



**Topper CLASS OPEN REGATTA**  
**HILL HEAD SAILING CLUB**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October**  
*The Organising Authority is Hill Head Sailing Club in conjunction with*  
*The International Topper Class Association (GBR)*

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020) or at <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter>

### 2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to 4.2 and 5.3 Topper sailers. You must be a member or affiliate of the International Topper Class Association (GBR) for your result to be included in the Championship series. At registration, competitors will be required to show evidence of membership of their affiliated organisation.
- 2.2 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the entry form at reception in the HHSC Clubhouse, and submitting the entry fee.
- 2.3 **Parent/Guardian Declarations:** All helms under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations either by post or at registration.

### 3 FEES

- 3.1 Entry fee £15:00 per boat.

### 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration: Boats shall register at the Race Office on 28<sup>th</sup> October from 09.00
- 4.2 Competitor Briefing: This will be at 10.15 in the Club House.
- 4.3 Dates of racing, number of races, and scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Races</b>	<b>Time of 1<sup>st</sup> Warning Signal</b>
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	4	11.55

### 5 MEASUREMENT

- 5.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.
- 5.2 Boats may be inspected for class rules compliance prior to or during racing.

### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration.
- 6.2 A draft of the sailing instructions may be available in advance on the Club websites.



## **7 THE COURSES**

7.1 The courses to be sailed will be trapezoid or triangular/leeward. The target time for a race will be 40 minutes for the leading boat.

## **8 PENALTY SYSTEM**

8.1 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

## **9 SUPPORT BOATS**

9.1 Support boats shall register at the Race Office during the registration period.

## **10 PRIZES**

10.1 Prizes will be awarded, depending on entry numbers.

## **11 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES**

11.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing 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.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12.2 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat and its helm is fit to sail in the conditions that they might find. By launching or going to sea competitors confirm their boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organizers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or 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 organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event and include the organizing authority, race committee, race officer, safety officer, patrol boat personnel and beach masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.

## **13 INSURANCE**

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per event or the equivalent.

## **14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

14.1 Contact:

Hill Head Sailing Club

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