Durham University Sailing Club

Notice of Race

For the Angel of the North 2015

Held on the 28th and 29th of November





1 INTRODUCTION

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

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Durham University Sailing Club (DUSC). DUSC thank Derwent Reservoir Sailing Club for their kind support of this event and their Club rules will apply.

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 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.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

- 4.1 Entries are invited from teams of at least six people. Entries will be accepted in the order they are received. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse entry to any team without specifying a reason.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is 16th November. Late entries may be considered at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.3 The entry fee will be £280 per team.
- 4.4 If a team pulls out of the event after the 16th of November, and they and the Organising Authority are unable to find a replacement team, they may not be refunded the full entry fee.
- 4.5 No more than Twenty one entries will be accepted. An entry will have been accepted when a signed entry form and two valid cheques covering the entry fee and damage deposit have been received. Entries will be contacted by email.
- 4.6 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property both at Derwent Water SC and at Durham University during both racing and social events up to a maximum of £300 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required before an entry will be considered complete. 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 available at registration, it is the intention of the Organising Authority to complete a round robin followed by knockouts.

- 5.2 Registration will take place at Dunelm House on the evening of the 27th November (timings and directions to be confirmed via email). Late registration will be available before the briefing by prior arrangement.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at Derwent Reservoir Sailing Club at nine thirty am on the 28th November.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at ten am

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 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.

8 PRIZES

There will be awarded;

The Angel of the North Trophy, for first overall team

The Dambuster Trophy, for first Old Boy team

Other prizes at the discretion of the Organising Authority.