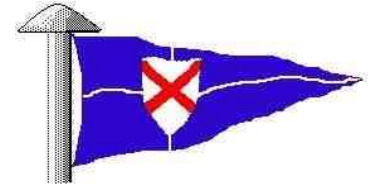


B14

The GUL B14 National
Championships
2nd-4th September 2016



**Porthpean Sailing Club
(PSC)**

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 -2016 and the Sailing Instructions and any local Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The class rules of the B14 Class Association will apply.
- 1.3 The organising authority is Porthpean Sailing Club. In the event of any conflict, the Sailing Instructions and local Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the B14 Class Association.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the B14 class of which at least one crew member of each boat must be a member of the B14 Class Association.
- 3.2 Only UK association members are eligible for the National Championship.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and sending it, and the required fee, to the entry secretary as per the instructions on the entry form.
- 3.4 All Helms and Crews under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their Parent or Guardian.

4. ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 Entries shall be made using the event entry form
- 4.2 Received before or on 17th Aug 2016: £110
Received on or after 18th Aug 2016: £135

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration and scrutineering will take place at club house from 1000hrs to 1830hrs on Thursday 1st September 2016 and then from 0930hrs on Friday 2nd September 2016.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1055hrs. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each following day will be 1025hrs.
- 5.3 A competitors briefing will be held at 1000hrs on Friday 2nd September.
- 5.4 10 races are scheduled to be sailed as follows:
- Friday 2nd September Races 1, 2, 3 and 4
Saturday 3rd September Races 5, 6, 7 and 8
Sunday 4th September Races 9 & 10
- 5.5 Discards. 1-3 races – no discard. 4 - 8 races – 1 discard. 9 or 10 races – 2 discards.
- 5.6 The last race on Sunday will not be started later than 13.30

6. MEASUREMENTS

The B14 Class Association reserves the right to undertake measurement of the competing boats to ensure compliance with the B14 Class Rules. If applicable, fleet measurement will be undertaken from 1000hrs on Thursday 1st September and then on Friday morning before 1030hrs. Each boat shall lodge a completed measurement form signed by a fleet measurer with the club officer administering registration of entries. Confirmation of any measurement exercise will be placed on the B14 website www.b14.org, in advance of the event.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be issued at registration and will also be available in advance from www.b14.org , and the Porthpean Sailing Club website: www.porthpeansc.co.uk

8. SAILING AREA

- 8.1 Courses will be set in St Austell Bay.
- 8.2 Courses will be windward/leeward as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING

9.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 Racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 will be changed as follows: Two-turn penalty is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

10.2 Racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 are further changed in that when an incident occurs where a penalty applies while the head of the spinnaker is above the main-boom gooseneck, the penalty may be taken immediately after the next time the head of the spinnaker is lowered below the main-boom gooseneck but shall be taken prior to rounding the next mark or crossing the finishing line.

10.3 Rule 44.3 will not apply.

10.4 Touching a mark (other than a starting or finishing line mark) with any part of the boat or crew shall not constitute an infringement of the Rules. Manhandling a mark which results in an advantage is not allowed and a boat so doing shall promptly retire. If a boat touches a start or finish mark they shall complete a one-turn penalty as described in RRS 44.2. This changes RRS 31.

11. PRIVATE SUPPORT BOATS

11.1 During racing support boats shall remain more than 100 metres from the course area except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

12. BERTHING

12.1 Boats shall be kept adjacent to PSC.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Prizes will be awarded dependent on the number of entries.

13.2 The prize giving shall be held in the clubhouse as soon as possible after racing on Sunday 4th September.

14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 RRS 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 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.

15. INSURANCE

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

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times whilst afloat. Wetsuits and drysuits are not adequate personal buoyancy

17. CLUBHOUSE CONTACT DETAILS:

Porthpean SC, Lower Porthpean, St. Austell. PL26 6AU

Tel:01726 66266

18. ANY OTHER INFO

www.porthpeansc.co.uk
www.b14.org