

# **Mirror Northern Area Championship**

# 4<sup>th</sup> May - 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

# **Bassenthwaite Sailing Club**

# NOTICE OF RACE

# 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.3 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.

# 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the Bassenthwaite Sailing Club website and at registration.

# 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse foyer.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

# 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all Mirror class dinghies.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter online via the Bassenthwaite SC website (https://webcollect.org.uk/bass-sc).
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4 The closing date for entry is midnight Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Entries after this date will be at the discretion of Bassenthwaite Sailing Club and at an additional cost.

# 5. FEES

- 5.1 A £10 early-entry discount is given to all entries received online by Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024.
- 5.2 An additional £5 discount is available to helms aged 17 or under as of Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2024
- 5.3 Entry fees prior to discounts: £35 per boat

# 6. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.



# 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Dates of racing are 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 inclusive.
- 7.2 Registration will be inside the Clubhouse between 1100-1300 on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of May.
- 7.2 There will be a briefing for competitors at 1330 hrs on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of May.
- 7.3 The Official Notice board is located inside the Clubhouse foyer.
- 7.4 The event will be a 6-race regatta held over three days.
- 7.5 The warning signal for race 1 will not be before 1424hrs on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of May.
- 7.6 Races 2-6 will follow on Sat 4<sup>th</sup>/Sun 5<sup>th</sup>/Mon 6<sup>th</sup> dependent upon conditions.
- 7.7 The warning signal for the 1<sup>st</sup> race on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May will not be before 1124hrs.
- 7.8 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 14.00 hrs.

#### 8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 All boats must comply with their Class Association rules.
- 8.2 Boats and sails may be scrutineered or measured at any time during the regatta

# 9. VENUE

The venue will be Bassenthwaite Sailing Club, Dubwath, Bassenthwaite Lake, Cockermouth, CA13 9YD. The Race Area will be on Bassenthwaite Lake.

# 10. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed and the marks to be used will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the briefing.

#### 11. SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM

Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

i). When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

ii). When 3 or 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

iii) When 5 or 6 races have been competed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

# 12. RISK STATEMENT

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, 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.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise 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.

#### 13. INSURANCE

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

#### 14. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the winners and other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

# END OF NOTICE OF RACE

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

- There are numerous local food outlets.
- Light catering will be available on Saturday and Sunday for breakfast and lunch.
- The bar will be open to provide drinks and light refreshments, plus teas and coffee's during the day.
- Camping is available on-site Friday to Monday. Motorhomes £12.50/night, tent £10.00/night.
- Dogs are permitted in the Club Grounds but must be kept on a lead and are not allowed in the Clubhouse. All competitors will be honorary members of Bassenthwaite SC for the duration of the event.
- All competitors agree to be bound by the Bye laws of Bassenthwaite SC and the Lake District National Park.