

UPPER THAMES SAILING CLUB

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WAYFARER (UKWA National Circuit Series Race 7) Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th October 2015.

AND OK OPEN MEETING Saturday 8th October 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

- Organising Authority** The Upper Thames Sailing Club
- Rules** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (2013 – 2016 RRS)*.
- RYA Racing Charter** Competitors should note that UTSC 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 or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter.
- Condition of Entry** Boats must have a valid certificate of measurement. Approval of the Race Committee is required in order to use a sail number other than that which is recorded on the measurement certificate.
- Boats are required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000 (two million pounds).
- Entry Fees** These are £20 for both days or £10 for one days sailing. Under 16 entries are half price.
- Early Registration** If possible please enter online before the event via the UTSC website (www.utsc.co.uk). Entry forms will be available on the day from Upper Thames SC. Further details on the poster.
- Programme**
- Saturday 8th:**
- 9:00 am Registration Opens
 - 10:00am OK Briefing
 - 11:00am Wayfarer briefing
- Wayfarers:** There will be 5 races over the weekend
Oks: There will be 4 races on Saturday 8th
- For each fleet the **Warning Signals** will be as follows:
- Saturday:**
- 10:25 am OK race 1
 - 11:25 am OK race 2 (Back to back)
 - 11.35 am Wayfarer race 1
 - lunch*
 - 13:55 pm OK race 3
 - 14:05 pm Wayfarer race 2
 - 15:15 pm OK Race 4

OK prize giving (time to be confirmed)

Sunday:

10.25 am Wayfarer race 3
11.55 am Wayfarer race 4 (**Back to back**)
lunch
13.55 pm Wayfarer race 5

Prize giving (time to be confirmed)

- Sailing Instructions** Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
- Scoring** The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply. Each boat's series score shall be the total scores of their race scores excluding the worst score providing that more than two races are sailed. If two or less races are sailed there shall be no discard.
- Trophies** The following trophies will be awarded:
- Wayfarer:**
- Splashaway Cup - awarded to the highest placed boat over the series of all five races (One discard).
- Notley Noggin - awarded to the highest placed boat sailed by a crew with the combined age of over 100 years).
- Splashaway Plaque – Awarded to the highest placed Upper Thames boat over the series of 5 races (that is not the winner of the Splashaway Cup).
- OK:**
- Yeatman Bowl - awarded to the highest placed boat over the series of all four races (One discard).
- The Windfall Cup - awarded to the winner of the first race of the OK Open.
- Finding us** Go to our web site at, <http://www.utsc.org.uk/map.asp>
- Risk Statement** RRS 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 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 omission;
 - (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;
 - (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;

- (g) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims.

Further Information

- Catering** A snack lunch will be available on the Saturday and Sunday. Breakfast for Sunday morning can be arranged with the Catering Franchisee at the club.
- Social Events** There will be a dinner with entertainment on Saturday evening in the Clubhouse, starting at 7:00 for 7:30 pm when a two course meal will be served of rich Beef Bourguignon, Potato Dauphinoise, French Green Beans and Carrot Cream followed by French Apple Tart and Cinnamon Cream.
- Live entertainment will be provided by “Damian and Fluff”**
- The cost for the dinner and entertainment will be £17. You can book via the SCM system on the UTSC website, via the UTSC notice board or directly with Emma (emms.savage1@btinternet.com). Please contact Emma direct if you have any catering preferences or dietary requirements for this dinner.
- Camping** Camping will be available on Saturday and Sunday in Sin City for participants. No electrical hook up will be provided.
- Rail safety** Please read and ensure that the instructions for the railway are followed at all times.

For more information please contact:

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Tony Ticehurst – Wayfarer Class Captain (wayfarercaptain@utsc.org.uk) or Mobile: 0787 956 3500

RAILWAY SAFETY

UTSC ACCESS

Access to the club is across a Railway Line. At all times event participants, visitors, members and guests must adhere to the regulations regarding the use of the railway crossing, as displayed on the crossing gates and the club notice board. It is essential to the club's future that the continued use of the crossing is ensured and that the good relations with the railway authorities are maintained.

There are pedestrian gates and boat crossing gates.

All persons must use the pedestrian gates. If a train horn is heard you must stay outside the crossing gates with the gates closed. A train is approaching, even if out of sight, so do not cross, but wait for the train to pass, standing OUTSIDE the CLOSED gate.

When the line is clear please cross quickly and close all gates behind you. Do not try to carry too much kit across at one time.

Boat crossing gates: Railway rules state that both gates must be fully open before starting to bring boats across. Do not take a boat across on your own.

Please minimise repeat visits across the railway line to minimise risk.

There is a published railway timetable but trains do not always run to time.

Please ensure that all visitors and spectators who may arrive independently are thoroughly briefed about railway safety.

THANK YOU