



**LITTLETON SAILING CLUB 2024
Notice of Race
Comet and Solo Open Meeting.**

The date of the event is Sunday 15th September 2024.

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Organising Authority:

Littleton Sailing Club, Shepperton, Middlesex, England. TW17 0NF.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing “The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024”, “The Equipment Rules of Sailing” and The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter, and prescriptions.
- 1.2 The Littleton Sailing Club General Instructions and Sailing Instructions and appropriate Class Association Rules will apply.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to
 - (a) boats of the Comet class (with Standard, Xtra, White Xtra or Mino rig).
 - (b) boats of the National Solo class
- 2.2 Registration will open at 9.30 am on the day, where Entry Forms will be available for competitors to complete. In completing an Entry Form, competitors agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules governing the event.
- 2.3 The event will be restricted to 50 boats.

3. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee will be £13.00 per boat. Under 18 £9.00 per boat. A Littleton member's discount will apply.

4. SCHEDULE

It is planned to run three races, the first race start will be scheduled for 11.00am, and the following two races at times to be advised on the day. If three races are held, two will count for overall positions. If only two races are held, all will count.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available in the Clubhouse on the day of the event. Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Club Notice Board on the day.

6. VENUE

Littleton Lake, Littleton Lane, Shepperton, Middlesex, TW17 0NF.

Approximately three miles from Junction 11 on M25. What3words: fish.amber.fits

7. THE COURSES

Course(s) to be sailed will be displayed on the day.

8. SCORING

Scoring will be as per Appendix A of "The Racing Rules of Sailing". The Low Point System will be used.

9. PRIZES

The number of prizes to be awarded will be for at least the first three places overall in the event.

10. NOMINATION OF RIG

Comet competitors shall nominate which type of rig they will use (Standard rig, Xtra rig, White Xtra rig or Mino rig) before racing. A Comet Competitor shall use the same type of rig for all races.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Competitors participate in the event(s) entirely at their own risk. See "The Racing Rules of Sailing" Fundamental Rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, and Littleton Sailing Club, its officers, officials, and members will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

11.1 A boat/competitor is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

11.2 It is for the boat/competitor to decide whether it is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching, the boat confirms that it is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

11.3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners/competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the race(s). The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the races and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer(s), Safety boat crews.

11.4 The provision of safety boats does not relieve boat owners/competitors of their responsibilities.

12. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Racing Rules of Sailing Fundamental Rule 3 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 events organised by Littleton Sailing Club, each competitor, member or visitor, agrees and acknowledges that:

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 such events;

They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;

They accept responsibility for any injury, damage, or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

The provision of a race management team, safety boats and other officials and volunteers by Littleton Sailing Club does not relieve competitors, members, or visitors of their responsibilities; The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances, particularly in extreme weather conditions.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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 and any other similar devices.

15. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be allowed in accordance with the Class rules of the Comet and Solo Associations.

16. PHOTOGRAPHY

The club may arrange for photographs and/or video at the event for the purposes of promoting the club. The club will seek consent to use any images which personally identify an individual.

17. PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the events. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and other rules that govern the event (the rules) the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the Class Association, RYA, your national authority and /or World Sailing.

The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact either the Comet Class Captain johnchik.jd@gmail.com or Solo class captain simon.derham@talk21.com