



GP14 Class Midlands Championships Sat/Sunday 9/10th Oct 2021

Organised by Staunton Harold Sailing Club



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Notice of Race

1. RULES

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021–2024 and the Class association rules.

Racing rules 40 and 61 will be changed as follows

Rule 40 – personal flotation devices – Rule 40.1 shall apply

Rule 61.1 (a) 2 is deleted. A protest flag is required.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on line at www.shsc.org.uk and www.gp14.org approximately 2 weeks before the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

While racing, 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. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- a. The event is open to all boats of the GP14 class whose helm is a member of the International GP 14 Association (temporary memberships of the Association is available in our [Shop](#)).
- b. Eligible boats shall enter on line via <https://www.gp14.org/shop/>
- c. Entries will only be accepted when payment in full has been made.



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- d. Closing date for entries is midnight on Wednesday 6th October
- e. Competitors shall declare their fleet grading on entering. Guidelines for fleet selection are noted on the entry form.
- f. Competitors who are under 18 before the 11th October 2021 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. Forms for completion are on our website [here](#)

5. **FEES**

The entry fee per baot is £32 Adult, £24 Youth Helm and only £16 for Youth Helm + Youth Crew.

6. **ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority

7. **SCHEDULE**

- a. Pre-registration is required. Access to register for the event is from the GP14 Association web site:- www.gp14.org.uk
- b. Due to Covid-19 regulations pre-event briefing information is available and should be viewed by competitors prior to the event via www.shsc.org.uk
- c. Toilet facilities will be available, however due to Covid-19 regulations indoor changing and showering facilities may be limited due to social distancing requirements. (A shower will be available for emergency use in case of hypothermia etc.)
- d. It is intended to hold 6 races over two days, please note this is subject to change - Based on the wind conditions and the PRO's decision on the day. Races may be run back to back. No more than four races will be run on one day.
- e. The warning signal for the first race will not be before 12.00pm Saturday 9th October 2021 and 11.00am on Sunday 10th October 2021



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8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1. Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.
- 8.2 Boats may be inspected at any time

9. THE VENUE and COURSES

- a. Racing will take place at Staunton Harold Sailing Club, Melbourne, DE73 8DL which is the organizing authority for this event.
- b. The courses to be sailed will use the club marks a plan of which will be available with the sailing instructions on line.

10. SCORING

- a. 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- b. When less than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
- c. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 SUPPORT VESSELS

Support vessels are not allowed.

12. BERTHING AND LAUNCHING

Boats shall be unloaded, rigged, and kept as directed, ensuring all boats are well spaced apart allowing easy social distancing in line with Covid-19 regulations.

13. 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."

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;



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- 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.

14. PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the first 3 boats and additional prizes may be awarded.

15. 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.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Charles Saunders 07554 432649, charles.saunders@talk21.com or alternatively email RC Sailing (Sam Jones) at samlakes123@gmail.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Additional information

Refreshments

A Galley service will be available for drinks and food each day.

Camping

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).

Other Accommodation

See "Places to stay" on the club website.



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