



NORTHAMPTON SAILING CLUB

Notice of race for Gul RS400 Grand Prix

At Pitsford Reservoir on - Saturday May 8th and Sunday May 9th 2010

RS ASSOCIATION GENERAL NOTICE OF RACE 2010

1. PROGRAMME

- 1.1 The RS Association will organise events for all RS classes throughout the year in conjunction with various yacht and sailing clubs. Events governed by this notice will be RS Association organised Gul RS Grand Prix Events and Winter, Sprint, Youth and Inland Championships. Additional information specific to each venue, including the time of the briefing and the first warning signal, is given on the RS Association website, www.rs-association.com
- 1.2 The RS Association may organise additional events or cancel scheduled events if it thinks fit. Members of the Class Association will be informed of such changes through the RS Class Newsletter, Fast News or mailings.
- 1.3 The Gul RS Grand Prix and Championships Racing Circuit events will comprise of a maximum of 6 races for a two-day event except the Sprint Championships, and a maximum of 9 races for a three-day event.
- 1.4 No more than 5 races will be sailed in any one day.
- 1.5 At the discretion of the Class Representative and the Official Race Officer the following days' races may be brought forward to allow for any inclement weather forecasts and this will be signalled in accordance with RS SI 3.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 The RS Standard Sailing Instructions set out on the RS Association website, www.rs-association.com will govern each event. In addition an Event Appendix will be available at registration with additions and amendments specific to the event
- 2.3 All classes will be governed by both the Class Rules - all classes, and the specific Class rules of each class.
- 2.4 RYA Racing Charter. Competitors will be required to sail in compliance with the RYA Racing Charter which can be found at the front of the RYA Rule Book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012) or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter
- 2.5 In the event of a conflict between this notice and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

3. CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 In addition, for all events governed by this notice, either the helm or crew shall be a member of the RS Class Association. Competitors in breach of this rule will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes Rule 63.1. The Organizing Authority will be advised as to whether a competitor is or is not a member of the RS Class Association by the designated representative of the Association who shall be the sole arbiter of this rule.

4. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Competitors may enter either before registration by obtaining an entry form by mail or on-line where available, or at registration.
- 4.2 Information regarding the time and place of registration and the entry fee will be available from the RS Office.

5. SCORING

- 5.1 Each event will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the Racing Rules using the Low Point System.

6. COURSES

- 6.1 Standard RS Courses will be sailed. Details will be provided in the Event Appendix A.

7. PRIZES

- 7.1. Details of the prizes for each event will be detailed in the Event Appendix

8. CIRCUIT SCORING

- 8.1 The 2010 RS Eurocup will consist of 1 event for the RS400s, RS600s, RS700s, and RS800s. The 2010 RS Eurocup will consist of 2 events for the RS200s – Riva del Garda plus Stokes Bay SC Grand Prix event.



8.2 For the 2010 RS Gul Grand Prix the number of events that can be discarded are as follows:

RS200s	7 events, including Sprint Championships, 4 to count
RS400s	7 events, including Sprint Championships, 4 to count.
RS500s	5 events, including Sprint Championships, 3 to count
RS600s	5 events, 4 to count
RS700s	5 events, 10 days, 6 days to count
RS800s	6 events, 4 to count
RS Vareo	5 events, 9 days, 6 days to count
RS K6	4 events, 3 to count

8.3. The Gul RS300 Grand Prix will be based on individual races. 50% of the number of races held plus one will count for circuit. We expect there to be 35 races at 6 different locations, with 18 races to count for overall circuit.

9. SAFETY

9.1. All competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times while racing. Neither a wetsuit nor a drysuit constitute adequate personal buoyancy. In addition wetsuits or drysuits shall be worn by all competitors while racing between 1st November and 30th April. This changes Rule 40.

10. LIABILITY

- 10.1 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety and that of their boat, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 10.2 It is for the person in charge of a (See RRS 46) boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 10.3 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.
- 10.4 Nothing done by the organizers can reduce the responsibility of the competitors nor will it make the organizers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organizers encompass everyone helping to run the race event, and include the organizing authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beachmasters.
- 10.5 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.
- 10.6 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of competitors set out in this paragraph.



Event Details

Entries will be accepted on the morning of commencement of the racing from 09.30 hrs.

Entry Fee £25 (cheques made to "NSC" please)

Programme

Saturday May 8th	Briefing @	12.00	Sunday May 8th	Race 5 @	10.00
	Race 1 @	13.00		Race 6 @	To follow back to back
	Race 2	To follow back to back			
	Lunch / Tea				
	Race 3	To Follow			
	Race 4	To follow back to back			

The Event Supplementary sailing instructions will be available at time of entry or registration and on the Northampton Sailing Club Website

For your information

Dinner will be available on Saturday evening at a cost of £7 for two courses.

Galley service available both days including Sunday breakfast.

On site camping is available but must be booked in advance by calling or emailing the club office.

Northampton Sailing Club

See website for further information, how to find the club, etc.

Pitsford Reservoir

www.northamptonsailingclub.org

Brixworth

Northants

NN6 9DG

Tel: 01604 880248

Local Accommodation includes:

The Stags Head Maidwell

www.stagshead-maidwell.co.uk

Email: office@northamptonsailingclub.org

Sedgebrook Hall

www.sedgebrookhallnorthampton.co.uk

Please note no dogs are allowed on site. Thank you