# SHROPSHIRE SAILING CLUB



# GP14 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event



# NOTICE OF RACE - GP14 OPEN MEETING 28th June 2025

#### **GENERAL**

A regatta series of 2 races will be held at Shropshire Sailing Club on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 forming a part of the GP14 Association's Midland Bell Series. An additional "fun" race will also be held, but this will not form part of the regatta series.

#### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority will be Shropshire Sailing Club

#### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RYA prescriptions and the rules of the GP14 Class Association.
- 2.2 The Shropshire Sailing Club Sailing Instructions will apply except as stated in any supplementary Sailing Instructions and will be available on registration.
- 2.3 All advertising shall comply with ISAF rule 20

## 3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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 AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to all boats of the GP14 class that comply with the GP14 Class Association Rules (latest edition is at <a href="https://www.gp14.org">www.gp14.org</a>)
- 4.2 Registration/Entries may be accepted up to 30 minutes before the first start.
- 4.3 Entry fees for the regatta will be £20 payable online before the event and £25 for late entries to be paid on the day.

# 5. RACING PROGRAMME

- 5.1 The event will take place on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- 5.2 Registration will be between 9:00am and 10:30am on the day of the event.
- 5.3 The warning signal for the first race will be at 10:55am.
- 5.4 A briefing will take place at 10:30am prior to the first race.
- 5.5 Two races will be sailed, both of which will count.
- 5.6 A third 'fun' race will also take place, but will not count.

# 6. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 6.1 Each entrant may be asked to produce a valid measurement certificate or evidence that the boat complies with the relevant class rules.
- 6.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

# 7. VENUE

7.1 Whitemere, Shropshire, SY12 0HU

# 8. COURSES

8.1 Course details will be as per the Sailing Instructions

# 9. SCORING

9.1 R.R.S. Appendix A will apply using the A4 low points scoring system.

# 10. FUNDAMENTAL RULES AND RISK ASSESSMENT

10.1 R.R.S Part 1 Fundamental Rules will apply

10.2 R.R.S. 3 states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"

#### 11. LIABILITIES AND INSURANCES

- 11.1 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:-
- They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held;
- Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.

INSPECTIONS The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race. DECLARATION By entering the event competitors agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. In particular, confirm that they have read the Notice of Race and accept its provisions and agree that their boat will conform to the requirements set out in the Notice of Race & the Sailing Instructions throughout the event.

## 12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes for events will be at the discretion of the Race Committee

# 13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 13.1 Changing and catering facilities are available in the Clubhouse.
- 13.2 Directions to Shropshire Sailing Club are available on the Club website:

https://sailshropshire.co.uk/about-ssc/find-us

13.3 Entrants and authorised guests are temporary members of Shropshire Sailing Club during the period of the event and shall comply with all Club Bylaws. Failure to comply may result in penalties being imposed, which may include disqualification from the event.