



**RUTLAND CHALLENGE FOR THE JOHN MERRICKS TIGER TROPHY.FEB 6th &
7th 2010 .
NOTICE OF RACE**

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority will be Rutland Sailing Club and the John Merricks Sailing Trust
- 1.3 All boats will be required to sail according to their respective class rules, particularly regarding WEIGHT EQUALISING rules. However, under Rule 87, class rules which permit pumping, rocking and ooching in certain wind conditions and/or change penalty turns (rules 44.1 and 44.2) are suspended for the purposes of this regatta.
- 1.4 Competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority, event sponsors and their agents without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to the competitors, unless otherwise advised in writing prior to the Regatta

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 There will be no restrictions on advertising.
- 2.2 The full series covers all races over the week-end and competitors behaviour on RSC premises. RRS Rule 69 Action by a Protest Committee apply at all times regarding "a gross breach of a rule, good manners or sportsmanship"

3.ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all centreboard classes with a PY number below 1175. Classes above this will be permitted to enter but will have to sail to PY 1175.
- 3.2 Entries by persons under 18 years old must be counter signed by their parents or guardians.
- 3.3 An on-line entry form is available at www.tiger-trophy.com
- 3.4 The minimum contribution will be £35 per boat (£25 single hander).
- 3.5 Competitors are requested to enter in advance but late entries will be accepted.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration will be in the upstairs lounge at RSC from 08:00 hrs
- 4.2 A competitor briefing will be held at 11:00 hrs in the upstairs wet bar on Saturday and 10.00am on Sunday for the pursuit race
- 4.3 There will be three General Handicap races on Saturday. The Warning signal of the first race will be 11:55 hrs & races 2 & 3 will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. There will be a Pursuit race on Sunday and the first class will start at 11:00 hrs

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration and may also be published in advance on the event website, www.tiger-trophy.com.

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1 Trapezoid courses will be sailed on Saturday with alternatives at the discretion of the Race Committee. The fleet will be split into two groups – Fast and Slow based on PY's.



There will be separate start for each group. The PY split between groups will be notified to competitors before the briefing on Saturday.

7. SCORING

7.1 Saturday races will be on an Average Lap Basis to determine race positions. The Race Committee will determine the PY numbers to be used and a list of classes and their numbers will be posted on the official notice board, along with start times for the Pursuit race on Sunday.

7.2 Four races are scheduled of which one race is required to be completed to constitute a series

7.3 When three general Handicap races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score from the General Handicap races plus the pursuit race (i.e the Pursuit is non-discardable)

8. PRIZES

i) The overall winners of the series will receive the "John Merricks Tiger Trophy" together with individual prizes. ii) The first placed all girl crew, if not the outright winners, will receive the 'John Merricks Lady Tiger Trophy'.iii) The leading combined crew with the age of 75 or a single helm over 45 will win the 'Shere Khan' Trophy iv) All helms and crews finishing in the top ten will receive prizes and individual Class (Minimum 6 entries) and Youth prizes will also be presented. v) The winners of the Sunday Pursuit race will receive the 'John Merricks Handicap Trophy'

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

9.1 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 competitor to decide whether they are fit to sail in the conditions in which they will find themselves. By launching or going to sea, a competitor confirms that their boat is fit for those conditions and they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the 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 the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event and include the organizing authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beachmasters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.

10. INSURANCE

10.1 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000

11. CONFLICT BETWEEN NOR AND SI'S

11.1 If there is a conflict between NOR and SI's (and amendments), the SI's will prevail.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1 For further information, check the event website www.tiger-trophy.com or contact Rutland Sailing Club