



Sailing Instructions for Comet Open on 22 June 2024

The Event – will be hosted by Eyott Sailing Club on the River Crouch. Launching and recovery will be at Up River Yacht Club (Postcode: SS5 6PA). There is plenty of free parking space on-site. The event is for single handed Comets. Entrance fee is £zero. If possible, please let us know you are going to attend the Open Meeting by the Thursday evening before the event by sending an email to andrewdale71@hotmail.co.uk

Insurance - each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000.

The briefing - will be held at Up River Yacht Club at 11.45 with a planned launch time of 12.00. Depending on weather the start line is approximately a 10-minute sail from the launch site. High Water locally is 14.03.

Race format - 2 scheduled races of approximately 45 minutes duration. The first race is scheduled to start at approximately 12.30. Please see second page with location of racing marks and both sailing clubs

The start area - will be in the vicinity of Miles/Olympic buoys and will be from a committee boat. There is an option is for the OOD to be on shore, depending on weather conditions.

Start sequence – This will be **5-4-1-0** In addition there will be a 'warning' two hoots sounded 2 minutes before the 5-minute gun. Boats shall pass through start line on commencement of each lap. The **Second race** will start as soon as possible after the last boat finishes the first race – using the same starting procedure as for the first race.

Course – These will be set on the day using - Horse, Miles, Olympic, and River. Displayed on the committee boat.

Touching a mark - The following shall apply in lieu of ISAF Rule 31.2. When a dinghy touches a mark surrounded by navigable water, she may exonerate herself by completing the rounding of the mark, leaving it on the required side and thereafter re-rounding it or re-passing it without touching it.

Finish – Will be when the lead boat passes through a line between the committee boat and last mark after 45/50minutes has elapsed. The second race will finish at Eyott SC club line - subject to wind conditions on the day.

Scoring - If results are tied, positions will be decided on 2nd place positions.



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