

2009 Footy Championship Notice of Race

Saturday 25th July 2009

FRENSHAM POND SAILING CLUB

RYA Club of the year
www.sailfrensham.org.uk

Unfortunately at the original venue, Hampton Court, there is a weed problem and the Footy class has had to switch to another venue. Frensham Pond Sailing Club have kindly offered to host the 2009 Footy Championship. The **FPSC Model Yacht Group** extend a very warm welcome to all Footy enthusiasts to our beautiful sailing water in leafy West Surrey. See directions below or check out our website. Although this is FPSC's first radio racing Championship we have an enthusiast and experienced race team who will be doing their best to give you a good day's racing. As Footy sailors really liked our Open event in April, we hope that even more of you will come and enjoy racing in a friendly atmosphere on a large open water. As Frensham is close to the centre of gravity of the Footy fleet we are hoping for a big entry. We also issue a special invitation to those from further afield, who will be at the Euro GP at Birkenhead on the previous weekend. You will be most welcome at Frensham too! Accommodation details will be available shortly.

The racing will be on a small area of Frensham Great Pond, which is ideal for Footys, close to a grassy bank control area. We cannot forecast how strong or light the wind will be, but often the wind is fluky and variable. The control area is close to the dinghy and car parks. As dinghies will be also be racing on the main part of the lake the car parks tend to fill up and you are advised to arrive early if you want a space near the control area. We have a fine clubhouse where at a small price food, hot and cold drinks will be available all day and at the end of the event the legendary 'Frensham Tea' will be provided free for all competitors.

Roger Stollery will be the Race Officer. The current 2009 Footy Class Rules will apply and the racing will be conducted using the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 modified by the sailing instructions in EORS 2009. The relevant notices are as follows:

REGISTRATION and measurement check 08.30 to 09.30 hours.

BRIEFING - this will start at approximately 09.40 hours.

RACING TIMES - the first race will start soon after the briefing at approximately 10.00 hours - no race will start after 16.00 hours and any race in progress at 16.30 hours will be abandoned. We will be breaking for lunch at an appropriate time.

Copies of EORS 2009, which include the Sailing Instructions will be available on the day or if you really wish to know before the event, contact Roger on stollerydesigns@ukonline.co.uk. Please remember to bring your MYA membership card if you have one. Please also make sure that your sail numbers are clearly displayed on both mainsails; just the **last two digits** of your boat's registration number or your personal sail number. We will inform you before the event if there is a clash and the need to add a prefix '1'. When you bring your boat for registration, please make sure it can be checked in the 'Footy measurement box' with the small rig fitted. Just one more important notice: in order not to spread any 'weed' contamination, we would ask that you wash your boat down with fresh water before and after sailing. There is a hose point close to the control area.

As well as the 'Lost Rock' Championship Trophy there will be prizes for the top skippers, a new Junior Champions Trophy as well as special prizes for Juniors under 16, as we are expecting quite a few to take part. The entry fee will be £7.50, to be paid on the day. Entries should go to Charles Smith and may be either phoned through on **01483 429 792** or e-mail the entry form to tradboat@btinternet.com before midnight on

Wednesday 22nd July 2009.

Please don't make the organiser's job more difficult by entering at the last minute: **enter now!** The information required is your name, club, sail number, **radio frequency that you have in your boat** and **the alternative frequencies available**. Please pass this notice onto those you know who might like to participate. If they have no Footy, we have some that may be borrowed. Please ring Charles asap to avoid disappointment.

We look forward to seeing you!

Directions

www.sailfrensham.org.uk

Frensham Pond, Pond Lane, Churt, Farnham. GU10 2QA

Approaching from the North

Head south crossing the M4, preferably just to the west of Reading. Head for Basingstoke then taking the first left hand turn and then the first right hand turn. Proceed southwards reaching the M&S and Tesco stores thereby crossing the A30 and remain on the A287 for about 5 miles until you meet the turn right at the roundabout onto the A31 heading West. The follow the same instructions as given for approaching from the East; **the red text.**

Alternative approach from the M25

Leave M25 at junction 10 onto the A3 and go south for about 20 miles to the set of traffic lights at Hindhead. Turn right (North) onto the A287 and follow the directions below. Long term road works at Hindhead may delay you here for 7 or 8 minutes.

Approaching from the South

Follow the A3 until it becomes single carriageway and continue to the traffic lights at Hindhead. Turn left (North) on the the A287. After about 4 miles you will pass through the village of Churt. Continue for a further mile and a half and turn left at a sign to the Frensham Pond Hotel. Just before you see the water you reach Pond Lane and the club is about 200yds along this road on the right.

Approaching from the East

Take the A3 to Guildford (or the A331 from Junction 4 of the M3) and then the A31 westbound. At the top of the hill leaving Guildford fork left on to the A31 (Hogs Back) towards Farnham and after about 4 miles you reach a roundabout where you **keep in left lane going west along the A31, the Farnham By-pass. When you reach the traffic lights turn left (signposted Hindhead and A287). Follow the road into the Railway Station yard and drive through it. Turn left onto the A287 to Hindhead. Frensham Pond is a further 3 miles on the right. Drive past the pond on the right and take the next right turn into Pond Lane, signposted to Frensham Pond Hotel. The Club is about 200yds along this road on the right.**

Approaching from the West.

Follow the A31. You cannot turn directly onto the A287. The simplest route is to continue along the A31 past this turning to the large roundabout at the eastern end of Farnham. Drive around the roundabout and return in the opposite direction, turning left at the traffic lights and then follow the directions for approaching from the East above **in red.**

Frensham Pond Model Yacht Group

Footy Class Championship 2009 entry Form

Please e-mail this form to tradboat@btinternet.com or Tel: 01483 429792

Skipper

Name:

Nationality (for overseas competitors):

Age (if under 16):

Please note that children under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. FPSC MYG is bound by Child Protection rules and all children must wear a buoyancy aid at the waterside.

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Home club:

Boat details

Preferred radio frequency : ie frequency in boat

40 mHz:

27 mHz:

Spectrum or similar Yes/No

Please note that frequencies for the event will be confirmed at registration.

Alternative frequencies

For later reporting it would be helpful but not essential if we had the following information:

Design and Designer

Type of rig

Declaration:

Please accept my entry as above. I have adequate third party insurance cover equivalent to that provided to MYA members. I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the current Footy Class Rules and by all other rules that govern this event.

Signature

Date