Sutton Bingham Icicle 2022

Sunday 30th January 2022



Scheduled First Start at 12:00hrs

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is Sutton Bingham Sailing Club (SBSC).

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the RYA and the appropriate Class rules.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions may make permitted changes to any rules

2 COVID Statement

- 2.1 By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor and anyone attending with them agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any UK Government regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with any Sutton Bingham Sailing Club COVID-19 Management Operating Procedures that may be in force at the time of the Event. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be deemed as misconduct on the part of the competitor. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions
- 2.2 Anyone who is unwell with the symptoms of Covid-19 or who is a member of a household isolating due to a member showing COVID symptoms must not attend this event. Entry fees will be refunded for all reasonable cancellation reasons.
- 2.3 Any actions or penalties implemented or applied by the OA in relation to this COVID statement are final and are non-protestable.
- 2.4 Refer to Section 17 of this NOR for additional information and instructions relating to COVID-19.

3 Advertising

3.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen & supplied by the OA.

4 Eligibility & Entry

- 4.1 Due to restrictions within the sailing area the event is limited to monohull dinghies with a mast height (including burgee) not greater than 7m (23ft) above the water line and a RYA PN between 1450 and 884. Contact the OA for further information on boat restrictions.
- 4.2 Entry to the event is via the Icicle event online Entry & Registration system on the SBSC Website www.suttonbinghamsc.net. For online entry this must be completed before 22:00 on Friday 28th January. Submission of an early entry would be much appreciated as this will assist with the planning of the event. Acceptance of your On-line Entry will be indicated by the addition of your name to the entry list on the event webpage.
- 4.3 Entries on the day of the event may be accepted at the discretion of the OA subject to space being available on the entry list and the entry being received before 10:30 hours.
- 4.3 The maximum number of entries shall be 30 boats, entry will be on a first come first served basis.
- 4.4 All Junior entries (age 17 or under on day of event), must be accompanied by a completed On-line Junior Consent Form for each junior member of a boat's crew.

4.5 The entry fee for the event is £15 per boat. The Junior entry fee (for boats where the helm is under 18 years of age) is £10. Payment for entries must be received by SBSC and declaration signed before 10:30 on the day of the event to confirm the entry.

5 Cancellation

- 5.1 The OA may cancel the event and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76. 1.2. Should the OA reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 5.2 Should the OA cancel the event prior to the scheduled start of race 1 the entry fee will be refunded less any costs incurred.
- 5.3 If an entry is cancelled by a competitor before 12:00hrs on Saturday 29th January 2022, the full entry fee paid will be refunded less any booking costs. If a competitor's entry is cancelled after this time any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the OA.

6 Schedule

- 6.1 If required, a pre-race briefing will take place at 11:15am.
- 6.2 A single 150 minute (max) pursuit race is scheduled. A list of provisional start times will be posted on the "Online" race notice board on the event webpage. The earliest time for the first warning signal will be 11:55.

7 Sailing Instructions

7.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be posted on the Event webpage on the SBSC website at least one week before the event.

8 Venue

8.1 Racing will be on Sutton Bingham Reservoir. The Clubhouse address is:- Sutton Hill, Nr. Halstock, Yeovil, Somerset. BA22 9QP.

9 Courses

9.1 The Course will be determined on the day of the event by the Race Officer and posted in accordance with the SI's.

10 Scoring

- 10.1 The scoring will be the finishing order at the end of the declared race time. The RYA Portsmouth Number List 2021 will be used to determine boat handicaps and start times.
- 10.2 The Sutton Bingham Icicle forms part of the SSW (Sailing SouthWest) Winter Series.

11 Prizes

11.1 Prizes will be awarded in proportion to the number of entries.

12 Media Rights & Rights to use Names and Likenesses

12.1 By registering for the event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority without payment and in perpetuity the right to make, use, show and pass to relevant 3rd parties (eg sailing publications, media & organisations) and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to the event. They also allow their name age category, club and boat displayed in competitor lists prior to the event, and in results on the SBSC website, social media and in publications.

13 Disclaimer of Liability/Risk Statement.

13.1 The applicable Risk Statement for this event is as follows:-

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 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;

14 Insurance

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

15 Control of Invasive Species

15.1 Competitors should adhere to the "Check, Clean Dry" protocol when bringing their boats from other inland waterways.

16 Further Information

- 16.1 The event will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 16.2 Parking is limited at SBSC: Visitors & Competitors are asked to park vehicles and trailers considerately and comply with requests from club officers if asked to move.
- 16.3 Unfortunately, due to restrictions placed on SBSC by Wessex Water, dogs are not allowed on the SBSC site.
- 16.4 For further information please contact the Event secretary: events@suttonbinghamsc.net

17 Additional COVID Instructions & information

- 17.1 The organisation of this event follows the RYA approach of being considerate and conservative:
 - **Considerate:** be mindful of the potential impact that you could have on other water users and do not place unnecessary extra strain on the OA and Safety Boat crews.
 - Conservative: help to minimise risk by taking an extra conservative approach to your boating.
- 17.2 All COVID restrictions at the event will be in conformance with the prevailing UK Government Regulations. It is the responsibility of all competitors and other persons attending the event to understand and comply with the UK Government Restrictions applying to the event.
- 17.4 The OA expect that general access to the Clubhouse and Changing rooms will be available and limited catering will be provided. If UK Government regulations change before the event access may be limited or prohibited, the OA will endeavour to communicate any changes in facilities to Competitors before the event however in the event of any change to the regulations Competitors may need to make their own arrangements for changing and refreshments.

Contacts:

Event Secretary - email: <u>events@suttonbinghamsc.net</u>
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