

Dear coaches and teamleaders, dear accompanying parents,

the first start of the 30th optimist team cup at the Potsdamer Yacht Club is rapidly approaching, so that I want to provide you with some final information:

I) for team leaders and coaches

The program including the detailed schedule for the event and all further important information (e.g. sailing instructions) can be found on our web site at <http://optiteamcup.de/race-info/>. A document containing the special rules applying to team race sailing can also be found there.

At this site you also find the disclaimer (german: Haftungsausschluss) as a pdf-file for download. **Please fill in a separate disclaimer for every sailor of your team** and hand it to us at the registration desk on Friday, October 27th. If you like, you can also e-mail the disclaimers in advance to stefan.weger@online.de.

For those teams traveling by plain we provide a shuttle service from and to the airport. You have already given us your flight information and we will provide you with the mobile number of your individual contact person at the airport next week. Please call this contact when your plane has landed.

The registration desk located in the upper floor of the PYC club house will be open on Friday, October 27th from about 2:00 p.m. to about 7:00 p.m. If your trip may be delayed and you can foresee that you will arrive later, please contact me by E-mail (stefanweger@online.de) or by mobil phone +491788443172.

For payments we offer several possibilities:

1) Cash at the registration desk. There is a cash machine (Berliner Sparkasse) nearby in 5 min walking distance from the club.

2) By EC/Maestro card (**sorry, no credit cards possible**)

3) The entry fee and the fee for ribs (deposit and daily charge, gasoline will be charged on Sunday, 29th according to consumed amount) can be paid in advance by bank transfer to the following account:

Potsdamer Yacht Club (PYC), Germany
Banking institution: Berliner Volksbank
IBAN: DE 33 1009 0000 2007 0140 26
BIC: BEVODEBB

Please indicate *Team Name (Nation) and OTC2017, entry fee or charter rib* on the transaction. In case you assign the bank transfer only one or two days before Friday, please take the transfer voucher with you.

The teamleaders meeting will take place on Friday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the PYC club house. There we will provide you with the Sailing instruction and two individualized waterproof copies of the pairing list by team numbers as well as one by team names. So you only have to print them out on yourself if you want extra copies.

II) Information for accompanying parents:

The restaurateur at the Potsdamer Yacht Club offers a special arrangement for eating in the days of the team cup, featuring a German specialty:

A whole goose with a great variety of side dishes (such as dumpling and red cabbage) for 4 to 6 persons for a prize of 115,00 €.

If you like to make use of this specialized arrangements for eating, please contact our restaurateur directly at gastronomie@pyc.de or +493021957701 until Tuesday, October 24th.

If you would like to do some sightseeing in Berlin or the nearby Potsdam, most locations can be easily reached by public transportation (fast train *S-Bahn*, subway *U-Bahn* and busses). The next S-Bahn station, which brings you right to the center of Berlin and also to Potsdam, is located about a 5 minutes walking distance from the club. For public transportation, a variety of ticket options are available with the most advantageous depending on the number of persons (you can form groups, which however must stay together for transportation, since you only have one ticket) and the validity period. In general, the tickets have to be validated at the first station (machines right at the rail track) and are valid for all three means of transportation (S-Bahn, U-Bahn and busses). If you only travel in Berlin, you need so-called AB-tickets, for Potsdam you need ABC-tickets.

Ticket information in English can be found at <https://shop.bvg.de/index.php/tickets>

For sightseeing specialized tourist tickets, which also include reduced entrance fees to many attractions, might be advantageous. They can be found either at the BVG ticket information (see above) under tourist tickets or <http://www.berlin.de/en/tourism/1895467-2975548-berlin-welcomecard.en.html>

You can also download an App providing you with all the schedule information and also with Online-tickets at <http://www.bvg.de/de/Fahrinfo/Jederzeit-mobil>.

III) General:

We have launched a facebook site at <https://www.facebook.com/optiteamcup/>, which will provide you with the latest informations. So we would be pleased if you join us there.