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| **Notice of Race**  **Entries are invited for the**  **RS Tera North Traveller Open &**  **RS Feva Open Meeting**  **Organised by Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club**  **On 11th & 12th May 2019** |

**1. Rules**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* *2017-2020*

**1.2** Racing Rules 35, A4 and A5 are changed as follows: A time limit of 75 minutes for the first boat to finish will be imposed. If the leading boat finishes in this time, the time will be extended by a further 20 minutes. Boats not finishing within this time limit will be scored in their observed positions on the course or last mark rounding position if recorded.

**1.3** Rules 61.3 and 62.2 are changed as follows: The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the protesting competitor has finished the session in which the incident occurred or 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress.

**1.4** Rule 40 is changed as follows: Personal Buoyancy must be worn at all times when on the water. Flag Y will not be displayed.

The changes in full will appear in the Sailing Instructions. The sailing instructions may change other rules.

**2. Eligibility and Entry**

The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Tera and RS Feva classes.

**2.1. Fees**

Entry fees are:

Single hander £16 and Double hander £21 on-line via the Leigh & Lowton SC website before midnight 9th May 2019.

Single hander £23 and Double hander £29 cash entry on the day.

**3. Schedule**

The racing will take place on the 11th and 12th May 2019.

Registration: Saturday 11th May from 09:30 to 10:15.

Briefing: 10:15 on Saturday only

Saturday: First Warning Signal: 10:55

Sunday: First Warning Signal: 10:25

The open meeting will consist of up to 6 races. The intention is that there will be no more than 3 races a day. The Race Officer may vary the number of races at his/her discretion.

Provided that there are at least 5 entries for each RS Tera rig then there will be separate starts for Pro and Sport fleets and results will be calculated separately; otherwise a combined series will be held.

There will be a separate start and results for the RS Feva fleet.

No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on 12th May 2019

# 4. Sailing Instructions

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on line beforehand

**5. Venue**

**5.1** The location of Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club is Green Lane, Off Sandy Lane, Lowton, Warrington. WA3 1BJ.

Directions to the club can be found on the club website www.llsc.org.uk.

**5.2** The racing area will be on Pennington Flash.

**6. Courses**

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

**7. Scoring**

**7.1** 1 races are required to constitute a series

**7.2** When 4 to 6 races have been completed a boat’s series score will be the total of all her race scores, excluding her worst score.

**8. Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded according to the number of entries, but at least for the first 3 places in all fleets.

# 9. Insurance

Each participating boat will be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least £3,000,000.

**10.** **Risk statement**

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 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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.

**11. Cancellation**

If cancellation is required due to weather or any other unforeseen event, then where possible this will be notified via the website at least 24 hours before the start time for the event.