

Notice of Race – UPDATED 05/1219
39th Grafham Grand Prix - 4th event of the Selden SailJuice Winter Series
Sunday 29th December 2019

Sponsored by SAILING CHANDLERY

The organising authority is Grafham Water Sailing Club and the Sailjuice Winter Series.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Rule 40 shall apply at all times while afloat. Flag Y will not be displayed ashore. This changes RRS 40.
- 1.3. Wet or dry suits must be worn whilst afloat.

2. GPS TRACKERS

Competitors will be required to carry a GPS tracking unit onboard as supplied by the Organising Authority. The tracker shall be collected from the ground floor café before going afloat and returned there after the day's racing within the protest time.

Failure to collect and carry a tracker will result in no Great British Sailing Challenge result. It may also result in a scoring penalty without a hearing of 10% on the first race of the day sailed calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

Failure to return the tracker within the protest time may also result in a scoring penalty without a hearing of 10% on the last race of the day sailed calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

3. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats with Event Handicaps as listed in the Annex. **Entries from classes not listed in the Annex will be declined unless they have sought and received approval from the GWSC Office (contact details below) on or before 17:00 on Friday 20th December 2019.**
- 4.2. **Pre-entry is by ON LINE ONLY at www.sailjuiceseries.com up to 20:00 on Friday 27th December 2019.**
- 4.3. **Entry is limited to the first 200 boats received and paid.**
- 4.4. **It is not intended to permit late entries after the Closing Time of 20:00 on Friday 27th December 2019.**
- 4.5. Entries to the complete Sailjuice Winter Series will automatically be registered as valid entries to the Grafham Grand Prix.
- 4.6. The intended handicap ranges are:
 - 4.6.1. Asymmetric Monohulls ratings 697 - 1190
 - 4.6.2. Multihulls/Catamarans ratings 566 – 1162
 - 4.6.3. Non Asymmetric Monohulls ratings 878 – 1210
 - 4.6.4. Foiling Classes ratings 500 – 800
 - 4.6.5. These handicap ranges may be changed at the discretion of the organising authority and any variation detailed in the Sailing Instructions and posted on the official notice board.
- 4.7. We cannot accept entries from Sailboards
- 4.8. Entries may be substituted up to the Event Closing Time. Thereafter only the following changes will be permitted:
 - Change of helm or crew
 - Change of sail number (but not in conjunction with change of helm).Any such changes must be notified to the Grafham Club Office by 0930 on Sunday 29th December.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees for boats sailed by visitors will be £25 for single hander boats and £29 for double hander boats.
- 5.2. Entry fees for boats helmed by a Grafham Water Sailing Club sailing member who has a registered boat at Grafham will be £9 for single hander boats and £11 for double hander boats.
- 5.3. Entry fees include:
 - 5.3.1. Trackers provided by Sailjuice

5.3.2. A complementary glass of mulled wine and mince pie which will be served in the ground floor cafe after sailing.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Registration

On arrival at the Club Gate or at the GWSC office from 08.00 on Sunday 29th December 2019.

6.2. Briefing

There will be briefings in the ground floor café at:

09.40 SLOW FLEET

09.50 MEDIUM FLEET

10.00 FAST FLEET

6.3. Classes & Starts.

6.3.1.The Annex, attached to this Notice of Race, groups eligible dinghies into their **provisional** Race Starts. Final Fleet compositions will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

6.3.2.There will be three race tracks with one start on each.

6.4. Race Format

Three back to back races are scheduled with the first race warning at 10.55.

7. MEASUREMENTS

Each boat may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be published on the Club Web Site by 7pm on Saturday 28th December. As part of our green initiative we will not be handing out printed copies, a full set will be posted on the official notice board in the downstairs café.

9. THE COURSES

FAST FLEET COURSE – WINDWARD/LEEWARD

MEDIUM FLEET COURSE - TRAPEZOID

SLOW FLEET COURSE - TRAPEZOID

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed for all multihulls (including Challengers and Vortexes) so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

11.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2. When two or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores.

11.3. When three races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats are not allowed.

13. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available all boats.

15. PRIZES

Fleet Prizes will be given to each of the fleet starts with additional prizes to any class with eight or more entries.

If there are 8 or more entries of catamarans in one start they will be given additional prizes.

Prizes will be given according to entry numbers.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by 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 to themselves, their crew, their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part.
- (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 a patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- (g) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.
- (h) 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The Café will be open from 8am for breakfast. Hot and cold food will be available throughout the day. A complimentary glass of mulled wine and mince pie will be served in the café after sailing finishes. The top bar will be open after sailing finishes until after the conclusion of the prize giving.

Campers and camper vans are welcome and pre booking of a Campervan site from the Club Secretariat (office@grafham.org / 01480 810478) is essential. There is a charge of £15 per night for Campervans, £10 per night for Camping (please note – NO caravans please – our lease does not allow them).

Directions to Grafham Water Sailing Club, details of local accommodation, and other information are available on the Club website - <http://www.grafham.org>.

Entrants and authorised guests are temporary members of Grafham Water Sailing Club during the period of the event and shall comply with Club Rules and Bylaws. Failure to observe these may result in exclusion from the club premises. Entrants may sail at Grafham Water on Saturday 28th December without additional charge

MOVEMENT OF BOATS TO GRAFHAM WATER

In order to prevent the spread of non-native species there is a requirement to ensure that boats are clean before they visit the site using the principle of Check Clean Dry <http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry/index.cfm>. This includes:

CHECK your equipment and clothing for live organisms – particularly in areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

CLEAN and wash equipment, footwear and clothing thoroughly. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them.

DRY all equipment and clothing – some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

Anglian Water ask for boats and equipment, arriving at Grafham Water that are from the following locations, to have been clean and dry for at least two days prior to arrival – if not, then they must not be launched at the Club: Wraysbury Reservoir and Wraysbury River near to Staines

The Queen Mother Reservoir

Queen Elizabeth II/Bessborough Reservoirs

Queen Mary Reservoir

Warwick East Reservoir, Warwick West Reservoir and William Girling Reservoir all located in the Lee Valley

MOVEMENT OF BOATS FROM GRAFHAM WATER

A non-native species of fresh water shrimp (commonly known as killer shrimps) have been found in Grafham Water and certain restrictions on boat movement have been imposed by AW, DEFRA or other bodies to prevent the spread of these to other locations in the UK. These requirements are prominently displayed on the club premises and will include washing boats and equipment before removal from the Club premises.

Failure to comply with the requirements of these restrictions may lead to expulsion from the event.

ANNEX – LIST OF ELIGIBLE BOATS

FLEET COMPOSITIONS ARE PROVISIONAL, FINAL SPLIT WILL BE AVAILABLE AT REGISTRATION

FAST FLEET

		Fast Multihull 684 - 812	
Foilers		Asymmetric Multihulls 597 - 960	
Int Moth	500	Nacra F20 Carbon	597
RS600FF	500	Tornado Spi	644
Nacra F20 Carbon FCS	566	Tornado 24m2 Spi	664
Waszp	570	Formula 18	673
Nacra 17 Olympic Foiler	641	Nacra 17 Olympic Non Foiler	675
A Class Foiler	656	A Class Classic	684
Cherub Foiling	800	Prindle 19 Spi	685
		Hurricane 5.9 SX	695
Fast Asymmetric Monohulls 697-1043 and 505s		Formula 16 D/H	700
49er	697	Tornado Classic	703
Int 14	707	Nacra 16 Spi D/H	707
49er FX	720	Nacra F17 Sloop Spi D/H	709
49er (Old rig)	740	Prindle 18.2	710
RS900	750	Formula 16 S/H	711
RS800	799	Hurricane 5.9	713
29er XX	830	Spitfire	719
Int Canoe - Asym	840	Nacra Inter 17 Sloop Spi D/H	721
VX One	840	Nacra 16 Solo Spi	725
RS700	845	Nacra F17 Solo Spi	729
Laser 5000	846	Spitfire Spi S/H	742
Musto Skiff	846	Nacra 15 Spi D/H	744
Boss	847	Hurricane 500	750
Norfolk Punt	857	Shadow X	750
B14	860	Nacra Inter 17 Solo Spi	751
12ft Skiff	868	Shadow	757
505	878	Nacra 500 Sport Spi D/H	758
Cherub	890	SL16	774
59er	905	Hobie 16Spi	777
29er	907	Dart 18 Sloop S/H	778
K6	913	Prindle 18	779
4000	917	Nacra 500 Solo Spi	791
Vortex	917	Dart 18 Spi D/H	793
ISO	922	Nacra 500 Sloop D/H	794
AltO	926	Unicorn	797
Spice	930	Nacra Inter 17 Solo	799
RS400	953	Shearwater	806
X1	955	Hobie 16	812
RS500	963	Topaz 16CX	852
Cherub 97	970	Dart 16 Spi D/H	859
D-One	971	RS Cat 16 Race Spi D/H	869
RS100 10.2	981	RS Cat 16 XL Spi D/H	869
X0	985	Topaz 14Xtreme S/H	870
RS100 8.4	1004	Topaz 14Xtreme D/H	875
3000	1007	Topaz 16S Spi	892
MX Ray	1020	Topaz 14CX Spi	936
K2	1022	Topaz 12	949
Buzz	1030	Hobie Dragoon Spi	956
Sport 16	1040	Weta	960
Comet Race	1043		

MEDIUM FLEET

Medium Non Asymmetric Monohulls 879-1073			Slow Asymmetric Monohulls 1044-1071	
except 505s				
Flying Dutchman	879		RS200	1049
Int Canoe	888		Sport 14	1055
National 18	906		Comet Trio Mk11	1063
RS600	916		Comet Versa	1065
Osprey	936		Laser Vago XD	1071
Fireball	944			
Javelin	944			
Hornet	957			
National 18C	957			
Vortex (Non-Asym)	964			
Merlin Rocket	968			
Contender	969			
470	973			
Int Moth (No foils)	980			
RS300	989			
Icon	990			
MRX	993			
Halo	995			
Sailhorse	1001			
Phantom	1002			
Int Lightning	1003			
Punk	1010			
Tasar	1020			
Flying 15	1020			
RS Aero 9	1024			
Scorpion	1025			
12 sqm Sharpie	1026		Medium Non Asymmetric Multihulls 813-1039	
Blaze	1031		Hobie 17	813
Laser EPS	1033		Dart 18	824
Hadron H2	1034		DX Catamaran	831
Flying 15 Silver	1036		Nacra 500 Solo	835
Kestrel	1038		Dart 18 S/H	836
Marauder	1042		Topaz 16C	891
D-Zero	1043		Sprint 15 Sport	894
Finn	1051		Prindle 15	896
Rooster 8.1	1051		Catapult	903
Fire	1052		Dart 16 Sloop D/H	905
Albacore	1055		RS Cat 16 S Sloop D/H	911
National 12	1056		Sprint 15 D/H	921
Hadron H1	1059		Sprint 15	926
Farr 3.7	1063		RS Cat 16 Club S/H	928
K1	1065		Topaz 16S	940
D-Zero Blue	1070		Topaz 14C	976
Megabyte	1073		Hobie Dragoon	1001
RS Aero 7	1073			
Lark	1073			

SLOW FLEET

Slow Non Asymmetric Monohulls 1074-1210		Slow Asymmetric Monohulls 1072-1190	
Seafly	1074	Laser Vago XD S/H	1074
Supernova	1077	Topaz Argo	1075
Laser II	1085	Topaz Omega	1075
420	1086	Topaz Xenon	1079
Solution	1089	Laser 3000	1085
Redwing	1094	405	1089
Snipe	1099	RS Venture	1092
Flash	1101	RS Vareo	1093
Wayfarer	1102	Laser Bahia	1095
Laser	1108	Comet Trio	1097
OK	1115	2000	1100
Leader	1115	Laser Stratos	1100
Graduate	1129	RS Quest	1130
GP14	1130	RS Vision	1130
RS Aero 5	1136	Topaz Magno	1175
Byte CII	1138	Topaz Vibe	1185
Vaurien	1140	Topaz Duo	1190
Yeoman	1140		
Europe	1141		
Laser Radial	1150		
Enterprise	1151		
Solo	1152		
British Moth	1155		
Streaker	1155		
Lightning 368	1167		
Byte CI	1177		
Comet Duo	1178		
Byte	1190		
Firefly	1190		
Wanderer	1190		
Comet Mino	1193		
Pacer	1193		
Miracle	1194		
Bosun	1198		
YW Dayboat	1200	Slow Non Asymmetric Multihulls 1040-1162	
Comet	1207	Dart 12 S/H	1144
Laser 4.7	1210	Challenger	1162