



HUNTER FORMULA ONE  
& SOLING  
2016 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rutland Sailing Club

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

**RSC Club Officers**

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Hunter Formula One (F1) and The Soling 2016 Soling National Championships will be held in conjunction. Both fleets will have the same race officer and committee boat but separate start times.

**Venue**

Rutland Sailing Club, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Oakham, Rutland, United Kingdom, LE15 8HJ, Tel: 01780 720292

**Car & Trailer Parking**

Free parking is situated in the designated area on the hard standing area adjacent to the road within Rutland Sailing Club (RSC) grounds.

**Berthing**

Berthing for Formula 1's and Solings for the duration of the Regatta will be available on Rutland Sailing Club swinging moorings. The Rutland Cruiser Ferry or safety ribs will take sailors to their boats before racing and both stop running at 17:00 hrs.

There is a hoist on an A frame available for transferring boats from road trailers to launching trailers and visa versa. There is an RSC tractor available for launching and retrieving boats but the tractor must be driven by a RSC member (or RSC member of staff) who has passed his/her RSC tractor familiarisation training and been certified.

### **Club Office**

The Rutland Sailing Club office is 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. In general the RSC office is open Thursday to Monday and closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

### **Accommodation**

There is good quality accommodation available within Rutland Sailing Club. To enquire and to book this accommodation please contact the RSC office Tel: 01780 720292 (Payment must be made when booking and can be made by credit/debit cards over the phone when booking accommodation) RSC charges are approximately £15 per person per night . For other accommodation options in the area refer to the internet e.g.

<http://www.discover-rutland.co.uk/places-to-stay>.

There are many local campsites including Rutland Water Campsite (<http://www.rutlandwatercampsite.co.uk>) opposite RSC gates/ Please refer to the internet for websites.

### **Meals**

There is a restaurant/wet bar within the RSC clubhouse and also a Lounge and bar. Meals and beverages will be available for purchase/consumption Thursday to Sunday.

### **Social Events**

#### **Friday 17th June**

Evening – Pimm’s Reception after sailing in the Clubhouse (no individual charge)

#### **Saturday 18th June**

Soling and F1 Fleet Dinner and Social Time in the Clubhouse. A three course meal will cost approximately £ 20 per person, the two course meal option will cost approximately £15.

Menus/order forms can be obtained from your fleet Liaison Officer (see email addresses above). There will be at least one vegetarian option on the menu. Meals should be chosen and orders for meals placed and paid for with the regatta entry form.

#### **Sunday 19th June**

Prize giving in Clubhouse after racing at 14.30 to 15:00.

### **Organising Authority**

The organising authority is the Rutland Sailing Club, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Rutland, LE15 8HJ (Tel: 01780 720292), in conjunction with the Formula One Class Association and the British Soling Association.

## 1 RULES

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

## 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 2.2 Advertising shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20 and class rules

### 3.1 Declarations

- 3.1.1 **Signing On** Competitors must enter by completing and submitting the appropriate entry form with the appropriate fee
- 3.1.2 **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.

### 3.2 Eligibility

- 3.2.1 At least 1 member of crew shall be a member of the respective UK fleet association (Formula 1 – Formula One Association / Solings - British Soling Association (BSA). This not a requirement for boats crewed by foreign teams.

### 3.3 Fees

- 3.3.1 The entry fees required are as follows:

Formula 1	£75
Soling	£75

- 3.4 **Insurance** - Boats must be insured against Third Party Liability with cover for racing for a minimum of £2,000,000.
- 3.5 **Buoyancy** - Personal Buoyancy or automatically inflating lifejackets shall be worn by all competitors while afloat or while on any RSC pontoons. This is a change to RRS 40.
- 3.6 **Measurement** There will be no formal measurement checks, but random checks may be carried out at the discretion of the Race Committee or relevant Fleet Association (F1A/BSA)
- 3.7 **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.

Invasive Aquatic Species

Owners/people in charge of boats ribs and trailers must obey **CHECK, CLEAN & DRY PROCEDURE FOR VISITING RIBS, DINGHIES & CRUISERS** to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic species as set out in paragraph 22 below.

## 4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

## **5 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.

## **6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole at the West end of the clubhouse balcony
- 6.2 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.

## **7 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

### **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.

## **8 CLASS FLAGS**

The Class Flag for Formula One’s will be Numeral Pennant 1  
The Class Flag for Solings will be the pennant with the Soling Omega symbol

## **9 RACING AREA**

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

## **10 THE COURSE**

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

## **11 COURSE MARKS**

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

## **12 THE START**

- 12.1 Races will be started by using **Rule 26**.

12.2 **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.

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

### 13 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

### 14 SCORING - Appendices, Section I - Appendix "A" Low Point system will apply.

14.1 The number of races scheduled is 8.

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

14.2 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.

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

### 15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 The limit for each Race will be 2 hours.

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

*This changes RRS 35.*

### 16 PROTESTS

16.1 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.

16.2 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.*

### 17 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 compelling/valid reason is given. Change in weather conditions will not be deemed a valid reason.

### 18 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)

### 19 PRIZES

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

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

The Soling winner will receive the BSA Soling trophy to hold for one year

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the respective Class associations.

### 20 LOCAL VARIATIONS

#### 20.1 Hazards

Please note the Pleasure Cruiser RUTLAND BELLE must be given plenty of room to manoeuvre. Yachts should keep well clear of this vessel.

### 21 COMMITTEE BOAT RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

## 22 CHECK, CLEAN & DRY PROCEDURE FOR VISITING RIBS, DINGHIES & CRUISERS



In order to comply with Anglian Waters bye laws for Rutland Water all visiting boats must comply with the CHECK CLEAN & DRY procedure.

**Check** your equipment and clothing for living organisms. Pay particular attention to areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

**Clean** and wash all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly, use hot water where possible. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them. (Cleaning & washing must be done away from Rutland Water when visiting the Club)

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

Visiting boats will be randomly checked on arrival and if found to be in a condition that causes concern, will not be allowed to be brought on site. **All sailors & rib drivers will be expected to sign a statement to confirm that they have checked, cleaned and dried their boats.** This will be normally included with the race entry form or the rib registration form that must be signed before racing starts.

### **Additional Information.**

**Ribs.** Any ribs that have flooding hulls are not allowed to be brought to the club. Engines should be flushed out with hot water before they are brought to Rutland water.

**Launching Trollys /Trailers** should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary to launch & recover the boat

**Cleaning facilities** are available at RSC but they are only for boats that are leaving the site, visiting boats must be cleaned away from the club.