

2017 Whitsun Open Regatta

incorporating

Flying Fifteen Class Open for the Bulwark Trophy Open Racing for RS Elite, RS200, RS700, RS800, Fireball, 29er, Solo, Optimist, RS Feva & RS Tera Classes

and

Handicap Racing for HISC Members

27 & 28 May 2017

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

Organizing Authority: Hayling Island Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

Documents governing this event, including this Notice of Race and any amendments thereto, will be available at the event website:

www.hisc.co.uk/sailing-racing/open-events/ hisc-open-regatta/

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Competitors should note that Hayling Island SC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at: www.rya.org.uk/racing/racing-rules/pages/hub.aspx
- 1.3 The notation [DP] in a rule of the NoR and SI means that the penalty for breaching the rule is at the discretion of the protest committee.

2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 Entries are invited for open class racing from Flying Fifteen, RS Elite, RS200, RS700, RS800, Fireball, 29er, Solo, RS Feva, Optimist and RS Tera Classes.
- 2.2 Entry is also available for a handicap race fleet; this is only open to Hayling Island SC members sailing their HISC registered boats with HISC handicap numbers in the range 499 to 1386.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form on the Hayling Island SC website, and submitting the entry fee.
- 2.4 Competitors less than 18 years of age shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations before racing (download from HISC website).

3 FEES

Entry fees per boat as follows:

Single hander: £35.00 (HISC members £17.50)

Double hander: £40.00 (HISC members £20.00)

4 FORMAT

The regatta will consist of separate race series for each class. Classes with fewer than ten entries may have shared starts.

It is intended that there will be a mix of race lengths to provide varied racing depending upon conditions and fleet sizes.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration: Sat 27 May from 09:00.

- 5.2 Competitors briefing: Sat 27 May at 11:00.
- 5.3 Dates of racing and warning signal times:

Date:	Time of 1 st warning signal:
Sat 27 May	13:00
Sun 28 May	11:00

5.4 Number of races: Up to ten races will be scheduled over the two days.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be published on the event website.

7 VENUE

The racing area will include Hayling Bay and Chichester Harbour.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

9 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in all classes according to the numbers of entries.

In the Flying Fifteen class the winner will be awarded the Bulwark Trophy.

10 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1 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."
- 11.2 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 omission:
 - (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 organizer 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.
 - (g) It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

12 INSURANCE

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

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

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