



# Notice of Race

The David Haw Memorial Trophy 2025

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025



Organising Authority (OA): University of Bristol Sailing Club, Royal Southern Yacht Club, Royal Thames Yacht Club in conjunction with BKL

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. The David Haw Memorial Trophy is held by the University of Bristol Sailing Club, Royal Southern Yacht Club, and Royal Thames Yacht Club in memory of UBSC alumni David Haw.
- 1.2. This event forms part of the British Keelboat League (event 10).
- 1.3. The event is run in J/70 type keelboats provided by the Organising Authority.
- 1.4. There will be more Teams than boats, with each Team being scheduled to race in a selection of races against as many different Teams as equitably possible.
- 1.5. Details and entry for other BKL Qualification Events is available via [www.britishkeelboatleague.co.uk](http://www.britishkeelboatleague.co.uk).
- 1.6. Details and entry for the BKL Series Final is available via [events.ksail.co.uk/2025/BKLFinal](http://events.ksail.co.uk/2025/BKLFinal).
- 1.7. The RYA Racing Charter is in effect and competitors are expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at [www.rya.org.uk/racingrules](http://www.rya.org.uk/racingrules).

## 2. Rules

- 2.1. The event will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2. Races will be umpired; rule changes can be found in Attachment UF.
- 2.3. RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat except whilst on an anchored Hotel Vessel.

## 3. Event Details

- 3.1. The Official Noticeboard can be found on the event webpage - <https://events.ksail.co.uk/2025/BKLUoB/>
- 3.2. The schedule, and results, can be found on the kSail webpage - <https://events.ksail.co.uk/2025/BKLUoB/>

## 4. Entry

- 4.1. The entry fee will be £420 before 2359 on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, 2025 and £450 afterwards.
- 4.2. Entries can be made after the 21<sup>st</sup> of May 2025.
- 4.3. Entries can be made online via the University of Bristol Student's Union website, no later than 2359 on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2025. Entries may be accepted after this date at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority. (<https://www.bristolsu.org.uk/groups/university-of-bristol-sailing-club-0225/events>)
- 4.4. Entries will initially be limited to 12 teams, but this limit may be increased at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Entries will be allocated solely at the discretion of the organising authority

## 5. Eligibility

- 5.1. The number of crew, including helm, is between 4 and 5. There are no weight limits.
- 5.2. All crew under 18 years of age must provide a completed parent/guardian consent form at registration. The helm must be aged over 18 years.
- 5.3. Teams will compete using a team name, this can be a club, class association, school, university, or a name that has relevance to the team.
- 5.4. There are no gender requirements for this event, although mixed gender crews are strongly encouraged. Crews should be aware of the requirements of invitation to enter the BKL Series Final.

**6. Event Format and Schedule**

6.1.

Day:	Time:	Activity:
Saturday	0800 – 0900	Registration
	0900	Competitors’ Briefing
	1000	Dock Out
	1100	First Start
Sunday	0900	Dock Out
	1000	First Start
	1500	Last Permissible Warning Signal

**7. Scoring**

7.1. Races will be scored using a High Point System as defined in the SIs. There will be no discards.

**8. Sailing Instructions**

8.1. Will be posted on the Official Noticeboard on the event webpage.

**9. Damage**

- 9.1. By entering, Teams agree to be bound by the damage requirements as found in NoR Attachment X (published as a separate document).
- 9.2. A damage deposit is not required before racing however each boat is liable for up to £1000 of associated costs due to damage as a result of any one incident (this includes boats, sails, equipment, and property).
- 9.3. Damage costs attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams.

**10. Prizes and Onward Qualification**

- 10.1. The David Haw Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the highest ranked team.
- 10.2. Additional trophies and prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
- 10.3. Qualification to the BKL Series Final
  - (a) The highest ranked team where all crew are in full time education, aged under 25 and the skipper is over 15 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 will receive invitation to the Series Final.
  - (b) Additionally, the three highest ranked teams that meet the Series Final entry requirements, will receive invitations to enter the Series Final
  - (c) Invitations to the Series Final shall be accepted within 28 days of the end of the relevant qualification event. Invitations not accepted by this time will be assumed to have been declined and the invitation will be issued to the next ranked team from the same qualification event.
- 10.4. Additional invitations for wildcard entries to the Series Final may be issued at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority of the Series Final.

## **11. Advertising and Sponsorship**

- 11.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.
- 11.2. The organising authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

## **12. Support Person Vessels**

- 12.1. All Support Person Vessels must register with the Race Committee before the entry deadline at which time they will be issued with a Support Person Rules document which they shall comply with.

## **13. Media, Images and Sound**

- 13.1. When required, supplied media personnel, equipment or dummies shall be carried on board while racing.
- 13.2. Any member of a Crew may be required to wear provided devices that may record, transmit or provide two way communication and; will make themselves available for interviews when requested by Organising Authority.
- 13.3. Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of supplied media equipment.
- 13.4. The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event and may be shared with the British Keelboat League and other third party organisations; a list of whom may be obtained by contacting the Organising Authority. 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.
- 13.5. By participating in this event competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make use and show at their discretion any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

## **14. 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.

- 14.1. By taking part in the event, every 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) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the OA does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
  - (e) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
  - (f) It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to the host venue or the 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.
  - (g) It is their responsibility to ensure that they are familiar with the type of boat used, and the supplied equipment and are suitably experienced with its operation.
  - (h) It is their responsibility for ensuring all supplied equipment is carried on board.
  - (i) They are fit to sail and that they believe the crew and the boat and crew is capable of competing in the anticipated conditions.

**15. Cancellation Policy**

15.1. Refunds will be issued as follows:

- (a) If entry is withdrawn by the competitor before the entry deadline, a full refund (less a £10 admin fee) will be issued.
- (b) If entry is withdrawn by the competitor after the entry deadline, no refund will be issued.
- (c) If entry is withdrawn by the Organising Authority, or if the Organising Authority decide in advance not to run the event, a full refund will be issued.