

Notice of Race: Catapult Open Meeting

An Open Meeting for the Catapult class is scheduled for 9th and 10th April 2022 and will be organised by Carsington Sailing Club on their water at Carsington, ASHBOURNE, Derbyshire, DE6 1SU, (tel.01629 540609).

The event is governed by the rules defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Rules of Carsington Sailing Club Ltd, and the requirements of Severn Trent Water Plc.

Registration

An entry fee of £30 is required for the meeting. Preferably competitors should book on line via the club website.

Programme of Events

The racing will be run in conjunction with club racing with the Catapult fleet having a separate fleet start and their start will be the last in the sequence. Club racing is run with a 4 minute warning signal and 2 minute preparatory signal for each fleet with a 2 minute gap between fleets.

- o A briefing will be held at 1200hrs on Saturday 9th April on the club terrace.
- Saturday 9th April Afternoon (Catapult Races 1&2) :-
 - The club Cruiser race will start at 1315 hrs, with the Catapult fleet at 1317 hrs. The second race will be held back to back.
- Sunday 10th April :-
 - Morning (Catapult Races 3&4) –The start sequence will be club medium handicap fleet, club asymmetric fleet, club slow handicap fleet, Catapults, at 2 minute intervals. First club fleet start 1030 hrs, Catapults 1036 hrs. Second race back to back.
 - Afternoon (Catapult Race 5) First club fleet start 1330 hrs. Catapults 1336 hrs.

Courses

Courses will be around the club buoys and will be decided by the Race Officer and displayed on the Committee Boat.

Finishing Time Limit

Boats must finish within 15 minutes after the finish time of their class leading boat for their race to be valid.

Number of Races to Count / Discards.

The anticipated number of races in the meeting is 5.

- 5 races completed 4 will count with 1 discard,
- Less than 5 races completed all will count.

Penalty System

The Advisory/Arbitration Process will be available as an alternative to full Protest.

Prize Giving.

The prize giving follow as soon as possible after the completion of the last race sailed.

Risk Statement

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 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 other 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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;
- g) The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damaged or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Insurance

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

Boat decontamination

All boats arriving at Carsington Sailing Club (Ashbourne) must be washed ensuring decontamination prior to arriving on site at Carsington sailing Club.

Contact for the event: Stuart Ede (Catapult Class Association) 07575 059339

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