



## Notts County Sailing Club RS400 Open Meeting 2024

Saturday 7th and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

At Hoveringham lake, Hoveringham, Notts NG14 7JX What3words: downs.album.summit

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### NOTICE OF RACE

#### ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Notts County Sailing Club in conjunction with the RS Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be issued for this event.
- 1.3 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The RS Class Association standard sailing instructions are available at <https://rs-association.com>.
- 2.2 The event Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be available at <https://ncsc.org.uk>

#### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 See Supplementary Sailing Instructions for location of official notice board for Notices to competitors.
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the RS400 class.
- 4.2 To compete in the Northern Tour, the helm must be a member and crew must be either a member or crew member of the RS Class Association. To compete in the open meeting only, membership of the association is not a requirement. Results will be categorised accordingly.

Entries are be made online by ticket entry on Sailing Club Manager using the following link:-  
<https://members.ncsc.org.uk//event/886989>

Entry fee payment is by credit card using the Stripe system accessed at the conclusion of the

ticket entry.

- 4.3 Late entries will be accepted at the club on the first day using the NCSC Open meeting entry form from 09.00 until 10.30am. To be considered an entry at the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. Credit card payment may be possible via the club's credit card reader.
- 4.4 Any competitors aged under 18 years shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the RS Class Association website and should be completed and handed in at registration.
- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee, subject to the payment of a late entry surcharge.
- 4.6 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, and reject or cancel entries at its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.7 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event or reject an entry up to 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

## **5 FEES**

Entry fee is £30.00 per boat

## **6 CREW LIMITATIONS**

Does not apply.

## **7 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## **8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

Does not apply.

## **9 SCHEDULE**

- 9.1 Registration Saturday 7th September 0900 to 10:30hrs
- 9.2 Briefing – A briefing will be held at 11:00 on Saturday 7th September
- 9.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Saturday 2nd September	Maximum 5 Races
Sunday 3rd September	Maximum 4 Races
- 9.4 Over the two days, a maximum of 6 races will be sailed.
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Saturday 2nd September is 11:55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sunday 3rd September is 09:55.
- 9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:55

## **10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Boats may be inspected at any time.

## **11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

## **12 VENUE**

The sailing area will be Notts County Sailing Club main lake

## **13 COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward or Trapezoid and will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

## **15 SCORING**

15.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

15.3 If four or five races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

15.4 If six races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

## **16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

16.1 Support Person Vessels are not permitted.

## **17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

Does not apply.

## **18 BERTHING**

Please berth boats on the foreshore and secure them overnight. Do not use vacant spaces in the dinghy park.

## **19 DATA PROTECTION**

The Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

## **20 RISK STATEMENT**

20.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) 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;

- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

## 20.2 [NP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

## 21 INSURANCE

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

## 22 PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded, dependent on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee to the first, second & third boats overall.

## 23 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact James Logan on 07896 787063 or by Email to: [RS400@ncsc.org](mailto:RS400@ncsc.org)

## END OF NOTICE OF RACE

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1 Camping will be permitted on the evenings of Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd September. Please park your vehicle and/or pitch your tent as directed. Note that the club does not have facilities for the disposal of waste from portable toilets.
- 2 Refreshments will be available over the lunchtime Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th September
- 3 A meal may be available on the evening of Saturday 7th September. It will be necessary to book all meals prior to the first race on Saturday
- 4 The bar will be open after sailing on both days.