



NORTHAMPTON SAILING CLUB

Notice of Race **Topper Midlands Traveller** **at Pitsford Reservoir** **11th December 2021**

Covid-19 Statement: By taking part in the events covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges they are responsible for complying with any regulation in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with Northampton Sailing Clubs Covid-19 procedures.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event will be classified Category "C".
- 1.2 The races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, and the event sailing instructions
- 1.3 Topper Class Rules shall apply as standard.
- 1.4 Competitors should note that Northampton Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book.

2. Conditions of Entry

- 2.1 The event is open to International Topper Class boats, that comply with the class association rules on the date of the entry.
- 2.2 The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the boat, who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither the sailing instructions, nor the inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor for his/her crew his/her boat and the management thereof.
- 2.3 All competitors are required to wear personal floatation devices while afloat and on any club pontoons
- 2.4 The race organizers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race or races.
- 2.4 All competitors shall be deemed temporary members of Northampton Sailing Club and shall comply with the clubs and Anglian water rules and adheres to all current Government COVID-19 guidelines.

2.5 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid Third Party Liability Insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million.

2.6 The entry closing date is per the event details on the ITCA website.

3. Risk Statement

3.1 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 inherently involves an element of risk.

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

3.2.1 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 risks whilst taking part in the event;

3.2.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whenever afloat or ashore;

3.2.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

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

3.2.5 The provision of a race management team, safety boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

3.2.6 The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

3.2.7 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 produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event;

3.2.8 The organising authority will not accept any liability for loss, material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta;

3. Entry Fee

3.1 The entry fee is set by the ITCA and payable upfront via the ITCA website.

3.2. Entry for the event closes at 8.00pm on Thursday 9th December 2021

3.3 Cancellation policy can be found on the ITCA Series NOR

4. Advertising

4.1 Boat may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority or the class association.

5. Programme schedule

5.1 . ITCA entry forms to be emailed to the entered sailors within 1 week of the event. These are to be completed/signed and handed into the host club on the morning of registration.

5.2 Briefing will be made 10.00am at the club house

5.3 A maximum of four races are scheduled and will be subject to weather conditions and daylight.

5.2 The first race will start at 10.30am with race 2 following back to back.

5.3 A short break for lunch

5.4 Races 3 and 4 will be sailed back following lunch (Race 4 will be subject to daylight hours)

5.3 Prize giving will commence as soon after the final race as possible.

6. Measurement

6.1 A boat or equipment may be subject to inspection on a random check to ensure compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

7. Course

7.1 The course will be set by the Race Officer on the day and displayed on the back of the committee boat as described in the sailing instructions. Full details will be provided within the Sailing Instructions

7. Venue

7.1 The venue is Northampton Sailing Club, Pitsford Reservoir, Brixworth, Northamptonshire NN6 9DG

7.2 The sailing area will be Pitsford Water

8. Scoring

8.1 One Race minimum must be completed to constitute an event result.

8.2 When fewer than 4 races are completed the boats score will be the total of her race scores.

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

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

9. Support Vessels

9.1 Support boats will not be allowed.

10. Data Protection

10.1 Results – As part of this event your results will be published in the public domain and to your class association, this is a condition of entry. Data likely to be published with results may include such information as; sail number, sailing club, age, gender.

10.2 Photography – By competing in this event, competitors grant to the organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any non-identifiable motion pictures, still pictures and live taped or filmed television of or relating to the event. Competitors consent to these being published in class, club, sponsor and other publications and associated websites.

9. Prizes

9.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place overall and for 1st & 2nd 4.2 rig.

9.2 Prizes will be distributed at the event

BIOSECURITY – You will be required to confirm that your boat has been ‘Checked, Cleaned and Dried’ for a minimum of two days prior to arriving at Northampton Sailing Club.

For your information

Northampton Sailing Club

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Email: office@northamptonsailingclub.org

See website for further information, how to find the club, etc.

www.northamptonsailingclub.org

Local Accommodation includes:

The Stags Head - www.stagshead-maidwell.co.uk

Sedgebrook Hall – www.sedgebrookhallnorthampton.co.uk



Please note no dogs are allowed on site.