RS Aero UK Winter Series 2017/2018

Notice Of Series

The series will be organised by the RS Aero UK Class Association. This NOS should be read in conjunction with individual event NORs and SIs issued separately. Part of the RS Aero UK Winter Series 2017/2018 is made up from events from the GJW Direct SailJuice Winter Series 2017/2018, details here; <u>http://www.SailjuiceSeries.com</u> and part from events in the Sailing Southwest Winter Series 2017/2018 details here; <u>https://www.sailingsw.co.uk/sw-series</u>, together with others.

1. The Rules

a. The Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RYA prescriptions and the rules of the Class Association.

b. If any conflict arises between the RS Aero Winter Series 2017/2018 Notice of Series and the Notice of Race of an individual regatta, the Notice of Race of the individual regatta shall prevail.

c. Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in the regattas comprising the series entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, during, or after any of the regattas.

2. Eligibility & Entry

a. Only fully paid up members of the RS Aero Class Association may enter the Series b. Entry to the Series is free of charge.

b. To enter the Series, competitors must enter at least one event.

d. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that they have entered and paid for each of the Series events in which they intend to participate. Please note that some events are limited to a maximum number of entries, so early entry is advisable. Failure to secure entry in an event is no grounds for redress in this series.

e. Entries must comprise the same helm throughout the Series.

f. If an event has to be postponed to a later date it shall still be counted as part of the Series provided the event has been re-run by the end of 25^{th} March 2018.

3. The Events

The series will consist of the overall results from the following 11 events:

- Brass Monkey - Yorkshire Dales SC, Wednesday 27th December (SailJuice)

- Grafham Grand Prix Grafham Water SC, Saturday 30th December (SailJuice)
- Slipper Shiver Emsworth Slipper SC, Saturday 6th January
- Steve Nicholson Trophy Northampton SC, Saturday 27th January
- Roadford Rocket Roadford Lake SC, Devon, Sunday 28th January (SW Series)
- The Tiger Trophy Rutland SC, 3/4th February (SailJuice)
- RS Aero UK Winter Champs, The Oxford Blue Oxford SC, Sat 17th Feb (SailJuice)

- County Cooler - Notts County SC, Nottingham, 24/25th February

- Starcross Steamer - Starcross SC, Exe Estuary, Sunday 25th February (SW Series)

- Island Barn Res SC - Surrey, Saturday 17th March

- Hamble Warming Pan - Hamble River SC, 24/25th March

4. Scoring

a. RS Aero overall results for each event shall be split out from the total fleet overall results.

b. The three RS Aero rigs 5, 7 & 9 shall be scored together based on the PY given by each individual host club.

c. The helm shall be awarded the points, rather than the boat. Helms may use different rigs for different events in their series.

d. Scoring is based on a 'low points' scoring system (1 point for finishing 1st, 15 points for finishing 15th etc)

e. Boats scored DNC, DNF, DNE, DGM, DNS, DSQ, BFD, OCS or RET in an event will be given a score of one more than the number of RS Aeros entered in the event. Boats scored DNE or DGM in an event will not be able to discard those scores in the series scoring. Those not entering an event shall receive 100 points for that event.

f. If 7 or more events are held competitors will count their 3 best event scores to determine their final overall Series score.

If 6 or less events are held competitors will count their 2 best event scores to determine their final overall Series score.

g. Tie breaks will be determined as per RRS A8.

h. In the occasional event that the RS Aero rigs are split into different fleets by the organizing authority, results shall be based on their position relative proportionally to their fleet size. The formula used to produce a percentage score is $\{Px100/E - 50/E\}$ where P is the Position in their fleet and E is the number of Entries in their fleet. All RS Aeros at that event shall then be listed in order of that score to ascertain their positions taken towards the series result.

i. For the purpose of producing a purer result for the 'RS Aero UK Winter

Championship' (but not that event's score towards the series) the RS Aero results shall be split out of the overall fleet **for each race** and all RS Aeros shall be scored as one fleet based on the yardsticks used. Due to the reality of time constraints on the day the prize giving of the RS Aero UK Winter Champs on 17th Feb shall likely take place at Island Barn on the Sat 17th March.

5. Prizes

Series prizes will be awarded.

6. Enter!

Enter SailJuice events here:

https://enter.sailracer.org/events/enter-series-mobile.asp?eventid=210542 Info on all events here; https://www.rsaerosailing.org/index.asp?p=events&rg=UK

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