

Notice of Race - **Amended 11/12/21**

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 OBU.
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		Nacra F20 Carbon	
RS600FF		Tornado Spi	
Nacra F20 Carbon FCS		Formula 18	
Waszp		Tornado 24m2 Spi	
Nacra 17 Olympic Foiler		Nacra 17 Olympic Non Foiler	
A Class Foiler		A Class Classic	
Cherub Foiling		Prindle 19 Spi	
		Hurricane 5.9 SX	
Fast Monohulls 697-1043 and 505		Nacra 16 Spi D/H curved foils	
49er		Formula 16 D/H	
Int 14		Tornado Classic	
49er FX		Nacra 16 Solo Spi curved foils	
49er (Old rig)		Nacra 16 Spi D/H Staright Foils	
RS900		Nacra F17 Sloop Spi D/H	
RS800		Formula 16 S/H	
29er XX		Prindle 18.2	
Int Canoe - Asym		Hurricane 5.9	
VX One		Spitfire	
RS700		Nacra Inter 17 Sloop Spi D/H	
Laser 5000		Nacra 16 Solo Spi Straight Foils	
Musto Skiff		Nacra F17 Solo Spi	
Boss		Spitfire Spi S/H	
Norfolk Punt		Nacra 15 Spi D/H	
B14		Hurricane 500	
12ft Skiff		Shadow X	
505		Nacra Inter 17 Solo Spi	
Cherub		Shadow	
59er		Nacra 500 Sport Spi D/H	
29er		SL16	
K6		Hobie 16Spi	
4000		Dart 18 Sloop S/H	
Vortex		Prindle 18	
ISO		Nacra 500 Solo Spi	
AltO		Dart 18 Spi D/H	
Spice		Nacra 500 Sloop D/H	
RS400		Unicorn	
X1		Nacra Inter 17 Solo	
RS500		Shearwater	
Cherub 97		Hobie 16	
D-One		Dart 16 Spi D/H	
RS100 10.2		Topaz 16CX	
X0		RS Cat 16 Race Spi D/H	
RS100 8.4		RS Cat 16 XL Spi D/H	
3000		Topaz 14Xtreme S/H	
MX Ray		Topaz 14Xtreme D/H	
K2		Topaz 16S Spi	
Buzz		Topaz 14CX Spi	
Sport 16		Topaz 12	
Comet Race		Weta	
		Hobie Dragoon Spi	

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MEDIUM FLEET

Medium Monohulls 879-1073			Medium Non Asymmetric	
			Multihulls 820 - 1010	
Flying Dutchman			Hobie 17	
Int Canoe			Dart 18	
National 18			DX Catamaran	
RS600			Nacra 500 Solo	
Osprey			Dart 18 S/H	
Javelin			Prindle 15 Spi	
Fireball			Sprint 15 Sport	
Hornet			Catapult	
National 18C			Topaz 16C	
Vortex (Non-Asym)			Prindle 15	
Contender			Dart 16 Sloop D/H	
470			RS Cat 16 S Sloop D/H	
Merlin Rocket			Sprint 15 D/H	
Int Moth (No foils)			Sprint 15	
RS300			RS Cat 16 Club S/H	
Icon			Topaz 16S	
MRX			Topaz 14C	
Halo			Hobie Dragoon	
Sailhorse				
Int Lightning				
Phantom				
Punk				
Flying 15				
Tasar				
RS Aero 9				
12 sqm Sharpie				
Scorpion				
Blaze				
Laser EPS				
Hadron H2				
Flying 15 Silver				
Kestrel				
Marauder				
D-Zero				
Rooster 8.1				
RS200				
Finn				
Fire				
Albacore				
Sport 14				
Comet Trio Mk11				
Hadron H1				
Farr 3.7				
National 12				
K1				
Comet Versa				
D-Zero Blue				
RS Aero 7				
Lark				

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SLOW FLEET

Slow Non Asymmetric Monohulls 1071-1210			Slow Asymmetric Monohulls 1074-1190	
Seafly			Laser Vago XD	
Megabyte			Laser Vago XD S/H	
Supernova			Topaz Argo	
420			Topaz Omega	
Laser II			Topaz Xenon	
Solution			Laser 3000	
Redwing			405	
Flash			2000	
Wayfarer			RS Venture	
Snipe			RS Vario	
Laser/ILCA7			Laser Bahia	
OK			Laser Stratos	
Leader			Comet Trio	
GP14			RS Quest	
Graduate			RS Vision	
Byte CII			Comet Versa	
RS Aero 5			Topaz Magno	
Vaurien			Topaz Vibe	
Yeoman			Topaz Duo	
Europe				
Laser Radial/ILCA6				
RS Neo				
Solo				
Enterprise				
British Moth				
Streaker				
Lightning 368				
Comet Duo				
Devon Yawl				
Byte				
Firefly				
Wanderer				
Comet Mino				
Pacer				
Miracle			Slow Non Asymmetric Multihulls 1040-1162	
Bosun			Dart 12 S/H	
YW Dayboat			Challenger	
Laser 4.7/ILCA4				
Comet				