

## **NOTICE of RACE**

### **‘Hallam Hangover’ 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The ‘Hallam Hangover 2014’ event, for three boat teams, will take place on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015.
- 1.2 The event will take place at Pennine Sailing Club in firefly dinghies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

#### **2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

- 2.1 The organising authority is the Sheffield Hallam University Sail and Windsurf Club.
- 2.2 All decisions made by the organising authority are final.

#### **3 RULES**

- 3.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 including appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 3.2 Races will be umpired.
- 3.3 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 ([www.teamracing.org](http://www.teamracing.org)) and teams are advised to bring their own copy with them to the event.
- 3.4 In accordance with rule 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

#### **4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT**

- 4.1 All entries are on a first come first served basis and acceptance will be confirmed on receipt of an entry fee.
- 4.2 Entry forms are available from the BUSA website ([www.busa.co.uk](http://www.busa.co.uk)) and the Sheffield Hallam University Sailing Club website ([www.shusailandwindsurf.co.uk](http://www.shusailandwindsurf.co.uk))
- 4.3 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment is 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015.
- 4.4 The first entry from a club will be £250. Subsequent entries will be £230 per team.
- 4.5 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. 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 £300 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.
- 4.6 In the event of racing being cancelled due to bad weather, only damage deposits will be returned.
- 4.7 All competitors shall complete the registration requirements before racing.

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#### **5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 The format of the event is planned to be two leagues, moving to gold and silver league semi finals and finals. The event format is subject to change by the organising authority at any time.
- 5.2 Registration will take place from 19:00 on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Sheffield Hallam University Students Union and from 08:30 on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Pennine Sailing Club.
- 5.3 There will be a competitors briefing at 09:00 on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Pennine Sailing Club.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at 09:30 on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015.
- 5.5 Unless instructed otherwise, the first warning signal on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015 will also take place at 09:30.

#### **6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING**

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

#### **7 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, 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 and competent 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 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat 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 boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, umpires, patrol boats and beachmasters.

#### **8 PRIZES**

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