



Supernova Winter Championships

Bowmoor Sailing Club, Lechlade, Gloucestershire GL7 3DT: Saturday 25th February 2023

Entries are invited from competitors for the Supernova Class.

Organised by BOWMOOR SAILING CLUB and the Supernova Class Association



1. **Rules:** Races will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024 except as they are changed by Bowmoor SC Open Meeting sailing instructions, Supernova Class Rules, the prescriptions of the RYA and this Notice of Race.

Racing Rules 27.1 and 40 will be changed to the effect that buoyancy aids are compulsory. The changes appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. Competitors should note that Bowmoor Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book and at the point of event entry.

2. **Eligibility:** The regatta is open to all boats of the Supernova Class only. Eligible boats may enter by registering in advance on the Bowmoor.com website with full payment of the entry fee. All Entrants must be a paid-up member of the Supernova Class for 2023 (joining is possible at registration but with Cash only - £20 Class Fee).
3. **Entry & Fee:** ENTRY MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE on the Bowmoor SC event page: <https://bowmoor.com/supernova-winter-championship-2023/> with an entry fee of £20. **THERE IS A LIMIT OF 50 BOATS MAXIMUM. The event desk will be open from 09.00 and will check your registration details and that you hold valid Class Membership for the 2023 year.** You will also be provided with a meal token. The Registration Fee includes tea/coffee on arrival and a hot lunch with vegetarian meal option (please advise in advance).
4. **Schedule:** Three 45 minute races are scheduled for the event, with two results to count. A competitors' briefing will be held in the club house at 10h30. Start times will be approximately as follows:
 - 1st Race start: 11h00
 - 2nd Race start: as soon as possible after 1st Race (back-to-back)
 - 3rd Race start: 14h00

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10h55.

A '5-4-1-0' starting sequence will be used.

5. **Sailing Instructions:** The Bowmoor Club Sailing Instructions are available on the club website: www.bowmoor.com under 'Racing>Open Meetings>Events'. The Sis contain information on the marks used at Bowmoor. You are advised to download/read the Sis in advance of the event.
6. **Courses:** The course for each race will be set by the OOD at least 10 minutes prior to the start of each race.
7. **Scoring:** The low points scoring system will be used. 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score as the

discard. For series ties - RRS rule A8 applies. In the event only one race is sailed, the Championship prizes will be awarded based on the result of that race.

8. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded for 1st – 3rd places. Additional prizes may be awarded.
9. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; see RRS Rule 4 'Decision to Race'. *Bowmoor Sailing Club will not accept any liability for material damage, accident or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.*
10. **Insurance:** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least £2,000,000 or the equivalent.
11. **Wind Strengths:** The Class Association will advise by the usual channels (website, social media, email) by 6pm the previous day if the event is due to be cancelled due to any adverse forecast weather conditions (wind, snow, ice). Please bear in mind that at this time of year there may be Atlantic storms which will increase the chance of event cancellation. Please consider the Met Office forecasts in advance.
 - 11.1 Races will not be started unless the Race Officer is satisfied that over the whole of the course the wind strength is generally in excess of 5 knots to provide useful racing conditions.
 - 11.2 Races will not be held if the Race Officer believes the maximum wind strength on the Committee Boat to be generally in excess of 35 mph (30 knots).

Further Information:

Competitors will be required to wear a suitable wet- or dry-suit whilst on the water and a suitable buoyancy aid or lifejacket (which must not be of the self-inflating type).

The entry fee includes a bacon roll with tea/coffee after registration, and a hot lunch at 13h00 approximately. Any special catering needs must be advised at least 48 hours in advance.

Free on-site camping is available and for Motorhomes in the Car Park. Access from 5pm the previous evening or by prior arrangement. The entry gate is locked and will need to be opened, so prior notice of your arrival time will be required.

Directions:

Bowmoor Sailing Club Entrance is on the South side of the A417 Cirencester to Lechlade road approximately 1.9 miles West of Lechlade town centre and 2 miles East of Fairford town centre. The entrance is signposted to Hanson, Coln Park Residential and Bowmoor Sailing Club.

After leaving the main road turn sharp right along the lane to the clubhouse. There is plenty of parking space near the Club House.

For sat nav systems use coordinates 51.698870, -1.730710 or 51° 41' 56.06" N, 1° 43' 51.49" W.
The nearest postcode is GL7 3DT, which is a little East of the entrance. OS grid reference is SP 1869000052.

For further information about the event please contact Brian Smith - Supernova Fleet Secretary by phone on 07815 441783.

Bowmoor BioSecurity Policy:

Please note that visiting boats must be clean and emptied of water (including launching trolleys) with all visible and obvious signs of contamination (such as mud and weed) removed well away from the Club premises.