

# Team15 Champions Cup and National Windsurfing Championships



I hope you have all managed to get plenty of time on the water this season. As we approach the last Interclub event of the Summer, I thought it would be timely to remind you all of the Team 15 Champions Cup, and the changes that we have made for this year.

The Team15 Champions Cup is still the National Grand final for Team15, and will crown the winning team – **Team15 National Champions 2014**. This year, the top 2 teams from each region will be eligible to compete for the Champions Cup.

One of the changes to The Champions Cup is that this year it will be held at Rutland Sailing Club (RSC) over the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September, and will be a part of the UKWA National Windsurfing Championships. As well as being the National Championships for all of the course racing windsurf classes, it will also be a festival and celebration of competitive windsurfing (racing). As well as the racing during the day we have a meal and band on in the clubhouse on Saturday evening, and a human table football competition for the Junior and Team 15 sailors.

## **EVERYBODY IS WELCOME!!**

One of the big changes for this year - For teams that have finished their Interclub series outside of the top two spots, they will be welcome to attend and compete at the event as well. Although we won't count your sailor's results for the overall Champions Cup (team) result, your sailors are welcome to come and compete in the event and challenge for the Individual National Championship titles within each respective fleet. You will still be racing alongside everybody else, it's just your results will only be for the Individual National Championships and will not be included within the Champions Cup results.

## **Team 15 Champions Cup Specific Info**

**How to nominate your team for the event:** Eligible teams must nominate their team of up to 15 sailors which will make up their team scores for the Team15 Champions Cup. This must be done by email to [Viv.nanopoulou@rya.org.uk](mailto:Viv.nanopoulou@rya.org.uk) before 08:00hrs on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September. These nominated Team members must also enter the event individually through the event website: [www.ryaracingevents.org.uk](http://www.ryaracingevents.org.uk) Nominated sailors competing for a team must have competed in at least one interclub for their team during the 2014 season. Additional sailors from eligible teams may also enter the event but only the nominated sailors will score for the Team15 Champions Cup.

**Eligible Classes/fleets for the Team15 Champions Cup:** The Team15 Champions Cup will take the results from your sailor's scores within the racing to make up your team scores. Your nominated sailors need to enter the eligible Team15 classes for their results to be counted (3.5 open/techno, 4.5 open/techno, 5.8 open/techno, 6.8 techno) All the other classes that you see on the entry list are for sailors entering the National Windsurfing Championships and not the Team15 Champions Cup.

The National Windsurfing Championships is also being used as an indicator event for the RYA National Junior squad. If sailors are looking to be considered for selection for the RYA National Junior Squad on a 7.8 then they will have to compete at the event on a 7.8 (for NJS indication purposes). If they compete on the 7.8 their results will **not** be eligible for the Champions Cup. For sailors to be eligible for the Champions Cup they must sail within the Team 15 classes (3.5 open/techno, 4.5 open/techno, 5.8 open/techno, 6.8 techno).

## **The Venue – Additional Information**

Rutland Sailing Club is a fantastic venue with great shore side facilities that are well versed in hosting and running National events. Some of your sailors that are/have been in the RYA zone squad may well have attended the RYA/Eric Twiname Championships that are held at the Club every year.

The event website [www.ryaracingevents.org.uk](http://www.ryaracingevents.org.uk) and the Rutland Sailing Club website [www.rutlandsc.co.uk](http://www.rutlandsc.co.uk) have lots of information to make planning your event easier. For those of you interested in camping/caravanning/motor homing, there is a privately run campsite opposite the gates to the sailing club, but you will need to pre-book this, and is on a first come first served basis (it will fill up!). More info on this camping option is available on their website: <http://www.rutlandwatercampsite.co.uk/>

Please note, Camping/caravans/motorhomes are not allowed on the club premises overnight.

**\*\*\*\*\*This event is going to be Epic with the biggest number of windsurfers racing on the water at an event all year, and will be a real celebration of windsurfing – Don't Miss it!!! \*\*\*\*\***

If you have any questions, please get in touch.