



## NOTICE OF RACE

### Allen Brothers UK Flying Fifteen Inland Championships 2023 Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Sat 2<sup>nd</sup>/Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

The organising authority is Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Ltd. in association with the UK Flying Fifteen Association (U.K.F.F.A.)

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Changes from v2 – addition of Allen Brothers as title sponsor.

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Rules of CVLSC and the Bristol Water byelaws, and the Rules of UKFFA and of Flying Fifteen International (FFI).
- 1.2. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3. A personal flotation device of an International Standard Approved Type must be worn by helm and crew at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40 and FFI Class Rule 15.4.
- 1.4. **No dogs are allowed on the premises.**

#### 2. Entries

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all Flying Fifteens with a valid measurement certificate. The certificate must be produced at Registration.
- 2.2. Entries should be made in advance through the Chew Valley Lake SC website at <https://webcollect.org.uk/cvlsc/event/flying-fifteen-inland-championship-2023>.
- 2.3. The deadline for early entries is 23:59 on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Late entries to be accepted on the day of the event subject to decision by the Host Club and Class Associations and will be subject to an additional £10 fee.
- 2.4. All helms must be current members of the UKFFA or of an association affiliated to FFI. Evidence of membership will be required at Registration.
- 2.5. All competing boats must complete a scrutineering form no later than 24 hours before the scheduled start of the first race. The form shall be completed online at <https://www.cognitofirms.com/UKFlyingFifteenAssociation/ScrutineerAndRegistrationSheetInlands2023>.
- 2.5. Those competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event shall be required to complete and lodge the parental/guardian's consent form included in the entry form with the Race Committee prior to the start of racing.

#### 3. Fees

- 3.1. The entry fees per boat for the event are:
  - (a) CVLSC members £65
  - (b) Visitors £75
- 3.2. Entry fee includes all weekend racing, hot drink and bacon / egg roll on arrival on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> and evening meal (main and dessert) on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> for both helm and crew.
- 3.3. If an entry is cancelled by a competitor:
  - (a) prior to the early-entry closing date, any entry fee paid will be refunded in full, less a £5 administration charge.
  - (b) after the early-entry closing date, no entry fee paid will be refunded.

#### **4. Cancellation**

- 4.1. The Organising Authority may cancel the event at its absolute discretion. If the Organising Authority deems (due to weather forecast, water levels etc) that the event should not be held, this decision will be made and communicated to entered boats no later than 20:00 on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August.
- 4.2. Should the Organising Authority cancel the event prior to the conclusion of race 1 the entry fee will be refunded.

#### **5. Schedule of Races**

- 5.1. Registration - All entrants must register at the Registration Desk (South-East corner of the ground floor of the clubhouse) which will be open from 09.30am on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 5.2. Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Briefing 11.15
- 5.3. (a) Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> September - The intention is to sail 4 Races back to back – 1st warning signal not before 12.30.  
(b) Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> September, The intention is to sail 3 Races back to back – 1st warning signal not before 10.30.
- 5.4. A maximum of 7 races will be sailed.
- 5.5. On Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>, no Warning flag will be flown after 15.00.

#### **6. Measurements**

- 6.1. All sails used at this event must be measured and endorsed on the boat's measurement certificate in accordance with the rules of FFI. The boat shall race only with sails endorsed on her certificate except that, in the case of the helmsperson sailing a borrowed boat, the boat may race with any combination of the sails endorsed on the certificate of the borrowed boat or on the certificate of another boat owned by the helmsperson. Both these certificates must be shown at Registration and will be examined by the Organising Authority.
- 6.2. The race committee reserves the right to require any boat or sail to be submitted for measurement at any time. This includes inspection of required equipment.

#### **7. Sailing Instructions**

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the CVLSC WebCollect entry site no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal. A single hard copy will be posted in the registration room on the South-East corner of the ground floor of the clubhouse on the day of the event.

#### **8. Support Boats**

- 8.1. Support boats shall not be allowed.

#### **9. Scoring System**

- 9.1. 1 Race will constitute a series.
- 9.2. When 4 or more races are sailed a boat may discard her worst score.

#### **10. Prizes**

- 10.1. The UKFFA Inland Championship trophies are as follows:
  - Championship Trophy
  - Silver Fleet Half Full (1st Silver Fleet Boat)
  - The Flying Fifteen Plan Drawing (1st Classic)
- 10.2. Additional prizes will be awarded dependant on the number of entries after the conclusion of the last race.

#### **11. Radio Communication**

- 11.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

#### **12. Rights to use Names & Likenesses**

- 12.1. Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the UKFFA 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.

### 13. Risk Statement

13.1. Rule 3 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

13.2. Competitors are entirely responsibly for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or, anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

13.3. It is for the competitors to decide whether their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going afloat, the competitors confirm that the boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them.

13.4. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the races and the event, and include Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Ltd, the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

13.5. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

13.6. Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.

### 14. Invasive Species:

14.1 CVLSC and Bristol Water are committed to the prevention of the spread of invasive species. We are following the Environment Agency and RYA guidelines – ‘CHECK CLEAN DRY’

<http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry>

Please make sure your boat has been clean and dry for at least 2 days prior to your arrival. The entry form will require you to self - certify that this is the case. You may be required to check and wash your boat before leaving Chew.

### 15. Social Arrangements

15.1. Entry includes tea/coffee and a bacon/egg roll on arrival on Saturday, together with an evening meal on Saturday evening (main and dessert).

15.2. Further refreshments and lunch are available with Antonia’s Deli (<https://www.antonias-deli.com>) at the club and additional evening meals for non-sailing family and friends will be available on the evening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> for £15.

15.3. Camper vans may be permitted on site on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> night only if pre-booked through Paul Nichols (contact details above). There will be a fee of £10