



Solo Inland Championships 17th and 18th September 2016

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INNOVATIVE SAILING SOLUTIONS

**Organised by the National Solo Class Association
in conjunction with Rutland Sailing Club**

Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Rutland, LE15 8HJ ● 01780 720292 ● www.rutlandsc.co.uk

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2 Competitors should note that the National Solo Class Association (NSCA) implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter.
- 1.3 (a) Rule 43.1(b) will be amended such that a competitor's clothing and equipment shall not weigh more than 10 kg including footwear and clothing worn below the knee.
(b) Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat, except for short periods whilst changing clothing. Flag 'Y' will not be displayed; this changes Rule 40 and Race Signals Y.
(c) The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 Competitors automatically grant the NSCA and Rutland Sailing Club without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to, the regatta, unless otherwise advised in writing prior to the regatta.
- 1.5 The hull number must be displayed on the sail. In exceptional circumstances the NSCA Committee will accept a written application to use another distinguishing number on a sail. In any event a boat must display a number consisting of at least three digits which must differ from any other boat competing at the event.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Competitors must be full members of the NSCA or an overseas Solo class association recognised by the NSCA. Competitors may join the NSCA at registration prior to the event.
- 2.2 Prior to racing, competitors must have completed the entry form (available at registration) and have paid the necessary entry fees for the event in order to be eligible to race.
- 2.3 Overseas competitors will be defined as not being permanently resident in England, Scotland or Wales. Competitors shall compete as individuals and not as representing a particular country.
- 2.4 Running in parallel with the main competition will be a vintage event open to National Solo class dinghies with hull numbers lower than 4269. The first two races sailed each day shall count towards the vintage event.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee will be: Seniors £45.00 per boat, Juniors £25.00 per boat.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 A training day will take place on Friday 16th September, at a cost of £5.00. Pre-registration is required to take part in this day. Details will be available on the NSCA website (www.solosailing.org.uk).
- 4.2 Registration will take place in the clubhouse from 09:00 to 12:00 on Saturday. Please report to the main reception.
- 4.3 There will be a competitor briefing at 10:00 on Saturday in the Wet Bar.
- 4.4 There will be three back-to-back races on each day.
- 4.5 The scheduled times of the warning signal for the first race are 11:25 on Saturday and 10:55 on Sunday.
- 4.6 The last warning signal on both days will be no later than 14.55; no racing will be started after this time.

5 MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1 Each boat shall produce at registration: a valid measurement certificate with the name of the current owner, and a current buoyancy endorsement signed and witnessed in accordance with NSCA rules.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be available after Monday 12th September on the web sites of Rutland Sailing Club (www.rutlandsc.co.uk) and the Class Association (www.solosailing.org.uk). Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The regatta will be held at Rutland Sailing Club, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 8HJ.
- 7.2 The location of the racing area on the reservoir will be shown on the Official Notice Board.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be used will be: Triangle-Windward-Leeward (“Triangle-Sausage”) and Windward-Leeward. The Windward-Leeward course may be used in lower wind strength conditions.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 (a) For the Inland Championship, when fewer than four races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) For the Inland Championship, when four or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) For the vintage event, when three or four races have been completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

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
- 11.2 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; and
- (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.

12 INSURANCE

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 For further information relating to accommodation, catering etc, please refer to the Rutland Sailing Club web site: www.rutlandsc.co.uk.

APPENDIX ONE

Check, Clean & Dry Procedure for visiting ribs, dinghies & cruisers.



In order to comply with Anglian Waters' byelaws for Rutland Water all visiting boats must comply with the **CHECK, CLEAN & DRY** procedure **BEFORE ARRIVING AT Rutland Sailing Club**.

Check	Check your equipment and clothing for living organisms. Pay particular attention to areas that are damp or hard to inspect.
Clean	Clean and wash all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly, use hot water where possible. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them. (Cleaning & washing must be done away from Rutland Water when visiting the Club)
Dry	Dry all equipment and clothing – some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

Visiting boats will be randomly checked on arrival and if found to be in a condition that causes concern, will not be allowed to be brought on site. All sailors & rib drivers will be expected to sign a statement to confirm that they have Checked, Cleaned and Dried their boats before arriving at RSC. This will be normally included with the race entry form or the rib registration form that must be signed before racing starts.

Additional Information

Ribs: Any ribs that have flooding hulls are not allowed to be brought to the club. Engines should be flushed out with hot water before they are brought to Rutland water.

Launching Trollies/Trailers: should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary to launch & recover the boat

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