



THORPE BAY YACHT CLUB

Notice of Race and Supplementary Sailing Instructions Laser Pico Nationals 21st & 22nd June 2008

To be held at: Thorpe Bay Yacht Club, 115 Thorpe Bay Gardens,
Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 3NW
Telephone (01702) 587563

Rules: Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA and the class rules, except if any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, the Thorpe Bay Yacht Club Open Meeting Sailing Instructions and the Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

Eligibility and Entry: The regatta is open to Laser Picos
Entry to the regatta is by completing the registration form and paying the required fee. All entrants under 18 must also complete a parental consent form to validate their entry. Entry forms and parental consent forms are available from the club website www.tbyc.org or from the club secretary. Laser Picos can be sailed 2 handed or single handed without age limit with the following PY handicap:

1263 – Sport/ Race Mainsail – Single Handed

1269 – Sport/ Race Main & Jib – Double Handed

1332 – Training Mainsail – Single Handed

1338 – Training Main & Jib – Double Handed

Rig type and handicap must be maintained throughout the event.

Entry Fees - £20 per two man boat and £15 per single handed boat .

Disclaimer of Liability & Insurance: Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

It is for the competitors to decide whether they are fit to sail in the conditions in which they will find themselves. By launching or going to sea, competitors confirm that they are fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them.

Competitors are required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000 per event.

Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of 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 their taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.

Schedule of Races

Saturday 21st June 2008		High Water – 15.01
Briefing in clubhouse at 11.30	Warning Signal	
Race 1. Laser Picos	Laser Class Flag	12.55
Race 2 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 1 Race 3 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 2		
Sunday 22nd June 2008		High Water – 15.38
	Warning Signal	
Race 4. Laser Picos	Laser Class Flag	13.25
Race 5 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 4 Race 6 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 5		

Sailing Instructions: These will be available in the clubhouse at registration or from the Club website www.tbyc.org

Changes to Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions: All changes will be posted at least two hours before the start of the race it will affect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 19.00 on the day before it will take effect.

Venue: The racing area will be to the south of TBYC.

Scoring: Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if four or more races have been completed. If only one, two or three races are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.

Courses: The course to be sailed will be as detailed in the sailing instructions

Food and Bar Service: Food and drink will be available in the clubhouse. Breakfast will be served from 9am on both days. The bar will be open from 11.00 until 23.00 on Saturday and from 12.00 until 23.00 on Sunday. An informal meal will be available between 17.00 and 19.00 on Saturday evening, which is included in the entry fee. Additional meals for non-competitors can be ordered on the entry form for an additional £5.50.

Prize-giving: In the clubhouse as soon as possible after completion of racing on Sunday.

Further information can be found at: www.tbyc.org.uk

Or from: **Shaun Christian**
E-mail sdchristian@aol.com or phone 01702 587973

Due to the numbers expected we would welcome parents with RIBS to act as additional support boats. Please contact Shaun Christian at the above E-mail if you can help. A safety briefing will be held at 11.00 in the club bar for all support boat crews and beach crews.