Hansa GUL VR Series 2, 2020

A series of 10 events. 50% of the total number races in which you could participate.
Using Virtual Regatta in-shore
This is available for download onto PCs, IPad, and Android

https://www.virtualregatta.com/en/

Notice of Race

Tuesdays @ 3pm starting 7th July –

Race 1: 7th July
Race 2: 14th July
Race 3: 21st July
Race 4: 28th July
Race 5: 4th August
Race 6: 11th August
Race 7: 18th August
Race 8: 25th August
Race 9: 1st September
Race 10: 8th September

The Organising Authority is:
Hansa Class UK

The event will be sailed using one of the boats available in Virtual Regatta.
Primarily we will use the Star, J70 and 49ers, but we reserve the right to introduce other boats.

1. Rules:
   1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing dated 22nd January 2019 1.2
   1.2. Rule infringements will be decided by the VR system and its decisions are final and are not appealable.
   1.3. The RYA Racing Charter will apply – NO SWEARING!

2. Eligibility and Entry:
   2.1. Entry is open to all current members of the Hansa Class UK (HCUK) or their home country HCA.
   2.2. To register for the series, email your details to: treasurer@hansaclass.org.uk – registration will be accepted at any point during the series:
      - Your name
      - Your Email address
      - Your Pseudo / nickname
      - Your Mobile phone number if you are a WhatsApp user and want to use WhatsApp for race updates.
      - Whether you have a Zoom account as I hope to do an accompanying Zoom call while racing.
   2.3. The minimum entries for a fleet at each event shall be one boat.
   2.4. There will be a maximum of 20 entries for each event. These will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.
   2.5. A maximum of 20 boats can compete in any one race.
   2.6. Entries will be accepted up to 6pm the night before each event (late entry may be allowed if there are spaces available) – an email will be sent to all registered sailors when entry is open for the next event.

3. Fees:
   3.1. Free. There is no need to pay a fee to play Virtual Regatta. This is only necessary in order to gain credits and access additional features.

4. Prizes:
   4.1. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places over the series:
      - 1st place: £50 GUL Voucher
      - 2nd place: £40 GUL Voucher
      - 3rd place: £30 GUL Voucher
   4.2. There must be a minimum of 8 qualifying sailors who have completed the series for these prizes to be awarded ie participated in 50% or more of the races over the 10 event series.
   4.3. There may be other spot prizes issued over the series!

5. Schedule:
   5.1. The event schedule for each event (Starting Tuesday 8st September) will be:

Day	Time	Event
	(All times stated are BST)	
Monday	6pm	Entry closes for next day's race.
Tuesday	Before 2pm	Sailing Instructions will be sent by email to all entrants, including the zoom link and codes.
Tuesday	2:45pm	Zoom group will be open (See 9. Communication).
Tuesday	2:55pm	First race goes live in Virtual Regatta
Tuesday	3pm	First race
Tuesday	Soon after previous race	3 races
Tuesday	After 4 races	15 minute break
Tuesday	After break	Races 5-8 back to back

   5.2. Planned number of races:
      - There will be 8 races held each week.
      - No race will start before 3pm on the day of the event

6. The Courses:
   6.1. The courses will be shown once you login to a race. Courses and type of boat may vary.

7. Penalty System:

7.1. For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that no penalty turns are required. In the event of an infringement, your boat will turn transparent, flash, and slow down for 12 seconds.

7.2. There are no protests, the game's decision is final.

8. Scoring:

8.1. The winner will receive points equal to the number of boats who competed in the race. Each place behind that will receive 1 point less. DNF, DSQ will score 0 points. For example, in a race with 12 boats, the winner will get 12 points, 2nd place 11 points,..........., last place 1 point.

8.2. Points from all races will be added to a running total for each participant.

8.3. 50% of the total number of races in which you had an opportunity to participate over the series will count ie if all 80 races are completed, this will be 40.

8.4. At the end of the series the final number of races completed will be known, and 50% of that number will be calculated. Each person's total score will be the sum of their best results for that number of races, all their lower scores will be discarded.

9. Communication:

9.1. Communication is available in the chat function within Virtual Regatta, but just text.

9.2. Alongside the races there will be a Zoom meeting set up for participants and observers. A link to the Zoom group will be sent out with the Sailing instructions.

9.3. WhatsApp may also be used to send entry codes

10. Rights to use name and likeness:

10.1. In participating in the regatta a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the regatta the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said regatta in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said regatta without compensation.

11. Further Information:

11.1. Any amendments to this notice of race will be posted on the Hansa Class UK Website www.hansaclass.org.uk

11.2. For further information and enquires please contact David Durston: Tel: 01285 642390. E-mail: treasurer@hansaclass.org.uk

11.3. Further information about Virtual Regatta - https://www.virtualregatta.com/en/