



Notice of Race: 2023 Gill Sunday Summer Series Every Sunday from 25th June to 10th September 2023.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. **Before competing on each day of the event, each helm must enter using the Grafham Water Sailing Club WebCollect facility.**
- 1.3. Competitors should note that Grafham Water Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the Racing Rules of Sailing (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at <https://www.rya.org.uk/racingrules>.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at [GWSC Website](#).
- 2.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the 'Gill Summer Series Sailing Instructions' that will be on the official notice board located at <https://www.grafham.org/sailing-racing/club-racing.html>. The modified start sequence is specified in the SIs.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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. ELIGABILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats.
- 4.2. The [Great Lakes Handicap System](#) applies to boats racing in handicap fleets.
- 4.3. Classes are defined as follows:

Start	Description	Fleets	Handicap	Course display location
1	Boats sailing windward/ leeward course Catamaran round the cans	Asymmetric Mono Asymmetric Cat Symmetric cat	<1101 <1101 <1001	Windward/ leeward SHS CB
2	Slow double-handed handicap (including Flying Fifteens) Slow Asymmetric	Double-handed inc. Flying Fifteens Asymmetric Mono	H-cap >1100	PHS CB Windward/ leeward
3	Laser, ILCA	Laser	1-Design	PHS CB
4	Solo Single-handed, round the cans	Solo Single handed	1-Design H-cap	PHS CB SHS CB

CB=Committee Boat, SHS=Starboard-hand side, PHS=Port-hand side

- 4.4. Boats shall enter the event by registering online at <https://webcollect.org.uk/grafham>

5. FEES (Does not apply)

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. The following crew limitations apply: *Sailors should be members or guests of Grafham Water Sailing Club*



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- 6.2. Class rules for each boat shall apply, except as modified by GWSC during the Covid limitation period for 2-person classes that have applied for dispensation to sail single-handed off a different handicap.
7. ADVERTISING
- 7.1. Advertising shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20 and the relevant rules of the individual competitor's Class Association. Grafham Water Sailing Club may require the display of advertising material
8. QUALIFYING SERIES & FINAL SERIES (Does not apply)
9. SCHEDULE
- 9.1. Three races are scheduled for each day's racing.
- 9.2. The warning signal for the first start of the first race of each day will not be before 10:57.
- 9.2.1. In the event of a single start being used, the warning signal will not be before 11:03.
10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION (Does not apply)
11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT
- 11.1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times when afloat.
12. VENUE (Does not apply)
13. COURSES
- 13.1. One design fleets (Laser & Solo) shall sail the course displayed on the port side of the committee boat. The slow double-handed-handicap fleet (start 2) should also sail the course on the port side of the committee boat.
- 13.2. Single-handed-handicap & symmetric catamaran fleets shall sail the course displayed on the starboard side of the committee boat.
- 13.2.1. The windward mark of the windward-leeward course is defined by the first mark on the course displayed on the starboard side of the committee boat with the exception that an extended windward mark is to be used when flag W is flying from the committee boat.
- 13.3. Boats must sail through the start-finish line at the completion of each lap, with the exception of boats sailing the windward-leeward course, which must sail through their downwind gate.
- 13.4. Boats sailing through the start-finish line during an off-wind leg will be disqualified from that race.
14. PENALTY SYSTEM
15. SCORING
- 15.1. The number of races to count in each series shall be 1 + 30% of the number of races (fractions will be rounded up) available in that series.
- 15.2. A minimum of one boat completing a race will ensure that the race is available to count towards the series.



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- 15.3. Race Officers and duty crews will be awarded average points for the event for the number of races scheduled for that day. When racing is cancelled, scoring OOD may be achieved by converting results from other days.
- 15.3.1. The average will be calculated from all of the qualifying races sailed.
- 15.3.2. Only one day's duties may be counted towards the series result of a boat.
- 15.3.3. One day's duties may only count towards the results of one boat.
- 15.3.4. If a helm performs a second duty in a series this may be used in a subsequent series.
- 15.4. Appendix A 5.3 will apply.
- 15.5. Appendix A8.2 shall be modified such that; in the case of ties which cannot otherwise be broken, discarded results should be taken into account before countback is applied.
16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS (Does not apply)
17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS (Does not apply)
18. BERTHING (Does not apply)
19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS (Does not apply)
20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS (Does not apply)
21. DATA PROTECTION
- 21.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club's data privacy policy can be found here:
https://www.grafham.org/wp-content/uploads/_pdfs/Club%20Documents/Privacy-Notice.pdf.
22. RISK STATEMENT
- RRS 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:
- 22.1. 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;
- 22.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 22.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 22.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 22.5. 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;
- 22.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;



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23. INSURANCE

- 23.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club General Instructions state that all craft shall be covered by third-party insurance for claims up to £2 million arising in any one accident.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1. Prizes for the series are awarded to:

- 24.1.1. Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7
- 24.1.2. Solo
- 24.1.3. Asymmetric multihull & monohull
- 24.1.4. Slow double-handed handicap (including Flying Fifteens)
- 24.1.5. Round the cans multihull
- 24.1.6. Single-handed handicap

- 24.2. The prize giving will be held as soon as possible after racing on 17th September 2023

- 24.3. Sailors are only able to receive the Gill prize for winning a series once per club-year. In the event of a sailor winning multiple series, the Gill prize will be passed down and the winner presented with a club prize.

- 24.4. Gill prizes will not be awarded to sailors including (DNC) in their score.

25. SPONSORSHIP

- 25.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club would like to thank our club sponsor Gill for their support of the club, this series and the prize-giving. The full range of Gill products can be seen at: <https://www.gillmarine.com/>

26. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 26.1. For further information please contact : office@grafham.org