

The Royal Solent Yacht Club YARMOUTH, ISLE OF WIGHT

DINGHY WEEK 2023

 $7^{th} - 10^{th}$ August 2023





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NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organising authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2. RULES

2.1 The races will be governed by the current World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any relevant class rules.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Boats shall not be deemed to be racing unless the owner or person in charge has completed and returned the attached entry form together with the required fee for this event to the RSYC Sailing Secretary.

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- 3.2 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.3 All competitors under the age of 18 on 7th August 2023 must ensure that their entry form and parental consent form is signed by a parent or guardian.

4. FEES

4.1 Early Bird Entry Fee of $\pounds 40.00$ for four days racing available prior to 17^{th} July; Standard Entry Fee of $\pounds 60.00$ is from 18^{th} July onwards; Daily Entry Fee is $\pounds 20.00$.

5. CLASSES

- 5.1 Classes will include:
 - •18+ Laser
 - ILCA 7 (formerly Laser Full Rig)
 - •ILCA 6 (formerly Laser Radial)
 - ILCA 4 (formerly Laser 4.7)
 - Pico (race sail)
 - •12 & Under handicap class to include Tera, Pico Novice & Optimist
- 5.2 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.3 There must be at least three entries in order to run a class.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration is from 9am on Monday 7th August at the RSYC.
- 6.2 Briefing to all competitors & parents is 10am on Monday 7th August, RSYC lawn.
- 6.3 There will be two races run back to back each day; at the discretion of the Race Officers, additional races may be run. Competitors will need to check with the PRO
- 6.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal will not be before 1100am.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 Racing will be in the area of the Western Solent and/or Bouldnor Bay.

8. **PROTESTS**

8.1 The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 9.2 In each class, 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at RSYC or to download from www.royalsolent.org from 1st August 2023.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Trophies will be awarded to the overall winner in each class for the Regatta. Also, trophies will be awarded to:
 - Pico, Tera, Optimist Best Junior (under 14)
 - •Laser Regatta Best Under 16 Laser Radial or 4.7
 - •Laser Veteran Cup Best over 50 Laser sailor
- **12**. The Prize Giving will be on Thursday 10th August on the lawn of the RSYC as soon as possible after racing.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 Rule 3 of RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." Sailing is by nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor or if a junior it's parent or guardian 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 while 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) The 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 officails and volunteers by the race 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the venue or event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

14. INSPECTION:

14.1 The fact that race officials may carry out inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor to ensure compliance with the above.

15. INSURANCE

15.2 All boats are required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims including cover for racing in the sum of at least \pounds ,5,000,000 (FIVE million pounds sterling). By entering, entrants declare that such cover will be maintained in full force throughout the Regatta and agree to allow the RSYC, at its discretion, to pass on their contact details to third party insurers in the event of a possible insurance claim.

16. BOAT HANDLING ABILITY

16.1 **All competitors** must be capable of launching and recovering their boats as sea conditions at the RSYC slipway can be demanding. This is a SAFETY MATTER and ALL COMPETITORS are solely responsible for this activity. Launching and recovery teams are at hand but cannot guarentee to be always available at busy times. Parents are required to assist with this SAFETY task