

Aberdeen University Sailing Club Scottish Team Racing Championships

14th March - 16th March 2014

NOTICE OF RACE

INTRODUCTION 1

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflys, the boats will be supplied for the event. Each boat shall be sailed by 2 people.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY 2

The organising authority is Aberdeen University Sailing Club.

3 **RULES**

- 3.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 3.2 Races will be umpired.
- 3.3 A modified version of the UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These change some rules in the RRS; they are available on the UKTRA web site (www.teamracing.org) and at registration.
- 3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

- 4.1 Entries are invited from any team.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is 1st March 2014.
- 4.3 The entry fee will be £240 per team.
- 4.4 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £300 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The format of the event will be a round robin followed by leagues, semi-finals and a final. This is subject to change depending on numbers of entrants and may include quarter finals.
- 5.2 Registration will take place on the 13th March at the evening social (The Illicit Still) and 1 hour before the briefing on 14th March at Aberdeen Stonehaven Yacht Club.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at 14th March, at 9.00am at Aberdeen Stonehaven Yacht Club.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at 10.00am.

6 **BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING**

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE

7.1 Rule 4 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. 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.
- 7.2 When the boats are provided by the competitors, the boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000 pounds.

8 PRIZES

These will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

9 Entry Form

Teams can enter the event online at http://strc2014.ausailing.co.uk where competitors can pay by debit/credit card or by post and cheque with the form in part 9.1.

9.1 Postal Entry Form

POSTAL STRC 2014 ENTRY FORM	
Team Name	
Team Contact	
Address	
Phone & Email	
I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. In particular I have read paragraph 7 of the notice of race and confirm that I agree to its provisions and that my boat will conform to its requirements throughout the event.	
I have read, understood and will abide by the SIs, in particular Section 3.1.	
Signed On behalf of the team entered	

NOTES All helms will be required to sign a copy of this declaration at registration.

The entry form and fee is to be returned to: Aberdeen University Sailing Club, Sports Union, Aberdeen Sports Village, Linksfield Road, Aberdeen, AB24 5RU.