**Notice Of Race 2021 v1.2**

1. Rules

1.1 racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, as amended by Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions

1.2 Racing rules 28.1, 35, 40, 60.1(b) will be changed as follows:

RRS 28.1 is changed to allow helms that have not sailed the full course to be finished with

a Race officers discretionary finish if required (see SI 14.3);

RRS 35 is changed to allow helms that have not sailed the full course to be finished with a

Race officers discretionary finish if required & helms that do not complete the course within 30 minutes of the first helm to not be finished.

RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.

RRS 60.1(b) is changed so that competitors may not request redress for alleged breaches

of 62.1(a) concerning SIs 14.3.

1. Eligibility and entry

2.1 The event is open to International Topper Class boats, both 5.3 and 4.2 rig, that comply with the class association rules on the date of the event.

2.2 All competitors shall be deemed temporary members of Hollowell Sailing Club and must comply with the rules defined by Anglia Water, Hollowell Sailing Club and current Government COVID-19 guidelines

2.3a For entry to the event all Toppers are to enter in advance through the ITCA Website in the normal manner. All Entries must be members of the ITCA class association (or members of the host club). Topper entry closes on the Thursday 11th Nov @8pm

2.3b For entry to the event all Optimists can enter by completing the registration form on the day of the regatta.  Forms can be pre-completed.  An entry form is included as Attachment B. Advanced booking can be made by emailing the completed form (attachment B) to the address rachelivor@outlook.com, payment can be made and signatures completed on the day.

Fees

3.1 The entry fee for Toppers is payable in advance via the ITCA website.

3.2 The entry fee for Optimists is £17 and can be paid on the day.

1. Schedule

4.1 Registration will take place on *Saturday 13th November 2021; 0800 – 0930.*

4.2 Topper Sailors are to bring a signed copy of the ITCA Entry form that they will give to the host club upon registration.

4.3 There will be 4 races. Warning for the first race – 10:30 hrs.
4.4a Number of races Topper fleet: 4 (2 races, back-to-back in the morning, 2 races, back-to-back after lunch)
4.4b Number of races Optimist fleet: 4 (2 races, back-to-back in the morning, 2 races, back-to-back after lunch)

1. Measurement

A boat or equipment may be checked at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. Non class legal boats may be allowed to compete at the race officer’s discretion.

1. Sailing instructions

The sailing instructions will be available on the club website before the first day of the series.

1. Venue

Addendum A shows the location of the racing area.

1. The courses

The course to be sailed will be displayed on the committee boat board as described in the sailing instructions.

1. Scoring

9.1 At least 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a event result.

9.2 When fewer than four races are completed the boats score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3 When four races are completed the boats score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worse score. (1 discard)

9.4 All rigs (5.3, 4.2, and reefed) will be scored as a single fleet. Only 1 sail can be used per event.

1. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority (Hollowell Sailing club) and for the Toppers shall be a minimum of 1st, 2nd, 3rd place overall and 1st , 2nd 4.2 rig.

1. Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

1. Insurance

 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

1. Bio security measures

Under Anglican water guidance the club operates a wash, clean and dry biosecuity policy that must be followed by all craft and their trailers as detailed on the club website or open entry forms. Visiting members will be asked to sign a declaration to confirm they have read, understood and followed this process.

1. Dogs

No dogs are allowed in the clubhouse or anywhere in the club grounds at any time, unless as required by disability or illness or in the interests of public safety.

1. Further info for further information please see contacts on Hollowell sc website.