



NORTHAMPTON SAILING CLUB

Notice of Race

Solo Midlands Area at Pitsford Reservoir 1st July 2023 sponsored by Allen

Associate sponsors CB Coverstore and Jackson Composite Repairs

The races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the event supplementary sailing instructions. Competitors should note that Northampton Sailing Club (NSC) implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book.

Conditions of Entry

The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the boat, who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither the sailing instructions, nor the inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor for his/her crew his/her boat and the management thereof. The race organizers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race or races. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid Third Party Liability Insurance with a minimum Cover of £3 million. Entrants must be members of the relevant Class Association at the time of entering.

Entries to the Solo Midland Area can be made online at:

Northampton Sailing Club: Solo Midlands Area Open - July 1st (webcollect.org.uk)

Website entries will be available until **midnight on Thursday 29th June 2023 2022**. A maximum entry may be capped with a waiting list so please enter early to avoid disappointment (please note that your entry will only be accepted once full payment is received). We regret that entry fees are not refundable in the event that you are unable to participate. Please indicate if you require an evening meal on Saturday 11th June on the entry form.

Event Entry Fee - Online entries £15.00 or on the day of the event (if maximum entry has not been met), please enter early to avoid disappointment.

NSC reserves the right to cancel the event if minimum entries are not reached by the above closing date. In the event this occurs full refunds will be made to any paid entries.

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."

Taking part in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough sea or water, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

Midlands Area Programme

- Sailors briefing 10:30
- Race 1, first warning signal at 10:55
- Race 2 to follow
- Lunch
- Race 3 and 4 back-to-back
- Prize giving to follow as soon as possible after the completion of the last race sailed

The Event Supplementary sailing instructions will be available on the NSC website and at the time of registration.

Courses

Courses will be decided by the Race Officer on the day of racing, however examples of the types of courses that may be used are detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

Number of Races to Count / Discards.

The anticipated number of races in the meeting is 4.

- 4 races completed 3 will count with 1 discard,
- 3 races completed 2 will count with 1 discard,
- 2 or less races completed all will count.

Advertising

Advertising chosen by the Midland Area Rep and Solo Class Association may be displayed on hulls, spars and sails without restriction except on the spaces reserved for identification by Appendix G of the Racing Rules and under Regulations 20.5 & 20.9 of the ISAF Regulation.

The chosen advertising should be attached to the boat in accordance with the instructions provided by the Organisers at registration.

Measurements / Membership

Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate, which should be produced on request. Is it preferable but not necessary to be a member of the Solo Association to enter the event.

The Race Committee reserves the right to require any boat or sail to be submitted for measurement at any time before, during or after the event. Boats may be spot checked during the event.

GDPR

Solo Midland Area area rep will receive email addresses of competitors. This is to communicate the review of this event, and photos, of this event including future Midland Area events. If you do not want your email shared with the area rep, please tick the box in the booking form.

Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Solo Midland Area, having regard to the number of boats entered. Additional category prizes will be at the discretion of the Solo Midland Area.

Safety

A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

Contact for the event:

Kev Hall – <u>kev_hall@sky.com</u> Solo Midland Area Rep - 5524

BIOSECURITY -

You will be required to confirm that your boat has been 'Checked, Cleaned and Dried' for a minimum of two days prior to arriving at Northampton Sailing Club.

For your information - Facilities

Any visitors wishing to camp either in tents, motorhomes, caravans etc. should register on our website. As the grass areas remain soft, kindly ask any motorhomes and caravans users to park only on tarmac areas. Please

pay the £5.00 per night camping fee before leaving the event. Please confirm a booking by completing the form on this link: https://northamptonsailingclub.org/booking-camping/. Camping will follow NSC's camping policy available in the documents section in our website.

The code for unlocking the main gate and changing room door will be shared near the date. This will become active at 00hr01 on June 30th until midnight on July 2nd

Changing rooms, toilets and showering facilities will be available during the event for competitors and visitors.

Our galley will be providing filled breakfast rolls, hot lunches, filled baps, cakes with teas and coffees throughout the event. Bar will be open from 13:00. Payment at counter.

Northampton Sailing Club Details:

Pitsford Reservoir Brixworth Northants.

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Tel: 01604 880248

Email: info@northamptonsailingclub.org

See website for further information, how to find the club, local accommodation etc.

www.northamptonsailingclub.org or https://northamptonsailingclub.org/solos/

Dogs are allowed on site - to be always kept on a lead