Class Rules.
- Bye-laws of MSC, available at: https://www.maidenheadsc.org.uk/main/msc-documents.html

The regatta is open to boats of the Albacore and Laser Standard, Radial and 4.7 classes.

Boats may be asked to produce:

- A valid measurement certificate
- A current buoyancy endorsement

The Laser Open forms part of Sailing Chandlery's Thames Valley Laser Grand Prix 2020 Circuit. In order to be awarded a Series score, sailors must be a member of the UK Laser Class Association and be sailing a Class-legal Laser.

Sailors using replica Laser sails/rigs may enter this Open and will be eligble for the MSC prizes but will not be awarded a Series score.

If there is low water or weed then the Race Officer may announce at the briefing that Laser rudders can be lifted.

2. Entry and Fees

Boats may enter by completing registration. The fees, in cash please, are:

- Albacores, £25 per boat.
- Lasers, £18 per boat.
- Entry fee includes breakfast bacon roll, home cooked lunch, teas & coffees all day and cake.
- Additional lunches are available for spectators etc. at £5.00 each.

3. Schedule

Bacon rolls	09:30
Registration	09:30 onwards.
Briefing	10:30
Race 1	11:00 Albacores, 11:05 Lasers
Lunch	12:15 approx
Race 2	13:15 Albacores, 13:20 Lasers approx.
Race 3	ASAP after conclusion of race 2 (Back to Back)
Tea & Cake	16:00 approx.
Prize Giving	ASAP after conclusion of racing

The Race Officer may adjust the schedule on the day.

4. Venue

The regatta will be held at MSC, address below. There is a chart of the lake showing the approximate positions of marks in the Open Meeting Sailing Instructions, available at:
https://www.maidenheadsc.org.uk/main/racing-and-results-mainmenu-45.html

5. Scoring

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

6. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top three Albacores and top three Lasers. In addition there will be a prize for the first Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 and Silver Fleet Albacore.

Criteria for the Albacore Silver Fleet will be decided on the day depending on entries, but it is aimed at the newer or less experienced members of the class, or those with boats of an older vintage.

In addition, a bottle of wine will be presented to each prize-winning sailor.

7. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

8. Further Information

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