



Notice of Race **Topper Open Meeting** **South West Traveller Series**



Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club

Sunday 1st October 2017

Entry fee: £15.00

The organising authority is Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Ltd.

All enquiries should be addressed to:-

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1. Rules

The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Bristol Water byelaws. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter. **No dogs are allowed on the premises.**

2. Entries

2.1. Entries will be accepted at registration.

2.2. Those competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event shall be required to complete and lodge the parental/guardian's consent form with the Race Committee prior to the start of racing.

3. Schedule of Races

Briefing 10.15

1st Race Start 11.00

Subsequent start times will be given by the race officer. A maximum of 4 races will be sailed.

4. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

5. Scoring System

5.1. The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

5.2. 1 Race will constitute a series.

5.3. When 3 or more races are completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

6. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded dependant on the number of entries after the conclusion of the last race.

7. Social Arrangements

7.1 Hot food and beverages will be available.

7.2 Camper Vans may stay on Saturday night at CVLSC for a £10 fee - **strictly by pre-booking only** – contact Helen Martin as above.

8. Rights to use Names & 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.

9. Risk Statement

9.1. Competitors are entirely responsibly for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or, anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

9.2. It is for the competitors to decide whether their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going afloat, the competitors confirm that the boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them.

9.3. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers 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 organisers encompass everyone helping to run the races and the event, and include Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club, the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

9.4. The provision of rescue boats does not relieve the competitor of his/her responsibilities.

9.5. Each 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.

9.6 Invasive Species:

CVLSC and Bristol Water are committed to the prevention of the spread of invasive species. We are following the Environment Agency and RYA guidelines – 'CHECK CLEAN DRY'

<http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry>

<http://thegreenblue.org.uk/Clubs-and-Training-Centres>

Please make sure your boat has been clean and dry for at least 2 days prior to your arrival. The entry form will require you to self-certify that this is the case. You may be required to check and wash your boat before leaving Chew.