

# Osprey Welsh and Midland Championship Tata Steel Sailing Club (Margam) Eglwys Nunydd Reservoir, Margam, Port Talbot 16th & 17th May 2015



Organising Authority: Tata Steel Sailing Club (Margam) and the Class Association

# **Notice of Race**

### 1. Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the 'Rules' defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the National Class Associations rules, and the Sailing Instructions; these change *RRS* 32, A2, A3 and *Race Signal* AP.
- 1.2 This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to competitors from the Organising Authority. If there is any conflict with a Sailing Instruction, the Sailing Instruction shall prevail.

### 2. Eligibility

2.1 Racing will be open to boats of the Osprey Class and every competitor must be a member of the Osprey Class Association.

### 3. Entries and fees

- Entries should be submitted on the official entry form for this event available from the Club on the day along with the entry fee of £25 as a cheque payable to **Tata Steel Sailing Club**, **Margam**.
- 3.2 There will be a reduction of 50% for junior helm and crews only.

### 4. Schedule

- 4.1 Registration Competitors will register at the Clubhouse on 16th May from 10.00 a.m.
- 4.2 Briefing A competitors' briefing will be held at the Race Control hut at 12.00
- 4.3 Race schedule five races are scheduled:

Race 1 Saturday Starts 13.00. Races 2 & 3 to be announced 1st Race Sunday (race 4) Starts 10.30 Race 5 to be announced

### 5. Measurement

Each boat must have a valid measurement certificate and buoyancy endorsement, and must sail under the original sail number unless otherwise authorized by the race officer.

# 6. Sailing Instructions and Notices to competitors

- 6.1 Sailing instructions will be issued at registration.
- 6.2 Notices to competitors will be posted at the Race Control hut.

# 7. Course and Racing Area

The racing area and course will be announced at the briefing and described on the course board.

# 8. Scoring

- 8.1 The event will be scored using *RRS* Appendix A, except that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score excluded if 4 or more races have been completed.
- 8.2 Two scored races are required for the results to be counted.

## 9. Support boats

Only patrol boats appointed by the race officer may enter the race area or communicate with competitors afloat

### 10. Risk Statement

- 10.1 The responsibility for a boat's decision to race is hers alone (*RRS* Rule 4). 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 and their boat to such inherent risk while 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer 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 practically be provided in the circumstances.
- 10.2 Each sailor under the age of 18 on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2015 will be required to submit a consent form signed by a parent or guardian confirming acceptance of the terms above in para 10.1. The parent or guardian or a nominated alternate will be asked to be in or around the club while their dependent is racing.

### 11. Insurance

Boats are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims of at least £2,000,000.

### 12. Safety

Competitors shall wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.

# 13. Rights to use names and likenesses

Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

### Further information

For further information, contact David Downs davdowns@btinternet.com

Note Unfortunately the Eglwys Nunydd Reservoir has become infected with a type of freshwater shrimp - Dikerogammarus villosus. This is harmless to humans but has an adverse effect on other life in fresh or brackish water. To prevent transfer to other bodies of water, it will be necessary for all boats and equipment to be hosed before leaving the site.