

# Hunter Formula 1 & Soling National Championships

At Rutland Sailing Club

June 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19th June 2016

## **RSC Club Officers**

Commodore: John Fothergill.  
Vice Commodore: David Wilkins.

**Class Representatives.**  
**Nick Bett Formula 1 Class**  
**Paul Tully Soling Class**

Race Officer : Ian Sumner.



## General Information

### Car & Trailer Parking

Free Parking is situated on the hard standing area adjacent to the road within Rutland Sailing Club.

Trailer Parking is available in the same area next to the road towards West Creek.

### Berthing

Berthing for the duration of the Regatta will be available on Rutland Sailing Club swinging moorings in West Creek.

Rutland Cruiser Ferry will take sailors to their boats before racing and stops running at 17:00 hrs

### Club Office

In Rutland Sailing Club and open Thursday from 09.00 hrs until 18.00 hrs. The results will be processed and displayed on the Club Notice Board upstairs in the wet bar.

## Social Events

Friday 17th June

Evening – Pimm’s Party after sailing in the Clubhouse

Saturday 18th June

Fleet Dinners and Social Time in the Clubhouse. Approximate costs will be £ 20 per person for 3 courses and £15 for 2 courses

Sunday 19th June

Prize giving in Clubhouse after racing at approx 3.30pm.

## THE FORMULA ONE & SOLING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### Organising Authority

The organising authority is the Rutland Sailing Club in conjunction with the Formula One Class Association and Soling Class Association.

### 1 RULES

This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016.

This regatta is designated Category C.

### 2 ENTRIES

#### 2.1 Declarations

2.1.1 **Signing on** Competitors must enter by completing the appropriate entry form.

2.1.2 **Signing off** Signing off will only be necessary if you have retired either during the race or after finishing. A sheet for retirements will be on the Official Notice Board and must be signed within 45 minutes of the last boat finishing in each race or within 45 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race if back-to-back races have been sailed.

#### 2.2 Eligibility

2.2.1 At least 1 member of crew shall be a member of the relevant Association.

2.2.2 **Insurance** - Boats must be insured against Third Party Liability with cover for racing for a minimum of £2,000,000.

2.2.3 **Buoyancy** - Personal Buoyancy or **automatically inflating lifejackets** shall be worn by all competitors while afloat. This changes RRS 40.

2.2.4 **Measurement** There will be no formal measurement checks, but random checks may be carried out at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 2.3 **Conditions**

The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither these Sailing Instructions nor any inspection of the boat, limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

## 3 **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notice to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, which is located in the Wet Bar in the Clubhouse.

## 4 **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least one hour before the advertised start time of the race or races concerned. A Change to the Sailing Instructions will be indicated by displaying Code flag L on the official flag pole.

## 5 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Flag Pole at the West end of the Clubhouse Balcony  
5.2 Flag AP with 2 sound signals (1 sound signal when lowered) means "the race is postponed". The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered. This alters the Race Signals within the RRS.

## 6 **SCHEDULE OF RACES** - is as follows:

### **Friday 17th June**

|          |                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| Briefing | 10.00                            |
| Race 1   | 11.00                            |
| Race 2   | 14.00                            |
| Race 3   | As soon as possible after Race 2 |

**NOTE: THE SOLINGS WILL START FIRST!**

### **Saturday 18th June**

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| Race 4 | 10.30                            |
| Race 5 | As soon as possible after Race 4 |
| Race 6 | As soon as possible after Race 5 |

### **Sunday 19th June**

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| Race 7 | 10.00                            |
| Race 8 | As soon as possible after Race 7 |

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is

|          |       |
|----------|-------|
| Friday   | 10.55 |
| Saturday | 10.25 |
| Sunday   | 09.55 |

When Back-to-Back races are to be sailed Flag W will be flown to indicate that competitors are requested to stay out on the water.

## 7 **CLASS FLAGS**

The F1 Class Flag will be Numeral Pennant 1  
The Soling Class Flag will be Omega.

## 8 **RACING AREA**

The racing area will be indicated on the chart on the Official Notice Board.

## 9 **THE COURSE**

See Appendix. The course type will be shown on a board, with the number of laps, on the committee boat.

## 10 **COURSE MARKS**

The course marks will be described at the briefing  
The start and finish line marks will be as described below.

## 11 **THE START**

11.1 Races will be started by using **Rule 26**.

11.2 **Starting line:** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE flag on the Committee Boat at the Starboard end of the line and an outer distance Dan Buoy displaying an ORANGE flag at the Port end of the line.

11.3 A boat shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal.

## 12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE finishing flag on the Committee Boat and a Dan Buoy with an ORANGE Flag OR a rounding mark of the Course

13 **SCORING** - Appendices, Section I - Appendix "A" Low Point system will apply.

13.1 The number of races scheduled is 8.

2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.2 When less than 4 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.

When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.3 Series Ties - Ties will be broken in accordance with A8.1 & A8. 2.

## 14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 The limit for each Race will be 2 hours.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat, will be scored Did Not Finish.

*This changes RRS 35.*

## 15 PROTESTS

15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Office and delivered within 1 hour after the time of the last boat finishing that race, or races if Back to Back racing has taken place.

15.2 The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. *This changes RRS 61.3 & 62.2.*

## 16 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without the prior written approval of the race committee.

Forms for this purpose are available in the race office. NB changes in crew will only be allowed if a valid reason is given. Change in weather conditions will not be deemed a valid reason.

## 17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.

All communication will be on Channel 37 (M)

## 18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 3 finishers, dependant on entries.

The F1 winner will receive the Formula One trophy to hold for one year.

## 19 LOCAL VARIATIONS

19.1 Hazards

Please note the Pleasure Cruiser RUTLAND BELLE must be given plenty of room to manoeuvre.

**Yachts are required to keep well clear of this vessel.**

## 20 COMMITTEE BOAT RADIO COMMUNICATION

Race Committee Boat may transmit on VHF Channel 37 or one identified on the notice board with the call sign "Race Committee Boat". Yachts should communicate with "The Race Committee Boat" on Channel 37 (or other designated) to signal retirement or in an Emergency.