



RNCYC Open Regatta

ROYAL NORTHERN & CLYDE YACHT CLUB

Saturday 24th August 2019
East Patch, Clyde, Scotland

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority of the Club Regatta is the Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club.

The notation “[DP]” in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification [Discretionary Penalty].

1. Rules

1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of the RYA, IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, CYCA Handicap Rules and Class Rules for One Designs.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 Boats sailing in Class 1 shall have a valid CYCA handicap certificate. Boats in that Class which also want to race IRC shall have a valid IRC certificate in addition. Boats racing as One Design must comply with the rules of the relevant class association.

2.2 The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry and or to ask any boat to complete further undertakings or declarations before accepting any entry.

2.3 Boats will race in the following classes:

Class	Handicap
Class 1	CYCA 0 to 21.5 min/hr – if racing IRC also, IRC < 0.850
Gareloch	N/A
Piper	N/A
Sonar	N/A
Etchells	N/A
Hunter 707	N/A
Sonata	N/A
Sigma 33	N/A
Restricted Sail	CYCA 0 to 20.0 min/hr

2.4 Classes may be combined or split at the discretion of the organisers.

2.5 Boats with a valid IRC or CYCA certificate with a handicap outside these ranges may be accepted as entries at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

2.6 Entries shall be made using the Entry Form available on the Club website at www.rncyc.com/event-information or through the RNCYC office (open weekdays 9am -12noon). Entries should be submitted by noon on Monday 19th August 2019.

2.7 Entries after the closing date for entries (19th August) may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee provided a completed entry form has been signed by the owner or person in charge and all appropriate fees paid

3. Registration and Schedule

3.1 There is no formal registration process.

3.2 Racing on the East Patch, between Helensburgh and Greenock, will take place on Saturday 24th August with the first warning signal at 12.00. Further details of the courses will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

3.3 On Saturday 24th August, no warning signal will be made after 16.30.

3.4 Number of Races: Boats racing in Class 1 and One Design classes will have up to 4 races. Boats racing in Restricted Sail will have up to 2 races.

4. Sailing Instructions

4.1 Sailing Instructions will be emailed out to all competitors on or before 23rd of August and put on to the RNCYC website.

5. Venue and Courses

5.1 The race area is off Helensburgh bound by Ardmore point to the east, Rosneath Patch to the west, and Clydeport channel to the south. Competitors should note that the race area is subject to the regulations of Clydeport and Queen`s Harbourmaster. The relevant details will be in the Sailing instructions.

5.2 The courses for Class 1 and the One Design classes will be mainly windward/leeward or triangle/sausage style courses, round a combination of laid marks and navigation buoys.

5.3 The courses for the Restricted Sail class will be passage race style courses, round a combination of laid marks and navigation buoys.

6. Arbitration and Exoneration

6.1 An Exoneration Penalty and a modified version of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

6.2 The Two-Turns penalty shall be replaced by a One-Turn penalty (including 1 tack and 1 gybe). This changes RRS 44.1.

7. Scoring

7.1 One race will be required to constitute a series.

When three or fewer races are completed, a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores.

If four races have been completed, a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8. Prizes

8.1 RNCYC trophies together with a keeper will be awarded to Class winners and the overall winner.

8.2 Place prizes and other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority depending on the number of starters in each class.

8.3 An RNCYC trophy together with a keeper will be awarded to the youth (under 25) helm or crew who, in the opinion of the Race Committee has given the best performance of all eligible competitors in the Series. Competitors should indicate their eligibility for the Youth Trophy when submitting their Entry Form.

8.4 The Prize Giving will be held in the RNCYC Clubhouse, as soon as possible after the finish of the last race.

9. Rights to use Names and Likenesses

9.1 Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to, the event.

10. Risk Statement

10.1 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." See also World Sailing Offshore Special Regulation 1.02.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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 this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing for the event;
- h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

11. Inspections

11.1 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

12. Insurance

12.1 The owner/skipper is required to ensure that the boat has adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party and passenger claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000 or equivalent.

13. Privacy Statement

The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

14. Further Information

15.1 For further information please contact: Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club, The Clubhouse, Rhu, Helensburgh, G84 8NG. Tel: 01436 820 322 and email office1@rncyc.com. Or go to <http://www.rncyc.com/event-information>.