



**Marconi Sailing Club**  
**Dart 15 & Shearwater Summer TT**  
**20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024**  
**Notice of Race**



**1. RULES**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the R.Y.A. and the rules of the Dart 15 Association and Shearwater Association, except as any of these are changed by the event Sailing Instructions.

**2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available in advance of the event at [www.marconi-sc.org.uk/sailing/marconi-dart-tt-20th-21st-april/](http://www.marconi-sc.org.uk/sailing/marconi-dart-tt-20th-21st-april/). No paper copies will be provided.

**3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

3.1 Eligible boats may enter by submitting an on-line entry form together with the required fee by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April – [www.marconi-sc.org.uk/sailing/marconi-dart-tt-20th-21st-april/](http://www.marconi-sc.org.uk/sailing/marconi-dart-tt-20th-21st-april/)

3.2 Saturday evening meals may also be purchased in advance by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April at £15 for main course and a dessert. Please book online with your entry via link above.

3.7 Late entries can be accepted on the day by registering at Marconi SC with an additional fee of £10. Evening meals may not be available on the day.

3.6 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

3.7 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations either by post or at registration.

**3.8 Dart 15 TT Entries:**

3.8.1 Racing is open only to fully paid-up members of the Dart 15 Class Association and to members of Marconi Sailing Club. To join, please go to [www.dart15.co.uk/join](http://www.dart15.co.uk/join)

3.8.2 Boats may enter in any format – Una Rig, Two up or Sport Mode.

3.8.3 Boats must sail every race of the event in the mode used in the first race. Boats may not change modes during the event.

3.8.4 The PY numbers specified by the Class Association will be applied as follows:

Una Rig / 2 Up – 926

Sport Mode – 894

**4. FEES**

4.1 Entry fees are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Dart 15 (Una Rig, Two Up, Sport Mode) Shearwater	£35
Dart 15 Youth Helm Entry Shearwater Youth Helm Entry (age 18 or under at Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)	£20

**5. ADVERTISING**

5.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

**6. SCHEDULE**

6.1 Briefing: The briefing will take place at 10:00am on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024 in the clubhouse.

6.2 Schedule of Racing:

Day	Race Schedule	Start	High Water
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Race 1 Race 2 (back to back) Race 3 (back to back)	No earlier than 11:30am After Race 1 After Race 2	11:34
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Race 4 Race 5 (back to back) Race 6 / planned Long Distance Race (back to back)	No earlier than 10am After Race 4 After Race 5	12:18

No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

The proposed racing schedule consists of a series of five “round the cans” races plus a stand alone long distance race. However, at the discretion of the race committee, races may be moved between Saturday and Sunday to maximise the opportunity to complete all races in the event. This may include changes to the planned long distance race, including substitution of this race for a “round the cans” race. However, racing on either day will not start earlier than the times specified above.

## 7. VENUE

The regatta will be held at Marconi Sailing Club, Stansgate Road, Steeple, Essex CM0 7NU

## 8. COURSES

Racing will take place on the River Blackwater. Courses will be advised in the Sailing Instructions and Competitor Briefing. The intention is for one race to be the Marconi Long Distance Race

9. **PENALTIES** A penalty shall comprise one turn including one tack and one gybe. This changes Rule 44.1.

## 10. SCORING

10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 Discards

Races	Discards
1 – 3 races completed	No discard
4 or more races completed	1 discard

10.3 The low points scoring system in Appendix A will be used. Additionally, scoring as set out in clause A5.3 will apply.

## 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 12. PRIVACY STATEMENT:

The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the 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 RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

### 13. RISK STATEMENT:

Rule 3 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 omissions;
- (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 organizer 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

### 14. INSURANCE:

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

### 15. CONFLICT BETWEEN NOR AND SIs

If there is a conflict between NOR and SIs (and amendments), the SIs will prevail.

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Free onsite overnight camping (including campervans and caravans) on Saturday night ONLY. Regrettably camping is not permitted on other nights. For other Accommodation options please visit [www.marconi-sc.org.uk/about-marconi-sailing-club/accommodation](http://www.marconi-sc.org.uk/about-marconi-sailing-club/accommodation)

16.2 Stansgate Road is single track with intermittent passing places – please drive slowly and carefully. Please also adhere to the speed limits through our local villages.

16.3 A full galley service will be available – CASH ONLY. Card payments can be accepted in the bar. Please let Jenny know **in advance** of any specific dietary requirements.

16.4 Boats can be dropped off on Friday afternoon / evening BY PRE-ARRANGEMENT ONLY as someone needs to be there to let you in! Contact Jenny if you need to arrange this.

16.5 Any queries, please contact Jenny on [jenny@sprint15.com](mailto:jenny@sprint15.com)

Shore Side Schedule		
Friday	From 3pm	Boat drop off available – please email Jenny to arrange someone to be there to let you in to club.
Saturday	9:00am 10:00am After sailing	Galley Open for Breakfast Competitor Briefing Galley open for hot drinks/snacks
	6:30pm  <i>Overnight</i>	Evening meal (pre-book with your entry) Evening Social and Bar Open Free onsite camping/campervan Sat night only.
Sunday	8:30am Asap after racing	Galley open for breakfast and all day Prizegiving