



Plockton Small Boat Sailing Club

Open Dinghy Weekend (May 11th & 12th 2019)

Sailing Instructions / Notice of Race

Organising Club

The race will be organised by Plockton Small Boat Sailing Club (PSBSC) and any persons they may wish to co-opt. The club will nominate an Officer of the Day (OoD) to run the event.

General Format

This is the PSBSC Weekend Dinghy Regatta. It is open to all RYA affiliated clubs.

The weekend regatta event will comprise 5 races – three on Saturday and two on Sunday.

For the 5 race regatta series there will be a fast handicap fleet (1199 and below) and a slow handicap fleet (1200 and above). The slow handicap fleet will set off after the fast handicap fleet and sail a shorter course.

Conditions of entry

1. The 5 race regatta series is only open to sailing dinghies, keel boats or multihulls with a listed handicap in the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme.
2. All Skippers / Helms must be members of an RYA affiliated club, or full personal RYA members.
3. All Skippers / Helms must complete an entry form (and non PSBSC members) have paid an entry fee prior to the race.
4. Junior sailors in solo dinghies should have completed RYA stage III, be aged 10 - 18 and be accompanied at the event by a responsible adult.
5. Insurance – Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate Third Party Insurance of at least £2,000,000

Disclaimer of liability – competitors participate in the PSBSC dinghy regatta entirely at their own risk, under RRS rule 4 'Decision to Race'. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the race.

Rules

1. Racing will be governed by the ISAF / RYA racing rules of sailing. Some amendments as per the Plockton Small Boat Sailing Club handbook also apply.
2. Briefing will be held at 1100 on Saturday in the PSBSC boatshed. The following will be confirmed at the briefing:
 - a. Course
 - b. The start line
 - c. Finish Line
 - d. Special marks
 - e. Local amendments
3. The Start of the first race will not be before 1230 hrs on Saturday and not before 1200hrs on Sunday.
4. The start sequence for races 2, 3 and 5 will commence shortly after the final boat has completed the previous race.
5. Starting procedure will follow the standard RRS rule 26 (i.e. 5,4,1,0). Using the 'Charlie' class (and preparatory) flags, and sound signals.

6. Recalls: Rule 30 Starting penalties / flag rules do not apply. Instead, when any part of the crew's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the class flag 'Charlie' will be kept at dip accompanied by a sound signal. In addition, every effort will be made to hail the boat. General Recall will be signalled by 2 sound signals.
7. Protests must be submitted to the OoD, and the vessel being protested notified by the protestor, within 30 minutes of the final regatta race of the day.
8. Retiring vessels must notify the OoD

Scoring

1. The races will be mixed fleet racing with elapsed time recorded and corrected times calculated based on PY handicaps.
2. The regatta series score will include 1 discard. Should the number of races be reduced to 3 or less there will be no discard.
3. Results for the fast handicap and the slow handicap fleet will be separated, with prizes awarded for each.
4. Scoring will be as per Racing Rule of Sailing Appendix A – i.e. low points system

Results / prizes

Provisional results from the first 3 races will be announced at The Plockton Hotel at the conclusion of racing on Saturday.

The result of the regatta series will be announced and prizes issued in the PSBSC boatshed on Sunday afternoon, after the completion of the final race. A results sheet will also be posted on the PSBSC boatshed notice board shortly after the regatta, and the results will be posted on the PSBSC website.

Additional logistics

PSBSC have only limited club house facilities in our 'Boat Shed', located by the main village car park at the junction of Innes St and Harbour St. In particular, we do not have changing rooms or showers. We do have an indoor training room with limited kitchen facilities, located adjacent to a public loo, which has some space for changing. Boats can be stored in the public car park and launched from the slipway in front of the boat shed. Alternatively, there is some space for boat storage and a slip at the "Green Shed" (drive along Harbour St, turn right onto Cooper st, then right again). There are numerous accommodation options (<https://visitplockton.com/>), not least the Plockton Hotel who will be hosting us on the Saturday night.

Teas, coffees and light snacks will be available at the briefing on Saturday. This year we are unable to provide food for the Saturday evening, but food can be ordered from the Plockton Hotel, or numerous other local food outlets.

ENTRY / BOAT REGISTRATION FORM

Skipper / Helm Name			
Address			
Mobile.			
Emergency Contact			
Emergency Contact no.			
Crew names			

Boat Name	
Boat Class	
Sail No.	
Other identifying features	

- In signing this form, I accept full responsibility for my boat, crew and actions during the event.
- I confirm that I carry £2,000,000 Third Party and Crew Insurance.
- I confirm that I have read the race entry requirements and rules and agree to be bound by these.
- (Non PSBSC members only) I enclose my race entry fee of £10 per adult sailor, £5 per junior sailor (cheques made payable to Plockton Small Boat Sailing Club)
- I confirm that I have read the PSBSC Data Protection Policy and I give consent to the PSBSC using my name and/or picture to promote the club and/or display results.

Signature	
Signature of parent / guardian of juniors	
Date	