



Chichester Yacht Club Notice of Race

CYC Merlin Rocket Open Meeting 2010

A Merlin Rocket Silver Tiller Event

Organising Authority: Chichester Yacht Club.

National Authority: Royal Yachting Association.

1 Rules

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012*.

Competitors should note that Chichester Yacht Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and expects competitors to sail in compliance with the charter.

2 Advertising

Advertising on hulls, spars and sails is permitted as long as it is appropriate and in the spirit of ISAF regulation 20.

3 Definitions

The event is the CYC Merlin Rocket Open Meeting 2010, A Merlin Rocket Silver Tiller Event.

The event organisers encompass the organising authority, the race committee and the event support team. The race committee encompasses the principal race officer, the committee boat crew, the patrol boat personnel and the beach master, while the event support team encompasses all others that help run this event.

Young competitors are those under 18 years of age on the 21st March 2010.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the National Merlin Rocket class.

4.2 Boats needing to sail with sail numbers differing from those under which they enter must seek approval from the race committee via the entry desk prior to the first race in which they sail with the changed numbers.

4.3 During the event the parent's or guardian's of young competitors shall either be in or around Chichester Yacht Club or afloat participating in the event, or will inform the event organisers in writing who is acting in loco parentis on their behalf. During the event any persons acting in loco parentis shall either be in or around Chichester Yacht Club or afloat participating in the event.

4.4 Eligible competitors may enter at the entry desk in the sloop at Chichester Yacht Club on any day of the event. A parent, guardian or person acting in loco parentis of all young competitors shall sign the entry form accepting the "Parent's or guardian's declaration regarding young competitors".

4.5 Entry Fees:

Entry fee per boat: £15.

plus, Harbour dues, if not already paid: £3.50.

5 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 that is valid for this event and those sailing the boat.

6 Racing Schedule:

Total number of races planned on 21st March 2010: 3.

Date	High Water	Height	Briefing	Warning Signal of First Race
Sun 21 st March 2010	14:55	4.3m	12:00	12:55

Stated warning signal times are for the first race of the event.

Subsequent races shall follow immediately after the preceding race.

7 Scoring

- 7.1 The Low Point Scoring System as defined in Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply.
- 7.2 One race is to be completed to constitute a series.
- 7.3 When 1 or 2 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 7.4 When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores but excluding her worst score.

8 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for the competitors to decide whether their boat and those that will sail it during the event are fit to sail in the conditions they might find. Each competitor is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing and is also responsible for wearing adequate clothing for the conditions. By launching competitors confirm that their boat and those sailing it are competent to sail and compete in the event and are adequately clothed for the conditions.

The event organisers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the competitors or accompanying persons as a result of attending or taking part in this event and those attending this event indemnifies the event organisers against all and any costs, claims, demands and liabilities in respect of the same.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve persons in charge, competitors and those accompanying competitors of their responsibilities.

9 Supporting Information

- 9.1 Sailing instructions and entry forms will be available at registration and may be available to download via CYC's web sites (www.cyc.co.uk and www.cycresults.btinternet.co.uk).
- 9.2 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available during this event.
- 9.3 Courses will be set and races will be held on the waters known as Chichester Lake.
- 9.4 To sail to the starting area once launched should take no more than 20 minutes.
- 9.5 Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the sailing instructions.
- 9.6 Results will be posted on CYC's web sites.
- 9.7 Support boats attending this event shall register at the entry desk during any registration period.
- 9.8 Competitors shall accept that photographs of their boat and its crew could be taken whilst attending this event.
- 9.9 In entering this event, competitors automatically grant the organising authority and Class Association the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, without compensation.

10 Further Information

10.1 Club contact details:

Chichester Yacht Club, Chichester Marina, Chichester, West Sussex, UK, PO20 7EJ.

Tel: 01243 512918, Web site: www.cyc.co.uk, Email: secretary@cyc.co.uk.

10.2 Road Trailers:

Competitors are asked not to leave road trailers in the car park, but to move them to the dinghy park or other area designated for the purpose.

10.3 Harbour Dues:

The harbour dues paid at this event are for sailing on Chichester Harbour for the whole week for vessels between 3.01m and 5.20m LOA.