

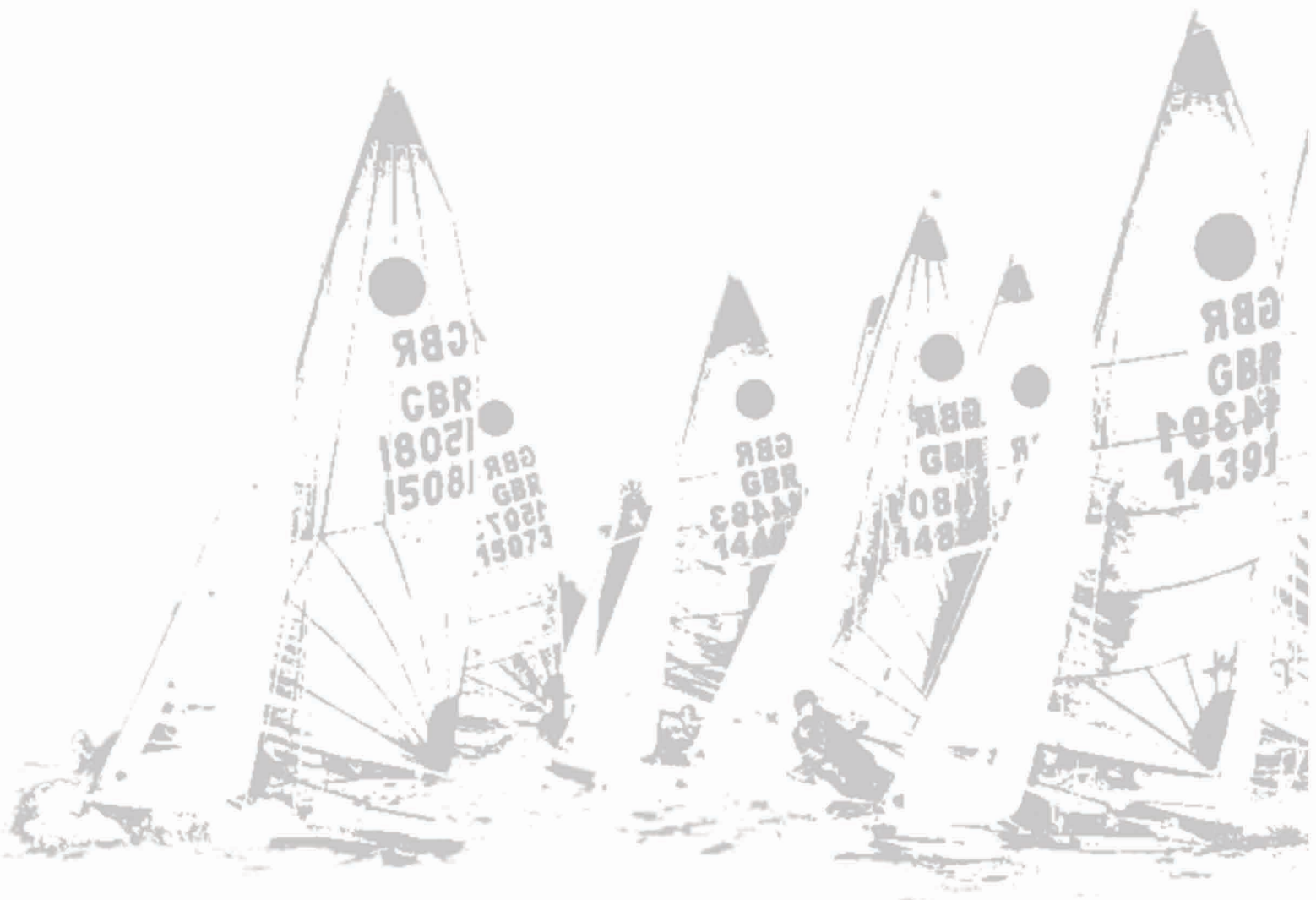


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World Championships

Pwllheli 2015

NOTICE OF RACE



The 48th International Fireball World Championships

Saturday 22nd August to
Friday 28th August 2015

and

The 53rd International Fireball UK National and Open Championships

Monday 17th August to
Friday 21st August 2015

Venue

Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club,
Pwllheli, Wales

Organising Authority

The United Kingdom Fireball Association
in conjunction with
Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club

Host

The United Kingdom Fireball Association



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1.0 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2** No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3** Pre event equipment inspection will apply.
- 1.4** Under rule 87, rule 20.8 of the International Fireball class rules is changed as follows:
Subject to the approval of the Race Committee, a boat chartered or loaned for the events may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta.
- 1.5** International Fireball Class Rule 23 'Limitations of Equipment' will apply.
- 1.6** If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will prevail.
- 1.7** RRS 42 is changed to new rule, RRS 42.3(j):
"42.3(j) When the wind speed is clearly over 12 knots across the course, the Race Committee may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted after the starting signal. This changes RRS 42.2(a), 42.2 (b) and 42.2(c)."
The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2.0 INDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Boats may be required to display identification numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the International Fireball class whose helmsman and crew are members of a National Fireball Class Association recognized by Fireball International or Fireball International if there is no NCA in the boat's country.
- 3.2** For the UK National and Open Championships:
These events will run concurrently in accordance with the Schedule of Events utilizing a single start and common course. In each race finishing positions will be recorded as for a single fleet. Boats will score the points attributable to their finishing position for the event(s) for which they are eligible.
UK National Championship - The UK Fireball National Championship is open to any helm and crew who are members of the UK Fireball Class Association or the Shetland Isles Fireball Class Association.
UK Fireball Open Championship - The UK Fireball Open Championship is open to any helm and crew who are current members of Fireball International or a Fireball Class Association recognized by Fireball International including the United Kingdom Fireball Association.

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3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:
Ian Castle, UKFA Treasurer.
5 Naseby Road, Sibbertoft, Market Harborough, Leics. LE16 9UG, England.
Email: entries@fireballsailing.org.uk
Tel: +44(0) 1858 880 763 Mob: +44(0) 7545 257 639

3.4 Entries for the UK National and Open Championships will be accepted up to 17:00hrs on the 17th August 2015.
Entries for the World Championships will be accepted up to 17:00hrs on the 22nd August 2015.

3.5 A boat is not registered until:

- A regatta fee has been paid
- Class Association membership has been confirmed
- The competitor has declared that they have valid third party insurance.
- A valid measurement certificate has been presented
- All measurement checks have been positively completed

4.0 FEES

4.1 The Entry fees in UK Pounds (£) are as follows:

Event	Before 2 nd March 2015	Before 1 st July 2015	Before 17:00 on 17 th Aug 2015	Before 17:00 on 22 nd Aug 2015
World Championships, UK National and Open Championships.	£440 per boat	£475 per boat	£525 per boat	
UK National and Open Championships only	£200 per boat	£225 per boat	£260 per boat	
World Championships only	£335 per boat	£360 per boat		£395 per boat

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5.0 SCHEDULE

5.1 UK National and Open Championships 17th August to 21st August 2015

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Saturday	15-Aug	14:00 - 18:00	Regatta Office Open
Sunday	16-Aug	12:00 - 18:00	Registration & Measurement for World Championships, UK National and Open Championships.
Monday	17-Aug	09:00 - 12:30 13:30 - 18:00 19:00	Registration & Measurement for World Championships, UK National and Open Championships. Welcome/ Sailors briefing
Tuesday	18-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Wednesday	19-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Thursday	20-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Friday	21-Aug	10:55 warning 19:00	Two races Prize Giving

5.2 World Championships 22nd August to 28th August 2015

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Saturday	22-Aug	09:00 - 12:30 14:00 - 17:00 18:30	Registration & Measurement for World Championships Official Welcome and Competitor's briefing
Sunday	23-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Monday	24-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Tuesday	25-Aug	10:55 warning	Two races
Wednesday	26-Aug		Lay Day
Thursday	27-Aug	12:55 warning	Two races
Friday	28-Aug	10:55 warning 19:00	Two races Prize Giving Ceremony

5.3 The numbers of races scheduled are as follows:

UK National and Open Championships	Number of Races: 8 (2 per day)
World Championships	Number of Races: 10 (2 per day)

Races will be sailed back to back.

5.4 One extra race per day may be sailed if races are not completed as scheduled. Should the weather outlook indicate that a day or days racing might be lost, an extra race may be scheduled for a previous day or days.

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the UK National and Open Championships is 12:55hrs on 18th August 2015.
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the World Championship is 12:55hrs on 23rd August 2015.
On the last day of the World Championship, and the UK National and Open Championships no warning signal will be made after 15:00hrs.

5.6 Wednesday 26th August is scheduled as a Lay day but may become a racing day should the Principal Race Officer deem it necessary, in order to complete a satisfactory number of races for the championship.

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- 5.7** Races will be numbered in the order in which they are completed.
- 5.8** Those competitors entering only the Worlds event will not be permitted to race in the UK National and Open Championships and are required to keep clear of the racing area at all times when racing is taking place in the UK National and Open Championships.
- 6.0 MEASUREMENT and EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**
- 6.1** Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. All boats and equipment shall be presented for pre-event inspection according to the Equipment Inspection Instructions, which will be a part of the Sailing Instructions. Random inspection checks may be carried out during the events.
- 7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
- 7.1** The sailing instructions will be available after 12:00 on Sunday 16th August at registration in the Regatta Office.
- 8.0 VENUE**
- 8.1** Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club, Pwllheli, Gwynedd, Wales
- 8.2** Internet Website pwllhelisailingclub.co.uk shows the location of the regatta centre and the racing area.
- 9.0 THE COURSE**
- 9.1** The courses sailed will be a mixture of Triangle-Sausage and Sausage-Triangle courses. There will be a spacer mark at the windward end of the Sausage leg, and there may be a leeward gate at the downwind end of the Sausage leg. Starts will be made using either a line start or a gate start.
- 10.0 PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 10.1** Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.
- 11.0 SCORING FOR EACH EVENT**
- 11.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2** When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3** When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4** When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 12.0 SUPPORT BOATS**
- 12.1** Support boats shall register at the race office. All registered support boats will carry identification as required by the Organising Authority and shall comply with support boat regulations posted on the notice board.

13.0 BERTHING

13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the dinghy park.

14.0 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

14.1 By participating in these Championships a competitor automatically grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition, without compensation.

15.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16.0 PRIZES

16.1 UK National and Open Championships

Prizes will be awarded to the first 6 boats in the UK National and Open Championships. Other prizes may be awarded. Class prizes will be given as follows:

UK Fireball National Champion Helm	Access National Trophy
UK Fireball National Champion Crew	The City of Plymouth Trophy
UK Fireball Open Champion	Shackleton Painting
Winner of Race 1	Norris Fireball Trophy
Winner of Race 2	The Urban District Council Plate
Winner of Race 3	The Chippendale Hull
Winner of Race 4	The Contac Trophy
Winner of Race 5	The Rondar Trophy
Winner of Race 6	The Peter Milne Trophy
Winner of Race 7	The Yachts and Yachting Trophy
Winner of Race 8	The Anya Charlotte Trophy

16.2 World Championships

Prizes will be awarded to the first 10% + 1 boats in the World Championship. Other prizes may be awarded. Class Prizes will be given as follows:

Overall World Champion	Worlds Trophy
World Champion Crew	Humbolt Trophy
First Classic Boat As defined in Appendix 1	Classic Boat Trophy
First Lady Helm	Thelassa Trophy
Perseverance award	Geest Trophy
First Helm & Crew age under 25 years	TBA
Winner of Race 1	Moore Trophy
Winner of Race 2	Rondar Cup
Winner of Race 3	Volvo Trophy
Winner of Race 4	Certina Trophy
Winner of Race 5	Mildara Wines Trophy
Winner of Race 6	Bell Bowl
Winner of Race 7	Sponsor Trophy
Winner of Race 8	RVYC Trophy
Winner of Race 9	Safaricom Kenya Trophy
Winner of Race 10	P & B Trophy

17.0 RISK STATEMENT

- 17.1** Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states that: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently 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 any other property whether afloat or ashore
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event 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.

18.0 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per incident or the equivalent.

FURTHER INFORMATION

A MEASUREMENT

Please note that boats must arrive at the events pre-measured with a valid measurement certificate.

B CONTAINERS

Container placement will be in the grounds or close to the Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Club and easily accessible throughout the regatta. For container information at the regatta site please contact:

Gareth Roberts, Events Manager
Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club,
Hafan, Pwllheli, Gwynedd. LL53 5YT, Wales.
Email: events@pwllhelisailingclub.co.uk
Tel: +44(0) 1758 613 343

C ACCOMMODATION

A wide range of accommodation is available nearby. Please check the following websites:

www.fireballsailing.org.uk
www.pwllhelisailingclub.co.uk

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D CONTACT DETAILS

Email: worlds2015@fireballsailing.org.uk

Call or text:

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Russell Thorne +44(0) 7811 101 629

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APPENDIX 1.

Classic boat qualifying criteria

Boat Builder	'Classic' Qualifying Criteria
Chippendale	All boats built
High Performance Sailcraft	All boats built
Plycraft	All boats built
R. Moores & Son	All boats built
Rondar	All boats built
Rowsell & Morrison	All boats built
Stanley & Thomas	All boats built
Bob Hoare	Numbers up to 13856
Goodwin Numbers	Numbers up to 14200
Severn Sailboats	Numbers up to 14000
Winder Numbers	Numbers up to 14109 plus boat number 14129
Amateur built boats	Numbers up to 14000