



WSSYSA Regatta 2017 at Dell Quay Sailing Club
Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th September 2017
Organising Authority: West Sussex Schools and Youth Sailing Association
(WSSYSA) with Dell Quay Sailing Club (DQSC)



NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 35 (Time limit and scores), 40 (Personal floatation devices), 41 (Outside help), 60.1 (Protest etc), 61.1, 61.2 and 63.1 (Hearings) will be changed. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.3 WSSYSA implements the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter.
- 1.4 DQSC follows the Chichester Harbour Code of Conduct for Racing and by entering the series competitors agree to sail in compliance with this code. Further information on www.chifed.org
- 1.5 Team Managers shall ensure that crews are aware of and have read this and all other associated documents

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Entry is open to all competitors who were under the age of 19 on the 31 August 2017, sailing monohull dinghies with a Portsmouth Number listed in the RYA PN list, available online at:
http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/portsmouth_yardstick.aspx
- 2.2 Other classes may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee and allocated a PY number.
- 2.3 All boats shall be able to be identified by having unique sail designations.
- 2.4 A change of helm or boat constitutes a separate entry.
- 2.5 Competitors shall enter as teams that are managed by an adult team manager. The team manager shall have authority to act in loco parentis during the regatta
- 2.6 Eligible teams shall enter by sending a completed WSSYSSA Regatta entry form to the WSSYSA Regatta Secretary by midnight, 23 August 2017. Late entries may be accepted at the Organising Authority's discretion.
- 2.7 Entry Fees:
Double handed boats: £20.00, increasing by £5 for entries after midnight of 23 August 2017
Single handed boats: £15.00, increasing by £5 for entries after midnight of 23 August 2017
- 2.8 Other Fees:
Boats not already in possession of a Chichester or Langstone Harbour Plaque will be charged additionally £2 Chichester Harbour Conservancy fee for up to two days.

3. Racing Schedule

- 3.1 Team managers may register their teams from 09:30 on 9th September 2017 at Dell Quay Sailing Club.

- 3.2 Race Fleets:

Fleet	Class	Description
White	Fast Handicap	Monohull dinghies with a PYN of 1138 or lower
Purple	Slow Handicap	Monohull dinghies with a PYN of 1139 or higher
Yellow	Topper	Topper dinghies, both 4.2 and International Topper
Green	Optimist	Optimist Dinghies

Note: Toppers and Optimists are expected to sail in their respective fleets and will not be accepted into the Slow Handicap fleet.

- 3.3 Class flags and starting times will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race on Saturday 9th September is 12:40. There will be a briefing for all competitors at 11:45.
- 3.4 Six races are scheduled to be completed by each fleet

4. Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 Sailing instructions will be available electronically from WSSYSA's web site, www.wssysa.org, and DQSC's website, www.dellquaysc.co.uk, by August 9th 2017 and on the Official Notice Board in the DQSC clubhouse throughout the event.

5. Venue

- 5.1 The racing is based at Dell Quay Sailing Club.

6. Penalty System

- 6.1 The RYA Exoneration Penalty at 20% will be available. Details will be in the Sailing Instructions and will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 6.2 Informal advice may also be available on demand, at the discretion of the Chairman of the Protest Committee

7. Scoring

- 7.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When three or more races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score. When six races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores less her worst two scores. This changes RRS A2.

8. Insurance

- 8.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident that is valid for this event and those sailing the boat.

9. Risk Statement

- 9.1 RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 9.2 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:
- 9.3 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 accordingly whilst taking part in the event;
- 9.4 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 9.5 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- 9.6 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 9.7 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;
- 9.8 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 9.9 The decision for a competitor to take part is the sole responsibility of their Team Manager.
- 9.10 Team managers shall ensure that skippers, crews and their parents or guardians are fully aware and conscious of this risk statement and the actual and potential risks including drowning, hypothermia and other physical injuries including head injuries

10. Supporting Information

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the sailing instructions.
- 10.2 Results will be posted on WSSYSA's website: www.wssysa.org and may also be posted on the Dell Quay Sailing Club website: www.dellquaysc.co.uk
- 10.3 Support boats attending this event shall register at the entry desk.
- 10.4 Competitors, parents and guardians shall accept that photographs of their boat and its crew may be taken whilst attending this event and shall automatically grant The Organising Authority the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, without compensation.

11. Boats and Competitors in Difficulty

- 11.1 When the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore. Competitors shall obey such instructions from boats acting as safety boats.

12. Contact Details

- 12.1 WSSYSA Regatta Secretary: c/o Graham Causer, 8 Salisbury Way, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 5DX.
Email: openevents@dellquaysc.co.uk
WSSYSA Website: www.wssysa.org.uk
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