



## **NOTICE OF RACE.**

### **RS400 Scottish Tour, Final Event.**

**Organised by Lochaber Yacht Club, Fort William.**

**On 21st/22nd September 2019.**

#### **1. Rules.**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*

**1.2** Racing Rules 35, A4 and A5 are changed as follows: A time limit of 60 minutes for the first boat to finish will be imposed. If the leading boat finishes in this time, the time will be extended by a further 20 minutes. Boats not finishing within this time limit will be scored in their observed positions on the course or last mark rounding position if recorded.

**1.3** Rules 61.3 and 62.2 are changed as follows: The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the protesting competitor has finished the session in which the incident occurred or 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress.]

**1.4** Rule 40 is changed as follows: Personal Buoyancy must be worn at all times when on the water. Flag Y will not be displayed.

Wetsuits or drysuits must be worn by all competitors.

**1.5** Boats may touch a mark other than the starting or finishing mark. This changes RRS 31.

**1.6** Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by one-turn penalty.

The changes in full appear in the Sailing Instructions. The sailing instructions may change other rules.

#### **2. Eligibility and Entry.**

The regatta is open to all boats of the RS400 class.

#### **3. Fees.**

Fees are:

- Entry fee: £30 (pay on the day). Please give us a shout during the season if you're planning to attend.
- Saturday evening: curry and pudding at LYC: £10 (pay on the day). Ideally please pre- order by email: [lochaber400@gmail.com](mailto:lochaber400@gmail.com)
- Breakfast in clubhouse on Sunday morning: bacon rolls etc, as priced.

#### **4. Schedule.**

The racing will take place on the 21st/22nd September 2019.

Registration: from 11.00 on Saturday. Briefing: 12:00 on Saturday.

Saturday: Warning Signal for race 1: 1255, races 2 & 3 to follow

Sunday: Warning Signal for race 4: 1025, races 5 & 6 to follow.

The expected schedule is that the second and third race each day will be back to back. 4 races will be attempted on Saturday in the event of a poor forecast for Sunday.

#### **5. Sailing Instructions.**

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be displayed in the clubhouse and on-line beforehand.

#### **6. Venue.**

**6.1** The location of Lochaber Yacht Club is- Achintore Road, Fort William, Scotland, PH33 6RN.

Directions to the club can be found on the club website <http://www.lochaber-yacht-club.co.uk/location/>

**6.2** There is boat and trailer parking available at the club.

**6.3** The racing area will be on Loch Linnhe close to/ opposite LYC clubhouse.

**6.4** The club will be open on Friday evening, kitchen facilities are available.

**6.5** The galley will be open on Saturday for tea/ coffee.

**6.6** Curry and pudding on Saturday night (please book in advance).

**6.7** The small LYC bar will be open on Saturday night.

**6.8** The galley will be open on Sunday morning for breakfast.

#### **7. Courses.**

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

## **8. Scoring.**

**8.1** Two (2) races are required to constitute a series

**8.2** When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

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

## **9. Prizes.**

Prizes will be awarded according to the number of entries, but as a minimum to the first 3 places.

## **10. Insurance.**

Each participating boat will be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least £3,000,000.

## **11. Risk Statement.**

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."

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.

## **12. Cancellation.**

If cancellation is required due to weather or any other unforeseen event, then where possible this will be notified via the website at least 24 hours before the start time for the event.

## **13. Further information.**

For further information please visit the club website at [www.lochaber-yacht-club.co.uk](http://www.lochaber-yacht-club.co.uk) or email [lochaber400@gmail.com](mailto:lochaber400@gmail.com) if it's urgent.