



# Topper South West Traveller Series 2022



## Organised by ITCA (GBR) SW Area NOTICE OF SERIES

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the prescriptions of ITCA (GBR).
- 1.2 The rules governing each event in the series will be specified in the *Notice of Race* and *Sailing Instructions* published for each event (taking precedence over this *Notice of Series* if there is any conflict).
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the ITCA implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024* (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at [RYA Racing Charter](#)

### 2 SERIES EVENTS

- 2.1 The SW Traveller series will consist of the following events:

Summer Series				
			Training Day	
SW Pre Traveller Series Training weekend.	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	ASWC Portland	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> Coached racing
SW Traveller 1	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Saltash SC	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	
SW Traveller 2	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Cotswold SC	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	
SW Traveller 3	Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Starcross YC	Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	
Super South Championship 2 day event SW Traveller 4	2nd 3rd July 22	WPNSA Portland	None	Joint Traveller with South West & South East
SW Traveller 5	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> Jul 22	Paignton SC	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> This will be a RYA RTG indicator event	Note only the Saturdays training is an indicator for RTG selection
SW Traveller 6	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Salcombe YC	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
SW Area Championships 2 day event SW Traveller 6	Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Parkstone YC	None	Secondary Indicator for RYA RTG selection
SW Traveller 7	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Brixham YC	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	
SW Traveller 8	Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Bristol Corinthian YC	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	End of Traveller series

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The series is open to sailors sailing an International Topper class dinghy with a 6.4, 5.3 or 4.2 sail and who are members of a National Topper Class Association, paid up members of the host club may enter any of the events. Non-members, who are not host club members, may pay a temporary weekend membership of the Association for £5 at registration.
- 3.2 To enable a sailor to get a result in the Traveller series the sailor must be a member of a National Topper Class Association (<https://www.itca-gbr.co.uk/membership>) and sailed in at least 2 events per series and must register for each series and pay a notional £5 fee per series, (this covers the cost of prizes and the end of the series).
- 3.3 By participating in this series, a competitor automatically grants to ITCA (GBR), the organising authority of any constituent event and any event or series sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the series, and of all of his/her material related to the series, without compensation.

### **4 APPROVED SAIL**

- 4.1 Only sails that are supplied by Topper International and stamped Race Approved Sail must be used
- 4.2 Competitors may only use ONE sail during each event. If for any reason a sail requires changing the competitor MUST obtain written permission from the Race Officer before he/she may use a replacement sail.
- 4.3 All sails used shall display the sailor's championship number on their sail as per class rules. Sailors without a championship number shall request permission from the Race Committee prior to launching on the first day of racing

### **5 SAILING INSTRUCTION**

- 5.1 All event documents will be published by the host club and be available at the event and may be posted on the ITCA website

### **6 SCORING**

- 6.1 For the purpose of scoring the series (6.4 or 5.3 or 4.2), a competitor's score for each event ('event score') will be points equal to their position in the overall results for the 6.4 or 5.3 or 4.2 class at the event.
- 6.2 When a competitor does not enter or register at an event, their event score for that event will be one more than the largest registered entry at any of the series events.
- 6.3 For RYA RTG indicator events only, the event results for the 4.2 class will not count towards the series results.
- 6.4 For the overall series, if 3 or more events are completed each competitor's series score will be the total of their event scores excluding their worst event score. If 6 or more events are completed each competitor's series score will be the total of their event scores excluding their worst two event scores.
- 6.5 The competitor with the lowest series score wins and others will be ranked accordingly.
- 6.6 RRS A8 will be used to break series ties, replacing "boat" with "competitor" and "race" with "event".

### **7 SERIES PRIZES**

- 7.1 Series prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third (depending on number of entrants) ranked competitors overall for the 5.3 class and 1<sup>st</sup> overall for the 4.2 class,

dependant on the number of entries at the discretion of ITCA (GBR) and the sponsors prizes for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place may be awarded for the 4.2 class.

7.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of ITCA (GBR) and the sponsors.

## **8 DATA PROTECTION**

8.1 In order to manage the series and events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NoS 10.2) will comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations. More details are available on request.

## **9 RISK STATEMENT**

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

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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 vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol vessel 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 and information

## **10 INSURANCE**

10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event

## **11 FURTHER INFORMATION**

11.1 For further information please contact the following e-mail address –  
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