



Mengeham Rythe Sailing Club

The Organising Authority



1. Rules

The Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. Conditions of Entry

1. Entries will be accepted up to 18:00 on **Saturday 21st July 2018**. All applications after 21st July will be added to the waiting list and will be considered for entry at the discretion of the committee.
2. By entering all competitors shall become honorary members of the Mengeham Rythe Sailing Club for the period of the Regatta.
3. The parent/guardian of each competitor must complete an entry form, accept the risk statement and disclaimers of liability included, and agree to grant to the organising authority the right to make use and show any reports, results or pictures (without attribution of competitor's name) relating to the event without payment.
4. Boats shall be insured for at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.
5. Boats must have legible sail numbers and shall fly the coloured streamers designating their fleet provided at registration. Trolleys must be clearly marked with name and sail number.
6. The parent/guardian of each competitor is responsible for ensuring that their child/ward is wearing adequate personal buoyancy whilst afloat and suitable clothing for the weather conditions. Wet or dry suits do not constitute personal buoyancy.
7. Competitors must be over the age of 7 on 30th June 2018 and under the age of 18 on 30th June 2018.
8. Boats must launch and recover from Mengeham Rythe Sailing Club.

3. Entry & Registration

Entry forms are available on-line at the MRSC website (www.mengeham.org.uk) or paper copies may be downloaded or collected at the clubhouse. **Please complete the form on-line and make your payment via bank transfer. Your place will not be confirmed until payment has been received. To pay by cheque, please make it payable to: MRSC and send to MRSC Junior Racing Week Registration, Marine Walk, Hayling Island, PO11 9PG or post in Committee Room post box no later than 18:00 on Saturday 21st July.**

To encourage early entries and help us with our planning, all entries received after 8th July will be charged a £10 Late Booking Surcharge. Final Registration and boat parking will take place at the Club on Sunday 29th July 2018 between 15:45 & 17:45. Please note it is the owner's responsibility to ensure that their boat complies with the boats class rules.

4. Fees:

For the week (Red, Blue, Green fleets)	Two-handed boat £70.00	Single-handed £50.00	GOLD FLEET(includes use of club Optimist) £70
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5. **Fleets/Classes** Class status will be given for classes with sufficient entries. MRSC reserves the right to make any changes to the Fleet set up.

Red Fleet Fast Handicap (H'cap PY 1143 and below)
Slow Handicap (H'cap PY 1290 – 1142)
Laser Radial (H'cap 1142), Laser 4.7, RS Tera and Optimists (if entry sufficient)

Blue Fleet Medium / Slow Handicap (Feva's) (H'cap 1175 and below)
Topper Learners (if entry sufficient)/RS Tera (if entry sufficient)
Optimist (experience required and if entry sufficient)

Green Fleet Optimists/Tera(starting to race); sailors who are competent in completing a triangular course and wanting to learn or improve their understanding of racing.



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They will confirm their knowledge of the start sequence, flags and rules of racing through a coached mini race series over the week.

Gold Fleet Gold Fleet sailors must have completed at least one week's sail training and achieved RYA Stage 1 or have the equivalent experience. The numbers are limited to 10, on a first come basis, with first refusal given to Mengeham Rythe members. There will be a separate waiting list for Non-members should any places not be filled with by Mengeham Rythe members. Gold fleet will follow a programme designed to build confidence & seamanship with fun & games on & off the water & a cruise & picnic. A mini racing series will be run. All land based, and water activity will be at the discretion of the Fleet Race Officer.

6.1 Programme:

Each morning, there will be a competitor briefing in the Club House for everyone. **Competitors in Red & Blue fleets must be rigged and changed for sailing BEFORE** the briefing. **Gold fleet timings please check Fleet instructions. Gold Fleet will launch after Red, Blue & Green fleets**

Warning Signal Will be five minutes before the start.

Start Times	Red Fleet	Blue Fleet	Green Fleets
Monday 30th	High tide 14:09; height 4.5m		
Briefing	Club house 10:45	Club house 10:45	Club house 10:45
Race 1	Pilsey Sands 13:00	West Mud 13:15	West Mud 13:30
Race 2	Straight after Race 1	Straight after Race 1	Straight after Race 1

Tuesday 31st	High tide 14:41; height 4.5m		
Briefing	Club house 11:30	Club house 11:30	Club house 11:30
Race 3	Pilsey Sands 13:30	West Mud 13:45	West Mud 14:00
Race 4	Straight after Race 3	Straight after Race 3	Straight after Race 3

Evening: Remote controlled yacht racing tournament, Fish and Chip Van and Bar at the Salt Pond. Please note that car parking will be limited with **NO PARKING by Pond** to ensure the safety of the tournament participants. We ask for your cooperation on this day.

Wednesday 1st	High tide 15:14; height 4.5m		
Briefing	Club House 12:00	Club House 12:00	Club House 12:00
Race 5	Pilsey Sands 14:00	West Mud 14:15	West Mud 14:30
Race 6	Straight after Race 5	Straight after Race 5	Straight after Race 5
Race 7	Straight after Race 6	Straight after Race 6	Straight after Race 6

Thursday 2nd	High tide 15:51; height 4.4m		
Briefing	Club House 12:30	Club House 12:30	Club House 12:30
Race 8	Pilsey Sands 14:30	West Mud 14:45	West Mud 15:00
Race 9	Straight after Race 7	Straight after Race 7	Straight after Race 7

Evening: The Traditional MRSC BBQ followed by a Disco evening

Friday 3rd	High tide 16:33 height 4.3m		
Briefing	Club House 13:30	Club House 13:30	Club House 13:30
Race 10	Pilsey Sands 15:30	West Mud 15:45	West Mud 16:00

18.00 pm Approx. Prize Giving with a special guest



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- 6.2 The actual number of races on any day may be varied (including being brought forward) in the light of forecast weather conditions but no more than four races shall be sailed on any one day.
- 6.3 **Scoring:** if 4 races in the series are sailed, there shall be 1 discard, if 5 to 7 races are sailed there shall be 2 discards and if 8 - 10 races are sailed there shall be 3 discards.
7. **Safety:** Each Competitor shall take a **wristband**, allocated to them on entry, from the board on the slipway prior to their launch on each day. Failure to do so may result in the boat receiving points for a non-starter. Wristbands shall be returned to the **onshore official** within 30 minutes of coming ashore. Failure to do so may result in the boat receiving points for retired after finishing.
8. **Sailing instructions** for RED, BLUE, GREEN and the GOLD fleet programme will be posted on the web site no later than 2 weeks before the event and copies will be available in the club house at registration on Sunday 29th July between 15.45 & 17:45
9. During all fleet races **spectator boats** are to remain 100 metres outside the course area at all times. If there is an infringement of this rule any competitors who are connected to the spectators will be disqualified from the associated race.

Boat Hire

Having the use of a boat is a prerequisite for entering Junior Week. For those who do not yet own a boat, the club has a limited number of club boats available. These are allocated to full Mengeham members on a first come first served basis before 8th July and thereafter are available to other competitors. Please refer to the MRSC Junior Boat Hire Conditions on our website. For availability please email boathire@mengeham.org.uk

In Gold Fleet, you will use a Club Optimist and this hire fee is included your entry fee. Please note that you will not be allocated a specific boat and you may be asked to share at the request of the Fleet Race Officer.

Photographs

On certain days the club may have a photographer/drone on the water to capture the action.

Disclaimer

The Club and its representatives cannot accept any responsibility for the welfare of any minor left unsupervised at the Club. Your attention is drawn to the General and Racing disclaimers at the end of the Entry Form.

Social Events

There will be food available for competitors and their families at the Club House before and after racing. On Tuesday 31st July, we will be running a DragonForce 65 Remote Controlled Yacht Racing Tournament throughout the day for each of the fleets and inviting senior/adult, "Black Fleets" to enter a team. The grand final will take place at the Pond with the Fish n'Chip Van in attendance starting at 6.00pm. There will also be an alfresco Opi Bar and Beers. By popular demand we have the renowned Barbeque meal and disco evening on Thursday 2nd August time to be confirmed at briefing.

Camping

There is a limited facility on a first come first served basis, for families participating in Junior Week to camp in the club's field. Anyone wishing to camp must apply in advance for permission from the Commodore, Joanna Lewis (commodore@mengeham.org.uk). All Juniors must be accompanied by an adult. Due to the close proximity of local residents, any disturbance will result in this facility being removed. **Although the club does not charge for camping, a donation to The Jeremy Strugnell Fund is suggested.** The donations can be paid by way of a cheque made out to The Jeremy Strugnell Fund. The suggested minimum donation for camping is £20.



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Single Use Plastics Policy

Please note that as part of our commitment to protect our environment and Chichester Harbour, the club will no longer be selling bottled water. We have installed additional drinking water taps and ask that you bring your own reusable bottle.

50th Mengeham Race Week Hoodies

To celebrate 50 years of fantastic Junior Weeks, we have designed a special Hoodie for both Juniors and Adults. To order your hoodies please go to our Mengeham Shop

Alcohol

In accordance with Club rules, no person under 18 may buy or consume alcoholic drinks whilst on Club premises.