

**Rock Sailing and Water Ski Club  
Notice of Race  
Gul Fireball UK Nationals and Open Championships  
20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RYA prescriptions, and the rules of the individual competitor's Class Association.
- 1.2 The Rock Sailing and Water Ski Club (RSWSC) Sailing Instructions (SI) will apply except as stated in any supplementary Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The rules of the UK and International Fireball Class Association (UKFA) shall apply, except where changed by this Notice.

**2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the relevant rules of the individual competitor's Class Association. The Fireball Association or RSWSC may require the display of advertising material.

**3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code shall not apply to this event.
- 3.2 The event is open to all boats of the International Fireball Class. The helm and crew must be paid up, full members of the UK Fireball Association, or any other Fireball National Class Association recognised by the UK Fireball Association, prior to registration. All sailors will be required to show their measurement certificate valid for 2024.
- 3.3 Entries will not be accepted from any boat owned or effectively controlled or managed by a Russian or Belarusian individual or entity.
- 3.4 The event comprises two separate championships:
  - 3.4.1 The UK Fireball National Championship - Open to any helm and crew who are members of the UK Fireball Association.
  - 3.4.2 The UK Fireball Open Championship – Open to any helm who is a current member of any Fireball International Class Association including the UK Fireball Association, but excluding Russia and Belarus (see NoR 3.3)
- 3.5 Entry fees are:
  - £235 per boat if paid by 23:59 on 31/5/24
  - £265 per boat (late entry) after 1/6/24
  - £25 discount per youth entry
- 3.6 Entry fee includes boat park and harbour dues.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by completing the regatta Entry Form on the RSWSC Website and paying the required fee as directed online: [Rock Sailing and Water Ski Club: Gul Fireball National Nationals & Open Championships 2024 \(webcollect.org.uk\)](https://www.rock-sailing-and-water-ski-club.org.uk/gul-fireball-national-nationals-open-championships-2024)

- 3.7 All boats must display the Fireball International plaque appropriate for the event year.
- 3.8 All boats, sails, spars and foils will be subject to scrutineering. This must be completed before the first race and is the competitors duty to request from the UKFA committee in a timely manner. Boats etc may be subject to further checks throughout the event.
- 3.9 Each boat may register up to two measured mainsails, jibs and spinnakers for use during the event. All sails presented must have been previously measured, comply with class rules, and stamped and signed when required by class rules.
- 3.10 In the event of a sail becoming damaged during the event, competitors may register a replacement sail by presenting it and the damaged sail to the Technical Committee (TC).
- 3.11 All boats shall sail using their registered sail numbers. Any changes to sail numbers shall be requested in writing and approved by the RC before racing commences.

#### 4 CLASS STARTS

- 4.1 Single start for all competitors as per section 6 below.

#### 5 RESULTS AND PRIZES

- 5.1 The results will be published in the RSWSC Club House and on the RSWSC web site as soon as practicable after each race.
- 5.2 There will be a daily prizegiving in the evening at the Rock Sailing and Waterski Club. Times for which will be posted on the Official Notice Board
- 5.3 The event prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the completion of racing on Tuesday 23rd July in the Rock Sailing and Waterski Club clubhouse.
- 5.4 Prizes will be awarded for both the UK Nationals and UK Open events at the discretion of the RSWSC and UKFA.

#### 6 SCHEDULE and FORMAT

- 6.1 Registration Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July from 17:00 to 18:00 and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July from 11:00 to 11:30.
- 6.2 Daily sailors briefing at RSWSC 90 minutes prior to the first race of the day.
- 6.3 Race dates & times will be posted daily based on the schedule below:

Race Times		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Saturday	20/07/2024	14:00	After R1						
Sunday	21/07/2024			11:00	After R3				
Monday	22/07/2024					12:00	After R5		
Tuesday	23/07/2024							10:00	After R7

(Note: If conditions dictate and racing has to be in the harbour or other sheltered area times may be changed).

- 6.4 Tide times:

	Date	HW	Height
Saturday	20/07/2024	17:37	6.7
Sunday	21/07/2024	18:22	7.1
Monday	22/07/2024	19:07	7.4
Tuesday	23/07/2024	07:30	7.3

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SCORING

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available in the RSWSC Club House and online. The Sailing Instructions for the regatta contain additional information regarding the regatta.
- 7.2 3 completed races are required in order to constitute a series
- 7.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 7.4 When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 7.5 When 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 7.6 The UKFA will allocate boats to Gold, Silver and Bronze Fleets. These allocations shall not be grounds for redress, this changes RRS 62.1(a)

## 8. CHARTERED OR LOAN BOATS

- 8.1 A chartered or loan boat may carry national letters or sail numbers in contravention of her class rules and G3, provided the RC has approved her sail identification before the first race.

## 9. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 9.1 Competitors automatically grant to the UKFA and their sponsors without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion or still pictures and live, taped, or filmed television of or relating to the event.

## 10. VENUE AND COURSES

- 10.1 The regatta is held in the River Camel and the Camel Estuary, Rock, Cornwall.
- 10.2 Course areas will be selected based on daily prevailing and forecasted conditions, generally course area 4 will be used as shown in ANNEX 1 below unless conditions dictate otherwise.
- 10.3 All course areas are shown below in ANNEX 1.
- 10.4 Courses will be displayed prior to the days racing in the RSWSC Club House, and if appropriate on WhatsApp.
- 10.5 Boat parking is at Ferry Point (Shown on the diagram at ANNEX 1) which is a short walk along the beach from RSWSC. Launching is via the slipways.

## 11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 12 INSURANCE

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

equivalent.

### 13. OFF WATER PROGRAM

	Date	Time	Event	Venue	Cost
Friday	19/07/2024	17:00	Registration to 18:00	RSWSC	Bar/Galley Open
Friday	19/07/2024	18:00	Fish and Chips	RSWSC	Own Expense
Saturday	20/07/2024	11:00	Registration	RSWSC	Bar/Galley Open
Saturday	20/07/2024	12:00	Briefing	RSWSC	Bar/Galley Open
Saturday	20/07/2024	18:00	Reception	RSWSC	Included
Saturday	20/07/2024	18:30	Daily Prizegiving	RSWSC	Included
Sunday	21/07/2024	Time TBA	*Class AGM	RSWSC	Bar Open
Sunday	21/07/2024	18:00	Daily Prizegiving	RSWSC	Included
Monday	22/07/2024	19:00	Championship Dinner	RSWSC	Included
Monday	22/07/2024	19:30	Daily Prizegiving	RSWSC	Included
Tuesday	23/07/2024	14:00	Prizegiving	RSWSC	Bar/Galley Open
Tuesday	23/07/2024	18:00	Club Quay BBQ	RSWSC	Bring own food - bar open

(\*Note: Class AGM time/day may be subject to change to fit the sailing schedule as appropriate)

### 14. ACCOMMODATION

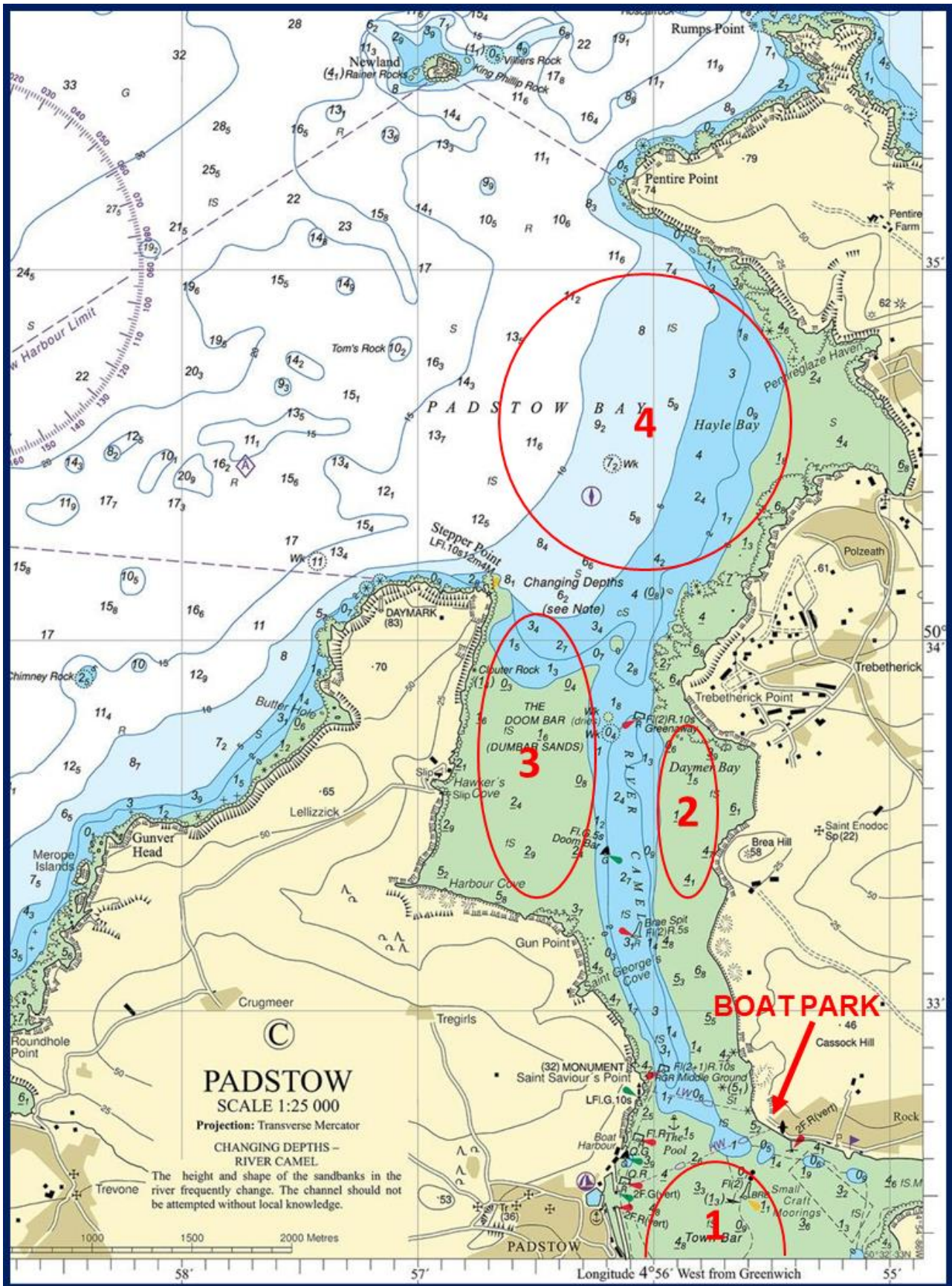
Details of local accommodation can be found on the club website via this link:

<https://rswsc.co.uk/home/sailing/accommodation-information>

15. For further information please contact the Club:

**Rock Sailing and Water Ski Club, The Quay, Rock, Wadebridge, Cornwall, PL27 6LB.**

# ANNEX 1 RSWSC COURSE AREAS



## Boat Park and Launching



## Example Slipway

