

Felpham Sailing Club

Solo and Contender Open

NOTICE OF RACE

Date: **Solo:** **Saturday 12 May 2018**
 Contender: **Saturday/Sunday 12/13 May 2018**

Organising Authority: **Felpham Sailing Club (FSC)**
 www.felphamsailingclub.co.uk

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and the Class Rules of the competing Classes, except as changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. FSC implements the RYA Racing Charter.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising will be allowed in accordance with the Class Rules of competing Classes.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The event is open to boats of the Solo and Contender Classes.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on arrival at the Club and paying the correct fee.
- 3.3. The Entry Fee will be £15 for Solos and £25 for Contenders.

4. RACING SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Saturday 12th May 2018: Registration opens at 09:30 in the FSC Clubhouse.
- 4.2. There will be a competitors briefing at 11:00 in the FSC Clubhouse.
- 4.3. Racing Programme:
 - 4.3.1. Solo: Saturday 3 races
 - 4.3.2. Contender: Saturday 3 races
 Sunday 2 races
 - 4.3.3. The warning signal for Solos and Contenders for the first race on Saturday will not be before 11:55. 3 races are scheduled and will be sailed back to back.
 - 4.3.4. The warning signal for Contenders for the first race on Sunday will not be before 10:55. 2 races are scheduled and will be sailed back to back.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the time of Registration.

6. SAILING AREA

6.1. The race area will be off Felpham Beach to the south of the FSC Clubhouse.

7. THE COURSES

7.1. The course to be sailed will be as defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be displayed on the official Course Board each day in the FSC Clubhouse.

8. SCORING

8.1. The Low Point System of RYA Appendix A will apply.

8.2. 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.3. Solo: When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8.4. Contender: When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

9.1. Boats shall be berthed within the allocated rigging and launching areas on the greensward to the East of the clubhouse.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

10.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11. SAFETY

11.1. RRS 40 will apply at all times whilst afloat but Flag Y will not be displayed, this changes RRS 40.

12. PRIZES

12.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee and the Class Associations.

12.2. Prizes will be awarded to sailors in each Class, to approximately the square root of entries in that Class.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1. Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue to race is hers alone" and that sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 13.1.1. 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;
- 13.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 13.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 13.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 13.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 13.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover, if any, is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances;

14. INSURANCE

14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.

15. TELEVISION & PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS

15.1. Competitors, parents and guardians shall accept that photographs of their boat and its crew may be taken whilst attending this event and shall automatically grant the Organising Authority the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion picture, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, without compensation. Any competitors who have a problem with this instruction are advised to contact the organizers in confidence.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1. For further information, please contact:-

16.2. Paul Hemsley: paul.hemsley@gmail.com