

Easter Laser Regatta Saturday April 19th and Sunday 20th April 2014

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organising authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing of the ISAF (RRS) including the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any relevant class rules. Non Laser sails may be used in this Regatta, however sail size may not be charned during the Regatta.
- 2.2 RRS 40 and 63.1 are changed in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Boats shall not be deemed to be racing unless the owner or person in charge has completed and returned the attached entry form together with the required fee for this event to the RSYC Hon Sailing Secretary.
- 3.2 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.3 All competitors under the age of 18 on 18th April 2014 must ensure that their entry form AND PARENT CONSENT FORM is signed by a parent or guardian.

4. FEES

4.1 Entry for two days racing is £10 for RSYC members and £15 for non RSYC members.

5. CLASSES

- 5.1 Classes will include:
 - Laser
 - Laser 4.7
 - Radial
- 5.2 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration will be on Saturday 19th April from 09:30 in the Hudleston Bar of the RSYC, with a briefing for all sailors at 10:00.
- 6.2 There will be two races run back to back each day
- 6.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal will not be before 10:55, with the first start at 11:00.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 Racing will be in the area of Bouldnor Bay.

8. PROTESTS

8.1 The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply
- 9.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at RSYC or to down load form www.royalsolent.org from 14th April 2014

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Trophies will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 1.2 The Prize Giving will take place after racing on Sunday 20th April at the RSYC.

12. RISK STATEMENT.

- 12.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 race 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;

15. INSURANCE.

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (two million pounds) per event or the equivalent.

14. BOAT HANDLING ABILITY

14.1 All competitors must be capable of launching and recovering their boats as sea conditions at the RSYC slipway can be demanding. This is a SAFETY MATTER and ALL COMPETITORS are solely responsible for this activity. Launching and recovery teams are at hand but cannot guarentee to be always available at busy times. Parents are required to assist with this SAFETY task.

INFORMATION.

A Pizza supper will be available in the Huddleston Bar on Sunday evening after prize giving.