THE INTERNATIONAL GP14 CLASS ASSOCIATION

The Craftinsure Super 7 Series Midland Area Championship

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Miracle Class Midland Championship
Organised By Staunton Harold Sailing Club
April 13th 14th 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation" (DP)" in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the relevant class association rules.
- 1.2 Racing Rules 61.1(a)2, 27.1 and 40 will be changed as follows
 - 61.1(a)2 is deleted. A protest flag will be required (GP14s only).
 - 27.1 and 40 will be changed to require the use of personal flotation devices when afloat.

Any changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

The sailing instructions may change other rules.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies (DP)

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the International GP 14 Class whose <u>helm</u> is a member of the International GP 14 Association (temporary memberships of the Association are available) and boats of the Miracle class.
- 3.2 GP14s Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form together with the required fee to International GP 14 Class Association, Albert House, 42 Seymour Road, Astley Bridge, Bolton. BL1 8PT. or by filling in an on line entry form @www.gp14.org and paying the required fee.

The closing date is midnight on Wednesday April 10th 2019.

Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions - by paying a late entry fee of an additional £15.00 and at the discretion of the host Club.

Miracles – pay on the day at registration.

- 3.3 Competitors who are under 18 before and including the last date of the regatta must have a declaration form completed by their parent or guardian before they will be allowed to compete. This applies to helms and crews. The parental declaration form is part of the entry form.
- 3.4 GP14 Competitors shall declare their fleet grading when entering. The guidelines for fleet selection are noted on the entry form.
- 3.5 All boats shall be washed and declared killer shrimp free on entry to the site.

4. FEES

Required Fees are as follows:

- GP14s The entry fee for the event is £27 on or before April 10th 2019. Miracles The entry fee is £25 pay on the day.
- An evening meal will be available on Saturday April 13th for £9 to be booked and paid for at registration.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration: Will be in the clubhouse from 09.30 am on Saturday 13th April
- 5.2 Competitor Briefing: There will be a briefing for competitors at 11-00 am on Saturday 13th April
- 5.3 The official notice board is inside the clubhose.

5.4 Dates, Times and Number of Races:

The event is intended to be a *six* race regatta (five races for Miracle class) held over two days. Some races may be sailed back to back. There will be separate starts for each class.

Date	Time of warning signal	
Saturday April 13 th 2019 (GP14s)	Not before 11:30am	Race 1, GP14s only
Saturday April 13 th 2019 (Miracles)	Not before 1:30pm	Race 2 and Race 3 to follow
Sunday April 14 th 2019	Not before 11:00am	Race 4, Race 5 and Race 6 to follow

5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15.00hrs.

6. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration. Only certified sails may be used. All boats are liable to equipment checks on arrival or measured at any time during the Championship.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be available on the Association web site beforehand.

8. VENUE

8.1 The venue is Staunton Harold Sailing Club, Staunton Harold Reservoir, Melbourne, Derbyshire. DE73 8DL.

9. THE COURSES

The courses will use the club marks (a plan of which will be available with the Sailing Instructions).

10. SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM

Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

GP14s

- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

Miracles

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- (b) When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. (DP)

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the winner of the regattas. For the GP14 competitors, prizes may also be awarded to the winners of the 'Gold, Silver and Bronze fleets'. The entry form contains guidelines for selection of fleet and competitors shall nominate their chosen fleet on that form.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

13. 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 inherently 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event 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.
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

14. INSURANCE

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

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact Charles Saunders 01332-518781 or 07554-432649 or charles.saunders@talk21.com or GP14 Office at admin@gp14.org.uk OR Graham Watts 07845-210180 or graham3794@sky.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Additional Information

<u>Camping</u>

Camping is possible adjacent to the clubhouse and motor caravans may use the car park. (This is not serviced except by use of the clubhouse facilities).

B&B accommodation

See "Places to stay" on the club website.

<u>A Reminder</u>

You must book and pay for the Saturday evening meal at Registration.