

Notice of Race - Amended 05/11/21

40th Grafham Grand Prix - 5th event of the Selden SailJuice Winter Series

Sunday 2nd January 2022

Sponsored by Sailing Chandlery

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

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024*.
- 1.2. Competitors should note that Grafham Water Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules.

COVID STATEMENT - All sailors, parents and authorised guests must comply with both Government rules and GWSC COVID-19 Operating Procedures available at: <https://www.grafham.org/covid-19-operating-procedures.html> .

Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.

Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

- 1.3. 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 cafe 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.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions with final fleet compositions will be published on the official notice board (see 3.1 below) by 14:00 on Friday 31st December 2021.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://www.grafham.org/online-noticeboard.html> .
- 3.2. 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 of the with Great Lakes Event Handicaps as listed in APPENDIX 2. The intended handicap ranges are:

- 4.1.1. Asymmetric Monohulls ratings 697 - 1190
- 4.1.2. Multihulls/Catamarans ratings 597 – 1162
- 4.1.3. Non Asymmetric Monohulls ratings 879 – 1210
- 4.1.4. Foiling Classes ratings 550 – 800

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.

We cannot accept entries from Sailboards.

- 4.2. Entry is by on-line at www.sailjuiceseries.com up to 20:00 on Wednesday 29th December 2021.
- 4.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4. **Entry is limited to the first 200 boats received and paid**
- 4.5. It is not the intention to permit late entries after the final closing time of 20:00 Wednesday 29th December 2021.
- 4.6. 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 (email office@grafham.org) by 0930 on Sunday 2nd January 2022.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees for boats sailed by visitors will be £29 for single hander boats and £35 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 £12 for single hander boats and £17 for double hander boats
- 5.3. All entry fees include the provision of trackers and a pasta dish after sailing.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

Class rules apply.

7. ADVERTISING

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

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES – Does not apply

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. Registration
Will be done on arrival at the Club Gate from 08.00 by Meet and Greet personnel.
- 9.2. Briefing
There will be no formal, live briefings, any relevant notices will be posted on the GWSC on-line Notice Board (see 3.1 above)
- 9.3. Classes and starts
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.

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

9.4. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10:55.

9.5. Three back-to-back races are scheduled.

9.6. No warning signal will be made after 14:30.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1. Each boat may be required to produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1. RRS40.1 shall apply at all times when afloat.

11.2. GWSC Local Rule - Wet or dry suits must be worn whilst afloat.

12. VENUE

12.1. A site plan showing camping, parking and slipways is shown in Appendix 1.

13. COURSES

13.1. Three separate race tracks are planned and the courses to be sailed will be:

Fast Fleet – Windward/Leeward

Medium- Trapezoid

Slow Fleet - Trapezoid

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1. Rule 44.1 is changed for all multihulls and monohulls in the Fast Fleet so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. Rule 44.1 is not changed for boats in the Medium and Slow fleets where the Two Turns penalty applies to all classes.

15. SCORING

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

15.2. (a) When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores.

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

15.3. RRS 90.3e shall apply.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1. Support vessels shall not be allowed.

17. 18. 19. 20 DO NOT APPLY

21. DATA PROTECTION

21.1. The GWSC data protection policy can be found at <https://www.grafham.org/wp-content/uploads/pdfs/Club%20Documents/Privacy-Notice.pdf>

21.2. By competing in this event, competitors grant to the organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any non-identifiable motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event and consent to these being published in class, club, sponsor and other publications and / or the class, club, sponsor or other websites.

22. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 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.

23. INSURANCE

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

24. PRIZES

- 24.1. Prizes will be given to each of the fleet starts according to entry numbers. There will also be Spot Prizes.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1. COVID-19 INFORMATION

- 25.1.1. It is currently envisaged that changing rooms and showers will have limited availability using a token system but this may change and competitors should therefore check the GWSC COVID-19 Operating Procedures for the up to date situation
- 25.1.2. COVID-19 guidelines in operation at the event may restrict the support boat provision; consequently the upper wind limit for racing may be reduced.
- 25.1.3. On Friday 31st December at 12:00 a final decision will be made on whether the event can proceed based on the forecast wind strength and any change in COVID-19 restrictions. In the event of any cancellation a notice will be posted on the GWSC website by 14:00 and full refunds of the entry fees will be given.

25.2. GENERAL

Camping will not be permitted prior to the event.

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.

25.3. 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

25.4. 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.

APPENDIX 1 – SITE PLAN



Grafham Water Sailing Club, Perry, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE28 0BU.
Tel: 01480 810478 Email: office@grafham.org Website: www.grafham.org



APPENDIX 2 – Schedule of eligible boats - FLEET COMPOSITIONS ARE PROVISIONAL

FAST FLEET

			Fast Multihull 684 - 819
Foilers			Asymmetric Multihulls 597 - 961
Int Moth	550		Nacra F20 Carbon
RS600FF	550		Tornado Spi
Nacra F20 Carbon FCS	571		Formula 18
Waszp	620		Tornado 24m2 Spi
Nacra 17 Olympic Foiler	645		Nacra 17 Olympic Non Foiler
A Class Foiler	641		A Class Classic
Cherub Foiling	800		Prindle 19 Spi
			Hurricane 5.9 SX
Fast Asymmetric Monohulls 697-1043 and 505s			Nacra 16 Spi D/H curved foils
49er	697		Formula 16 D/H
Int 14	707		Tornado Classic
49er FX	720		Nacra 16 Solo Spi curved foils
49er (Old rig)	740		Nacra 16 Spi D/H straight Foils
RS900	750		Nacra F17 Sloop Spi D/H
RS800	799		Formula 16 S/H
29er XX	830		Prindle 18.2
Int Canoe - Asym	840		Hurricane 5.9
VX One	840		Spitfire
RS700	845		Nacra Inter 17 Sloop Spi D/H
Laser 5000	846		Nacra 16 Solo Spi Straight Foils
Musto Skiff	849		Nacra F17 Solo Spi
Boss	847		Spitfire Spi S/H
Norfolk Punt	844		Nacra 15 Spi D/H
B14	860		Hurricane 500
12ft Skiff	868		Shadow X
505	883		Nacra Inter 17 Solo Spi
Cherub	890		Shadow
59er	905		Nacra 500 Sport Spi D/H
29er	903		SL16
K6	913		Hobie 16Spi
4000	917		Dart 18 Sloop S/H
Vortex	917		Prindle 18
ISO	922		Nacra 500 Solo Spi
AltO	926		Dart 18 Spi D/H
Spice	930		Nacra 500 Sloop D/H
RS400	953		Unicorn
X1	955		Nacra Inter 17 Solo
RS500	963		Shearwater
Cherub 97	970		Hobie 16
D-One	971		Dart 16 Spi D/H
RS100 10.2	981		Topaz 16CX
X0	985		RS Cat 16 Race Spi D/H
RS100 8.4	1004		RS Cat 16 XL Spi D/H
3000	1007		Topaz 14Xtreme S/H
MX Ray	1020		Topaz 14Xtreme D/H
K2	1022		Topaz 16S Spi
Buzz	1030		Topaz 14CX Spi
Sport 16	1040		Topaz 12
Comet Race	1043		Weta
			Hobie Dragoon Spi

MEDIUM FLEET

Medium Non Asymmetric Monohulls 879-1073		Slow Asymmetric Monohulls 1046-1074	
except 505s			
Flying Dutchman	879	RS200	1046
Int Canoe	884	Sport 14	1055
National 18	906	Comet Trio Mk11	1059
RS600	920	Comet Versa	1065
Osprey	936	Laser Vago XD	1074
Javelin	944		
Fireball	952		
Hornet	955		
National 18C	957		
Vortex (Non-Asym)	964		
Contender	969		
470	973		
Merlin Rocket	980		
Int Moth (No foils)	980		
RS300	989		
Icon	990		
MRX	993		
Halo	995		
Sailhorse	1001		
Int Lightning	1003		
Phantom	1004		
Punk	1010		
Flying 15	1021		
Tasar	1022		
RS Aero 9	1024		
12 sqm Sharpie	1026		
Scorpion	1030	Medium Non Asymmetric Multihulls 820-1010	
Blaze	1033	Hobie 17	820
Laser EPS	1033	Dart 18	832
Hadron H2	1034	DX Catamaran	839
Flying 15 Silver	1036	Nacra 500 Solo	843
Kestrel	1038	Dart 18 S/H	843
Marauder	1042	Sprint 15 Sport	894
D-Zero	1043	Catapult	898
Rooster 8.1	1045	Topaz 16C	899
RSNeo	1047	Prindle 15	904
Finn	1049	Dart 16 Sloop D/H	905
Fire	1052	RS Cat 16 S Sloop D/H	910
Albacore	1053	Sprint 15 D/H	921
Hadron H1	1059	Sprint 15	926
Farr 3.7	1063	RS Cat 16 Club S/H	937
National 12	1064	Topaz 16S	948
K1	1064	Topaz 14C	984
D-Zero Blue	1070	Hobie Dragoon	1010
Seafly	1071		
RS Aero 7	1073		
Lark	1073		

SLOW FLEET

Slow Non Asymmetric Monohulls 1074-1210		Slow Asymmetric Monohulls 1074-1190	
		Laser Vago XD S/H	1074
Supernova	1077	Topaz Argo	1075
420	1083	Topaz Omega	1075
Laser II	1085	Topaz Xenon	1079
Solution	1092	Laser 3000	1085
Redwing	1094	405	1089
Flash	1101	2000	1090
Wayfarer	1102	RS Venture	1092
Snipe	1108	RS Vareo	1093
Laser / ILCA7	1108	Laser Bahia	1095
OK	1115	Laser Stratos	1103
Leader	1115	Comet Trio	1104
GP14	1130	RS Quest	1130
Graduate	1132	RS Vision	1130
Byte CII	1135	Topaz Magno	1175
RS Aero 5	1136	Topaz Vibe	1185
Vaurien	1140	Topaz Duo	1190
Yeoman	1140		
Europe	1141		
Laser Radial / ILCA6	1147		
Solo	1152		
Enterprise	1153		
British Moth	1155		
Streaker	1155		
Lightning 368	1162		
Megabyte	1175		
Comet Duo	1178		
Devon Yawl	1184		
Byte	1190		
Firefly	1190		
Wanderer	1193		
Comet Mino	1193		
Pacer	1193		
Miracle	1194		
Bosun	1198	Slow Non Asymmetric Multihulls 1040-1162	
YW Dayboat	1200	Dart 12 S/H	1144
Laser 4.7 / ILCA4	1208	Challenger	1162
Comet	1210		