Notice of Race:
2021 Long Distance Race for Jubilee Trophies
Monday 30th August 2021

1. RULES
   1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
   1.3. Before competing, each helm must enter using the Grafham Water Sailing Club WebCollect facility.
   1.4. Competitors should note that Grafham Water Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the Racing Rules of Sailing (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at https://www.rya.org.uk/racingrules.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
   2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at GWSC Website.
   2.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at https://www.grafham.org/sailing-racing/club-racing/race-management/sailing-instructions.html. The modified start sequence is specified in the SSIs.

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. The event is open to all boats with a handicap of 1400 or faster.
   4.2. The Great Lakes Handicap System applies to all boats.
   4.3. Boats shall enter the event by registering online at https://webcollect.org.uk/grafham
   4.4. Entry is limited to 100 boats
   4.5. Crews in a team may share boats or use separate boats; replacement boats must leave the shore after the previous boat has landed.
   4.6. Grafham Water Sailing Club reserves the right to refuse entries on the day on safety or operational grounds.

5. FEES
   5.1. Entry will be free for boats based at Grafham Water Sailing Club only.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS
   6.1. Class rules for each boat shall apply, except as modified by GWSC during the Covid limitation period for 2 person classes that have applied for dispensation to sail single-handed off a different handicap.

7. ADVERTISING
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7.1. Advertising shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20 and the relevant rules of the individual competitor's Class Association. Grafham Water Sailing Club may require the display of advertising material.

8. QUALIFYING SERIES & FINAL SERIES (Does not apply)

9. SCHEDULE

9.1. The race will start at 10:30 and will continue until the completion of the next lap after 17:00.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION (Does not apply)

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times when afloat.

12. VENUE (Does not apply)

13. COURSES

13.1. It is intended that there will be one or two courses, depending on the spread of handicaps of competing boats, to give an average sailing lap time of about one hour for the mid-fleet boats in each start in the prevailing conditions. The courses will be announced at the Competitor briefing and displayed on the event Notice Board. It is expected that the courses will use predominantly Club Marks.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

15. SCORING

15.1. Boats will sail on an average lap time basis, and the results will be calculated on the number of laps sailed against elapsed time for each boat.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS (Does not apply)

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS (Does not apply)

18. BERTHING (Does not apply)

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS (Does not apply)

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS (Does not apply)

21. DATA PROTECTION


22. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 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 inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

22.1. 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;
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22.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

22.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

22.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

22.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

22.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

23. 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 for the event.

INSURANCE

23.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club General Instructions state that all craft shall be covered by third-party insurance for claims up to £2 million arising in any one accident.

24. PRIZES

24.1. Prizes for will be awarded for the lowest corrected average lap time.

24.2. The Golden Jubilee Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.

24.3. The Silver Jubilee Trophy will be awarded to the second placed overall.

24.4. There will be a prize for the boat/team completing the highest number of laps.

24.5. Fleet prizes will be given to any class with five or more entries.

24.6. Prizes will be awarded to the first non-foiling monohull, catamaran, and keelboat and the first foiling boat.

24.7. The prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the end of racing.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1. For further information please contact: office@grafham.org