



Wessex Sailing Club
NOTICE of RACE
Wessex Winter Warmer
29rd-30th January 2022

1 INTRODUCTION

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Firefly dinghies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat shall be sailed by 2 people.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Wessex Sailing Club

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 open to all, but then teams are invited on a selection basis. To be eligible teams must submit an entry form before the closing date of the receipt of entries, and then selected teams will be announced shortly after Monday 3rd January 2022.
- 4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries is Sunday 2nd January 2022 and payment of the entry fee will be required after the teams are announced.
- 4.3 The maximum number of teams is 18
- 4.4 The entry fee will be £320 per team. This must be paid before the 10th January 2022.
- 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. 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 announced closer to the event.
- 5.2 Registration will take place at 8:15am at Spinnaker SC on Saturday 29th.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at 8:45am at Spinnaker SC.



5.4 The first warning signal will be at 9:27am.

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 CANCELLATION

7.1 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.

7.2 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event at least 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 the entry fee will be refunded less any costs incurred.

Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours of the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

If an entry is cancelled by a competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
Up to 15 th Jan 2022 12pm (noon)	100%
Up to 19 th Jan 2022 12pm (noon)	50%
After 19 th Jan 2022 12pm (noon)	0%

8 COVID STATEMENT

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Spinnaker Sailing Club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. 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.

9 RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE

9.1 Rule 3 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 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) They are 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.

10 PRIZES

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

The google entry form is to be completed by Sunday 2nd January 2022.