

CLUB SAILING PROGRAMME 2010

In general, sailing takes place at Upper Bittell on Sundays, Wednesday evenings, Saturday afternoons and at other times when there are special events, for instance school sailing, or when members wish to sail informally. Organised Club Racing takes place on Sundays, Wednesday evenings and at special events as shown on the Club Calendar

SUNDAY AND BANK HOLIDAY RACING

There will be morning Snowflake series races on:

- **Sundays** from 3rd January to 28th February

There will be morning and afternoon races on:

- **Sundays** from 14th March to 10th October, except 16th May (Enterprise Open), 4th July (Summer Regatta), 5th September (National Enterprise Under 21's) although a charity race will be held at 3pm but may be delayed if necessary.
- **Mondays:** 3rd May, 31st May and 30th August

Morning Races for Sailboards

Will be sailed by 7.5m Raceboards. In addition there will be an 'Allcomers' race category.

There will be three races of around 30 minutes for the leader.

Starting signals for the first race will be as follows:

1100	Warning Signal
1103	Preparatory Signal
1106	Start

The warning signal for the second and third races will be as soon as possible after the preceding race.

Sailboards may sail until 1400 and after the end of the second afternoon race. Formal training for Dinghy sailors may take place on the water whilst sailboards are racing, but only on separate areas of the reservoir designated by the O.D. and all training boats must in any event keep clear of sailboards racing.

Dinghies may sail after 1300 but must keep clear of sailboards which are racing.

Afternoon races for Dinghies

There will be eight classes: Solo, Enterprise, Laser/Laser Radial/Laser 4.7, Lark/Handicap fleet, Cadet and Optimist. The club Picos will start with the handicap fleet.

There will be two races of around 60 minutes for the leader of each class.

Starting signals for the first race will be as follows:

1424	Warning Signal
1427	Preparatory
1430	Solo Start
1432	Laser/Laser Radial/Laser 4.7 Start
1434	Enterprise Start
1436	Lark / Handicap / Club Picos Start.
1438	Cadet and Optimist Start

The warning signal for the second race will be at 1610 or 30 minutes after the first finisher if later.

WEDNESDAY EVENING RACING

There will be one series of evening races on Wednesdays from 31st March to 16th June and a second series from 23rd June to 8th September. Note that the start times for the 31st March race will be 30 minutes earlier than published below.

There will be three divisions: Senior Pursuit (Solo, Enterprise, Laser/Laser Radial/Laser 4.7 and Lark), Junior Pursuit (Cadet and Optimist) and Sailboards.

Starting signals will be as follows:

1854	Warning Signal
1857	Preparatory Signal
1858	Sailboard Start
1859	Laser 4.7 Start
1900	Solo and Optimist Start
1902	Enterprise Start
1903	Enterprise Single handed and Laser Radial Start
1904	Laser Start
1905	Lark Start
1906	Lark Single handed & Cadet Start

Note that other acceptable classes will start at the appropriate time. (To be advised)

The finish for Sailboards will be around 1940 and for the two remaining divisions should be as close to 2000 as practicable

FROSTBITE SERIES RACING

The Frostbite series of races will be on Sundays from 24th October to 19th December. There will be three divisions: Senior Pursuit (Solo, Enterprise, Laser/Laser Radial/Laser 4.7 and Lark), Junior Pursuit (Cadet and Optimist) and Sailboards.

There will be three classes Junior, Senior and Sailboard with 2 races of around 45 minutes each.

Starting signals will be as follows :

1100	Warning Signal
1103	Preparatory Signal and Sailboard Start
1105	Laser 4.7 Start
1106	Solo and Optimist Start
1107	Enterprise Start
1108	Enterprise Single handed and Laser Radial Start
1109	Lark and Laser Start
1110	Lark Single handed & Cadet Start

Note that other acceptable classes will start at the appropriate time. (To be advised)

The finish for all divisions should be as close to 1151 as practicable.

The warning signal for the second race will be around 1220.

SNOWFLAKE SERIES RACING

The Snowflake series of races will be on Sundays from 2nd January 2011 – date to be advised. Racing will be on an Average Lap basis using Portsmouth Yardstick numbers.

There will be two classes, Junior and Senior with 2 races of around 45 minutes each.

Starting signals will be as follows:

1100	Warning Signal
1103	Preparatory Signal
1106	Start

The warning signal for the second race will be around 1220.

SUMMER REGATTA INCORPORATING RACING FOR THE RICHARD MURRAY, JUNE LENNOX and JUNIOR HELM TROPHIES

A Summer Regatta will be held on Sunday 4th July. Racing will be open to everyone and will incorporate a number of events including the Flag Officers Race for the Richard Murray Trophy, a Ladies Race for the June Lennox Trophy and also the Junior Helm. Note that the ladies race will be open to all classes and will be run on a pursuit basis.

Look out for further details including a full race programme nearer the time and note that the day will conclude with an evening BBQ.

CHARITY RACE

Following the completion of the Enterprise Under 21 Championship on Sunday 5th September it is intended to run a charity race for all classes at 4pm. Further details will be published closer to the date.

SATURDAY SAILING

Members are encouraged to sail informally on Saturdays providing they have made adequate rescue arrangements. **From 19th June through to 21st August** it is intended that a rescue rota be organised between the hours of 2pm and 5pm. **Note that on Saturday 14th August there will be no sailing before the Bittell Bowl Fishing Competition which concludes at 2.30pm.** There will be no Saturday sailing on the days on which Open Meetings are held. (see pages 4 & 5). In addition there will be no sailing on the Saturday 13th November due to a fishing competition being held.

BOXING DAY RACING

There will be one race on Sunday 26th December. This race will be for dinghies only, to be run on an Average Lap basis. A sailboard race will be organised if there is a demand.

11am	Warning Signal
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NEW YEARS DAY RACING

There will be one race on Saturday 1st January 2011. This race will be for dinghies only, to be run on an Average Lap basis. A sailboard race will be organised if there is a demand.

1pm	Warning Signal
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BRATS (Birmingham Running and Triathlon Club)

BRATs swim on Thursday evenings from May 6th until 9th September. Sailing club members who wish to sail on Thursday evenings must stay clear of the triangle of buoys 4, 5, 6 and 9.

Anyone who would like to swim with the BRATS should contact Chris Pack on 0121 445 5023.