**Cardiff University Sailing Club**

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**Notice of Race**

**The Welsh Dragon**

**22nd and 23rd November 2014**

1. **Introduction**

The event is for four boat teams and will be sailed in fireflies supplied by the organisers. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

1. **Organising Authority**

The organising authority is Cardiff University Sailing Club.

1. **Rules**
	1. The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including appendix D, Team Racing Rules. ([http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/RRS20092012with2010changes-[8222].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/RRS20092012with2010changes-%5B8222%5D.pdf) )
	2. Races will be umpired.
	3. 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 (<https://sites.google.com/site/uktra1/uktra-sailing-instructions>). Teams are advised to bring their own copy of these Sailing Instructions.
	4. In accordance with rule 70.4(a) the right of appeal will be denied.
2. **Entries and Deposit**
	1. Entries will be processed on a first come first served basis. We will limit entry to 21 teams. Please contact us before you send off your application.
	2. The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is Friday 31st of October 2014
	3. The entry fee will be £250 per team. Entry will be free to teams that provide a flight of fireflies. Please note, if the university providing a fleet has more than one team entered, only one team will be free. Petrol costs will not be refunded. Payment must be sent as cheques or cash, we do not accept bank transfers or BACS payment.
	4. Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £250 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required with the entry fee before a team may sail. If the organising authority estimates that the total damage attributable to the team exceeds the deposit, the team will be required to deposit a further £400 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. In the event of racing being cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, only damage deposits will be returned.
	6. In the event of a team pulling out, a full refund will be given before 31st of October, half fee will be refunded before the 7th of November, and after then no refund will be given.
	7. Teams are requested to send their damage deposits and entry fees in separate cheques, at the same time.
3. **Event format and schedule**
	1. The format of the event will be 3 flights of 7 teams round robin followed by three flights of gold, silver, bronze and then semi – finals and a final.
	2. Registration will take place from 18:00 – 21:30 on Friday 21st November at Gassy Jacks 39-41 Salisbury Rd, Cardiff CF24 4AB, There will be a briefing on Saturday 22nd November at 9am at Cardiff Yacht Club, Windsor Esplanade, Cardiff, CF10 5BG.
	3. The first warning signal will be at 09:57.
4. **Buoyancy and clothing**

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

1. **Disclaimer of liability, Insurance**
	1. The Crew is entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
	2. It is for the crew to decide whether they are fit to sail in the conditions in which they will find themselves. By launching or going to sea, the crew confirm that the boat is fit for those conditions and that the crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
	3. 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.
	4. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the crew nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the crew taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, umpires, patrol boats and beach masters.
	5. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the crew of their responsibilities.
2. **Prizes**

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

Any inquiries can be made to Poppy Barker on 07595 219292 or poppybarker@yahoo.co.uk,

The entry form, damage deposit and fee is to be returned to Poppy Barker, 36 Miskin Street, Cathays, Cardiff, CF24 4AQ . The Cheques should be made payable to ‘AU Clubs Account’ with ‘Sailing’ written on the back. Cheques need to be received by the deadline to secure your place.

**Entry Form**

Team Name …………………………………………………………………….

Team Contact ………………………………………………………………….

Address …………………………………………………………………………

Phone …………………………………………………………….....................

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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.

Signed……………………………………………….. On behalf of the team entered.

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