**NOTICE OF RACE**

**SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION**

**UK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 30th & 31st July & 1st August 2016**

**BROADSTAIRS SAILING CLUB**

**The Organising Authority will be The UK Snipe Class International Racing Association**

**and Broadstairs Sailing Club**

Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, RYA Prescriptions, the SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National Championship Regattas and the Regatta Sailing Instructions. The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration) of the RYA Rules Dispute Procedures will be available.

'Competitors should note that ‘ Broadstairs Sailing Club’  implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book  (Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016) or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter'](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter%27)

The championship is open to SCIRA registered boats which must display a 2016 decal

No UK helm or crew shall be eligible to enter unless they are current members of SCIRA UK and SCIRA International.

Visiting Sailors must be members of SCIRA International

Entry forms will be available to download from snipe.org.uk and Snipe facebook page

**Regatta Programme**

Friday 29th July Registration from 18:00 – 20:00 (in clubhouse)

 Curry in the Club (must be pre-booked, see entry form)

Saturday 30thJuly Late registration 10:00 – 11:00 (in clubhouse)

 Briefing not before 11:30 (below the BSC Race Office)

 Race 1 Warning Signal not before12:55, race 2 back to back

 BBQ in the Club (see entry form)

Sunday 31st July Race 3 Warning Signal not before 10:55, race 4 and 5 back to back (lunch on the water)

 AGM – after racing (approx. 17:00)

Regatta Dinner at “The Charles Dickens”

Monday 1st August Race 6 Warning Signal not before 10:30, race 7 back to back

No races to start after 14:30

 Prize giving as soon as feasible after racing

3 races shall constitute a championship. Two discards are allowed if 7 races are sailed, if 6 or 5 races are sailed there will be one discard, if 4 races or less are completed then all races to count

The following measurement checks will be made: current class decal, towline (15m minimum, 8mm diameter), paddle, centerboard retainer. Sails must be signed.

All sails must carry correct origin and boat number.

The Regatta Sailing Instructions will be available at registration on 29th July, on 30th July before 11:00 or can be downloaded from the BSC Web Site – broadstairssailingclub.com

Races will be sailed on a Committee Boat course as close as possible to Viking Bay, Broadstairs,

The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for National Championship regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Rulebook.

**Prizes**

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| Skipper International Trophy | Winning boat in race 1 | Gossamer Cup | Helm of the winning boat overall |
| Manchester Cruising Association Trophy | Winning boat in race 2 | Mc. Inlay Cup  | Crew of the winning boat overall |
| Stone Sailing Club Trophy | Winning boat in race 3 | Medway Cup  | Helm of the second boat overall |
| Percy Douglas Trophy | Winning boat in race 4 | King George SC Trophy | Crew of the second boat overall |
| Blue Circle Trophy | Winning boat in race 5 | John Broughton Masters Trophy | Highest placed helm over the age of 45 |
| Southern Caernarvonshire YC Trophy | Winning boat in race 6 | Harding Junior Trophy | Highest place junior helm |
| Broughton Salver | Winning boat in race 7 | John Love Friendship Trophy  | Highest place Orkney helm |
|  |  | Antonelli Cup  | 1st UK Boat |

**Accommodation**

B+B and Hotel accommodation is available in the town <http://www.visitthanet.co.uk/plan-your-visit-introduction/places-to-stay>

The nearest official campsite is Nethercourt touring park [www.**nethercourt**.com/](http://www.nethercourt.com/) in Ramsgate

We have made arrangements with Upton School for 4 nights camping with the use of showers and toilets. The school’s address is Edge End Road, Broadstairs CT10 2AH about ¾ mile from the club.

**Risk Statement**

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 nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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| (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; | (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; |
| (b) | They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore; | (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; |
| (c) | They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions; | (g) | Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims; |

For further details, visit [snipe.org.uk](http://www.snipe.org.uk)

or visit [www.broadstairssailingclub.com](http://www.broadstairssailingclub.com)

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