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RS Southern Sprint

Saturday 07 June 2014

(Not a ranking event for the RS Traveller Series)

**Organised by Monkstown Bay Sailing Club**

**Notice of Race**

**1. Organising Authority**

1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is Monkstown Bay Sailing Club, in association with the RS Feva Ireland Association and the Irish RS Dinghy Class Association.

1.2 Changes to this Notice of Race (NoR) will be made no later than May 30th 2014.

**2. Rules and Eligibility**

2.1 The Racing will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016. Competitors’ attention is drawn to the event rules as detailed in these Sailing Instructions. The 2014 RS Racing & RS Feva Class Rules will apply except where changed by this Event Appendix. If there is a conflict between any documents, this Event Appendix will apply.

2.2 Entry is open to all RS Feva, RS200 and RS400 Class dinghies, sailed by helms that are members of their National Authority (e.g. ISA) or an affiliated club.

2.2 Helms may not change crews during the event without prior written permission of the Race Committee.

2.3 Substitution of helm or crew will not be allowed without the written approval of the Race Committee. Any such swaps will affect eligibility for some Prize Categories.

2.4 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age shall submit completed declarations signed by their parent or guardian at event registration.

**3 Entries**

3.1 Early entries must be received before 1st June and after that date a late entry fee will apply. The entry fee is non-refundable. **A BBQ will be provided to all competitors after sailing and is incorporated into the entry.**

**Fees are as follows:**

Per boat € 40

Student sailors (student card/ college ID) € 30

Feva & all juniors under 18 at 1/1/14 € 20

3.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

**4 Registration**

4,1 Registration will take place from 0900 to 1030 on Sat 7th June on the Sand Quay at Monkstown Bay Sailing Club

**5 Schedule**

5.1 It is proposed to sail as many short races as possible, likely limited to 10 races, each race will last approx 15-20 mins.

5.2 Schedule of races:

Regatta Briefing: 10:45

Warning Signal: 11:15

5.3 No warning signal will be made after 1600 on the day, except for postponements & general recalls of a race where the warning signal was made before 1600.

5.4 Racing will either take place within Monkstown Bay or on the Curlane Bank, depending on conditions. Competitors must carry a floating painter of no less than 5m.

**6 Scoring**

6.1 The low points scoring system of RRS Appendix A, will apply.

6.3 There will be 1 discard if 5 or more races are sailed. Double points apply to the last race and the last race is non discardable.

**7. Statement of Liability**

7.1 It is the Competitor’s decision to enter the event or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the event is at their sole, exclusive risk, in every respect. By way of entry to the event, competitors shall indemnify the RS Feva Ireland Association, the Irish RS Dinghy Class Association, Monkstown Bay Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the event. Competitors shall acknowledge that the RS Feva Ireland Association, the Irish RS Dinghy Class Association, Monkstown Bay Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.

**8 Insurance**

8.1 Boats are required to sign a declaration to the effect that they are adequately insured for the duration of the event, including insurance against third party claims of at least €1.3 million or the equivalent in other currencies. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners/competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

**9 Sailing Instructions (SI)**

9.1 The Sailing Instructions for the event will be available at registration and may be placed on the RS Feva Ireland Association, the Irish RS Dinghy Class Association and MBSC( www.mbsc.ie ) websites in advance of the event.

**10 Safety Regulations**

10.1 Lifejackets or other adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times whilst afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

10.2 All boats shall comply with the prescriptions set out in the Class Rules.

10.3 Failure to observe the safety check system in use by the host club may result in disqualification, without a hearing, by the Organising Authority from that days racing.

**11 Private or Team Support Boats**

11.1 Support boats shall register at the Race Office during the registration period. During racing support boats shall remain more than 100 metres from the course area, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

**12 Prizes**

12.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st & 2nd overall will be awarded in all fleets. Third, Silver fleet, First Lady, First Junior and First Under 15 (RS Feva) will be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee and will depend on number of entries.

12.2 The presentation of prizes will take place as soon as possible following racing on Saturday

**13 Accommodation & Social**

13.1 In the interest of saving costs, please contact the OA if you are looking for accommodation as we would hope to be able to assist where possible. [www.thebosun.ie](http://www.thebosun.ie) is the closest guesthouse and is within meters of the club.

13.2 Competitors are granted temporary membership of MBSC for the duration of the Event subject only to the Club rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

**14 Further Information**

For further information please contact;

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