



Harken Rutland RS400, RS200 and RS600 Open

7th and 8th November 2020

Notice of Race

Entry online only at:

<https://www.rs200sailing.org/championships/index.asp?pg=Home&eid=1948>

ends 23:59 Wednesday 4th November

Members of Rutland Sailing Club (only) should register before 23:59 on 4th November at:

RS400: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rs400-rutland-open-tickets-123650129867>

RS200 and RS 600:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rs200-and-rs600-rutland-open-tickets-123654414683>

Further Information at

<https://www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk/event/rs-eos-2/>

or call Rutland Sailing Club on 01780 720 292, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Rutland, LE15 8HJ



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ASSOCIATION

Organised by the
RS Class Association
in conjunction with
Rutland Sailing Club

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2 Competitors shall follow the various restrictions and guidance relating to the COVID-19 pandemic issued by the Government and the RYA as well as instructions given by staff of Rutland Sailing Club and Race Support Persons. Such guidance includes matters relating to social distancing, NHS Test and Trace, club facilities include changing rooms, showers and toilets, and the café. Information is available on the Club website: <https://www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk/covid-19/>
- 1.3 The organizers reserve the right to cancel the event with up to 24 hours' notice in order to comply with prevailing COVID-19 Government and RYA restrictions and guidance.
- 1.4 Competitors shall comply with the Recreational Byelaws of Anglian Waterways. All boats and trailers brought to the regatta shall be free of Aquatic Invasive Species and shall comply with the procedure described in the annex to this Notice of Race.
- 1.5 Competitors should note that the host sailing club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter.
- 1.6 Personal floatation devices shall be worn at all times whilst afloat. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry on Saturday is open to RS 400 boats and on Sunday to RS 200 and RS 600 boats. All boats must comply with the current class rules.
- 2.2 Entries are limited to twenty RS 400 visiting boats, fifteen RS 200 visiting boats, and ten RS 600 visiting boats.
- 2.3 All competitors should enter in advance online using the links below. Registration ends at 23:59 Wednesday 4th November or when the maximum number of entries in that class has been reached. Visiting sailors should enter at: <https://www.rs200sailing.org/championships/index.asp?pg=Home&eid=1948>
Members of Rutland Sailing Club wishing to join the event should register at:
RS400: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rs400-rutland-open-tickets-123650129867>
RS200 and RS 600: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rs200-and-rs600-rutland-open-tickets-123654414683>
- 2.4 At least one competitor on each boat must be a full member of the RS Class Association.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fees for visiting sailors are as follows:
RS 200: £32.50
RS 400: £32.50
RS 600: £24.50

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 RS 400 boats will race on Saturday 7th November and RS 200 and RS 600 boats will race on Sunday 8th November.
- 4.2 Competitor briefings will be held by Zoom at 19:00 on the evening prior to racing: i.e. on Friday 6th for the RS 400 fleet and Saturday 7th for the RS 200 and RS 600 fleets. The Zoom link will be emailed to those who register. After the briefing, a video of the Zoom briefing will be available on the club website for up to 24 hours: <https://www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk/event/rs-eos-2/>
- 4.3 There will be up to four back-to-back races on each day.
- 4.4 The scheduled times of the warning signals for the first race are 10:55 on each day.
- 4.5 The last warning signal on each day will be no later than 14:50
- 4.6 Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will not be formal prize-givings. However, after each day's racing, the café will be open for food and drink where (subject to protests) the results will be displayed and prizes will be available for collection.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available no later than the 31st October at: <https://www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk/event/rs-eos-2/>
Note that printed Sailing Instructions will **NOT** be available at the event.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The regatta will be held at Rutland Sailing Club, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Rutland, LE15 8HJ.
- 6.2 Racing will take place on Rutland Water. The location of the racing area will be shown on the Official Notice Board and on the chart outside the main clubhouse entrance.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.2 The courses to be used will be:
RS 200: Windward – Leeward
RS 400: Windward – Leeward
RS 600: Trapezoid

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 One race is required to have been completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 Discards will be applied as follows:
- When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be available for each fleet up to the square root of the number of entries in that fleet.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 Rule 4 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."
- 12.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 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;
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 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;
 - The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - 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 prepared for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident.

John Fothergill, Principal Race Officer
02 October 2020

FURTHER INFORMATION

Because of the changing nature of the COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines, further information will be emailed to competitors and will be available and updated on the Rutland Sailing Club website:

<http://www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk/>

'WhatsApp' groups will be available to join for all competitors; details will be emailed to competitors before the event.

ANNEX:

CHECK, CLEAN AND DRY PROCEDURE FOR VISITING RIBS, DINGHIES AND CRUISERS

In order to comply with Anglian Waters' byelaws for Rutland Water all visiting boats must comply with the CHECK, CLEAN & DRY procedure BEFORE ARRIVING AT Rutland Sailing Club.

Check	Check your equipment and clothing for living organisms. Pay particular attention to areas that are damp or hard to inspect.
Clean	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	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 may 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 and rib drivers will be expected to sign a statement to confirm that they have Checked, Cleaned and Dried their boats before arriving at RSC.

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 Trollies/Trailers: should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary to launch & recover the boat.