

Felpham Sailing Club Open Regatta

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th June 2019

Incorporating the Solution Nationals

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority: Felpham Sailing Club (FSC)

1. Rules

1.1. The event will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association and Class Rules, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions.

1.2. FSC implements the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1. Entry is open to all competitors sailing monohull dinghies with a published RYA Portsmouth Yardstick (PY) number for its Class. If a Class does not have a published PY, a competitor can apply to the Race Committee for a yardstick number to be used in the Regatta.

2.2. All boats shall be able to be identified by having unique sail designations.

2.3. Sailors shall enter by registering at the club on the Regatta weekend. Their entry shall be considered valid upon receipt of the correct entry fee and a completed registration form.

2.4. Regatta Entry Fee for visiting boats: £15 for one day; £25 for both days.

2.5 Solution National Entry Fee: £30

2.5.1 Only current members of the Solution Class Association shall be eligible to enter the Nationals.

2.6. Competitors will be divided into three Fleets; the Solutions, the Gold Fleet and the Silver Fleet for novices.

The Solutions will have their own start.

There may be a separate start for the Silver Fleet.

3. Racing Schedule:

3.1. There shall be a briefing for all sailors 45 minutes before the warning signal for the first race on each day, in the FSC Clubhouse.

3.2. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 12:55; and, for the first race on Sunday is 10:55.

3.3. Six races are scheduled to be completed, two on Saturday and four on Sunday

4. Sailing Instructions

4.1. SIs will be available at registration in the FSC Clubhouse and may be available beforehand on www.felphamsailingclub.co.uk

5. Venue

5.1. The racing is based at Felpham Sailing Club, Blakes Road, Felpham, PO22 7EE

6. Penalty system

6.1. The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available during this event.

7. Scoring

7.1. Regatta Fleets: Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five races or more have been completed a boat's series score will be the sum of its best four race scores.

7.2 Solutions:

6 races are planned;

where 6 races are completed there will be 2 discards.

where 3 races are completed there will be 1 discard,

where less than 3 races are completed there will be no discards.

6 races are scheduled, but 3 shall constitute a Championship.

8. Insurance

8.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident that is valid for this event and those sailing the boat.

9. Risk statement

9.1. RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

9.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

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

9.3.1. 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 accordingly whilst taking part in the event;

9.3.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

9.3.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;

9.3.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

9.3.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

9.3.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

10. Supporting Information

10.1. Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2. Results will be posted on www.felphamsailingclub.co.uk

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