

The Organizing Authority is Largs Sailing Club Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to dinghies and catamarans that are helmed by members of Largs Sailing Club whose membership falls into the categories stated below:

- a) Individual Members
- b) Family Members
- c) Junior Members

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the paper or electronic entry form available from the RO prior to the start of each days racing.

2.3 Boats shall be divided into classes dependent on their Portsmouth Yardstick as follows:

- a) Fast Handicap for dinghies with a Handicap less than 1091
- b) Slow Handicap for dinghies with a handicap greater or equal to 1091

3 FEES

3.1 For eligible members of Largs Sailing Club no entry fee is payable.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The racing is to be held on specific dates outlined below;

Series Name	Early	Mid	Late
Dates	Wed 5 th Apr 2017, Wed 12 th Apr 2017, Wed 19 th Apr 2017, Wed 26 th Apr 2017, Wed 3 th May 2017, Wed 10 th May 2017	Wed 17 th May 2017, Wed 24 th May 2017, Wed 31 st May 2017, Wed 7 th Jun 2017, Wed 14 th Jun 2017, Wed 21 nd Jun 2017, Wed 28 th Jun 2017	Wed 12 th Jul 2017, Wed 19 th Jul 2017, Wed 26 th Jul 2017, Wed 2 nd Aug 2017, Wed 9 th Aug 2017, Wed 16 th Aug 2017, Wed 23 th Aug 2017

4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is **19:10**

4.3 No warning signal shall be made after **19:40**

4.4 One race will be scheduled each day.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Largs Sailing Club website
www.largssc.co.uk

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The Venue will be Largs Sailing Club, located in Largs Yacht Haven.
6.2 The Race Area will be the Largs Channel

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses are described in Appendix A to the Sailing Instructions.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When from 4 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score
 - c) When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores
- 8.2 Finishing positions shall take account of the number of laps actually sailed, and results shall be calculated on an 'average lap time' basis, using the Portsmouth Yardstick rating system.
- 8.3 If conditions dictate the Race Committee may, at their discretion, take the results of a race from the times recorded for a previous round.
- 8.4 When carrying out Race Officer, Assistant Race Officer or Safety Boat duty, competitors will be awarded average points (excluding discards) for the races that are missed because of those duties.
- a) Competitors shall not receive average points for more than 2 races per series.
 - b) Where more than 2 races in a series are missed because of duties Competitors shall be scored as Did Not Start.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 For each series, and for both the fast and slow handicap fleets prizes will be awarded;
- a) to the three highest placed boats,
 - b) to the highest placed boats where the all members of the crew are under 18 years of age on the date of the last race of the series.

- c) to the highest placed boat where more than three boats of the same class have started every race in the series, unless they have already received a prize.

9.2 The race committee reserve the right not to award prizes if there are insufficient boats entered in any class for any series, and may decide to award additional prizes.

10 MEASUREMENT

10.1 Each dinghy shall comply with their class rules in regard to measurement.

10.2 It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that their boat remains compliant with their class rules.

11 RISK STATEMENT

11.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a 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 their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the 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;
- g) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1 Further information can be found on the Largs Sailing Club website:
<http://www.largssc.co.uk>