

Notice of Race

BYS Midlands

Regional Junior Championships

Draycote Water Sailing Club

28th 29th September 2019



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The British Youth Sailing (BYS) Midlands Regional Junior Championships at Draycote Water Sailing Club (DWSC)

The Organising Authority is the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) in conjunction with DWSC

1. Rules

- 1.1. Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS appendix B is applicable for the windsurfing racing. Rule B8 is deleted.
- 1.3. This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to Competitors from the Organising Authority.
- 1.4. The rules and byelaws of DWSC will apply.
- 1.5. Competitors should note that RYA Events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/racingcharter
- 1.6. The exoneration penalty, and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration, of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.
- 1.7. There is an expectation that Part 2 Rules Disputes will be dealt with an Advisory Hearing in The Coached Regatta Racing Fleet.

2. Eligibility and Entry

Racing will be for nominated dinghies and windsurfers classes. Fleets may be combined in the event of low entries. Fleets with entries of fewer than 5 boats by the closing date will be reviewed. The Organising Authority reserve the right to cancel racing for a fleet after the closing date if the minimum entry has not been met. The Organising Authority will offer a full refund to anyone whose fleet has been cancelled.

- 2.1. **The Championship Fleet** (fleet racing in BYS recognised fleets)
 - 2.1.1. Dinghies will be RS Feva XLs, Optimists, Toppers and RS Tera (Sport Rig). Competitors in the Topper fleet using either the 5.3m² or 4.2m² sails shall be scored as a single fleet.
 - 2.1.2. Windsurfers will compete on a Bic Techno 293 board in 4 classes within two fleets;
 - 2.1.2.1. Either 4.5 or 5.8 rig (open mast/boom and a sail that must have a maximum of 6 battens and 2 cams).
 - 2.1.2.2. Bic Techno 6.8 or 7.8 rig – age limitations within the International Bic Techno Class Rules apply.
 - 2.1.3. Competitors in the championship fleet shall be under 16 on the 31st December 2019 except for competitors in the RS Feva XL fleet and Bic Techno 7.8 class whom shall be under 17 on the 31st December 2019.
- 2.2. **The Coached Regatta Racing Fleet** (coaching & coached racing)
 - 2.2.1. Dinghies will be RS Feva XLs (sailing without spinnaker), Optimists, Toppers & RS Tera (Sport Rig). Competitors in the Topper fleet using either the 5.3m² or 4.2m² sails shall be scored as a single fleet.
 - 2.2.2. Competitors shall be under 15 on 31st December 2019.
- 2.3. **OnBoard Fun Fleet.** (fun “games with aims” type sessions) (Please talk to HPM chris.blackburn@rya.org.uk if unsure about entry)
 - 2.3.1. Dinghies will be provided by the Host Club and the Organising Authority for this fleet and entry will be limited to 36 sailors.
 - 2.3.2. The target age for competitors is under 13 on 31st December 2019.

2.4. For organisational and safety reasons all entries must be made on the event online entry form on or before Sunday 22nd September 2019. Entries will not be accepted after this date except at the relevant HPM's discretion. <http://www.rya.org.uk/RACING-EVENTS/Pages/hub.aspx>

2.5. All helms and crews are required to submit Parent/Guardian Declarations and Data forms at registration at the event. These forms can be downloaded from the event web site.

3. Fees

3.1. Entry Fees are as follows:-

Single-hander	£40
Double Hander	£50
Coached Regatta Racing Fleet	£40
OnBoard Fun Fleet	£40

4. Qualifying Series and Final Series

4.1. There will be no qualifying or final series.

5. Schedule

5.1. Registration

All competitors, shall register in the Club house on Saturday 28th September between 09:00 and 10:00.

5.2. The main briefing for all competitors will take place on the patio in front of the club house at 10.30 on Saturday 28th September 2019.

5.3. Separate briefings will be given to the Regatta Racing fleet and the Fun OnBoard Fleet after the main briefing.

6. Racing Programme Championship Fleet.

There will be a maximum of 7 races for all classes except Windsurfers that will have up to a maximum of 9 races. The warning signal for the first race on Saturday 28th September will not be before 11.25; and for the first race on Sunday 29th September will not be before 10.25. Normally there will be 4 races on Saturday and 3 races on Sunday (Except for windsurfers that may have up to 5 races on Saturday and 4 on Sunday), but the race committee may adjust the schedule of races throughout the weekend.

7. Coached Regatta Racing & Fun OnBoard Fleet.

The programme will be determined by the Course Race Officer and coaches on the day. There is no maximum number of races. No activity will take part before the main briefing on the Saturday or before 10:00 on the Sunday.

8. Measurement

8.1. Random measurement checks of boats and equipment, including personal equipment, may be made at any time during the championship.

8.2. Windsurfers: RRS 77 shall apply. To aid identification for the competitors and the race teams, windsurfers will be required to display a coloured dot on both sides of their sail, relating to the fleet/rig size they have entered within, these will be available at Registration.

8.3. Female participants of all fleets will be required to display a red diamond on their sail for the duration of the championships. Sailors will be provided with diamonds at Registration.

9. Sailing Instructions

Draft sailing instructions will be downloadable from the RYA events website before the event. Questions on the sailing instructions may be emailed to racingevents@rya.org.uk. Questions and answers will be posted to the RYA racing events website and will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the event.

10. Venue

Races will be sailed on the Draycote Water.

11. The Courses

- 11.1. For the Championship Fleet, a trapezoid course with inner and outer loops as shown in attachment A of the Sailing Instructions.
- 11.2. The Coached Regatta Racing Fleet and OnBoard Fun Sailors, sailing areas will be described within your session briefings each day.
- 11.3. For windsurfers, course options will be shown in attachment A of the Sailing Instructions.

- 12.1. For all classes, the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A (RRS) will apply, Rule B8 is deleted (RRS).
- 12.2. Details on Scoring will be issued in the Sailing Instructions.

13. Support Boats

Only official event organisation boats will be allowed to launch from DWSC.

14. Berthing

Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces in the boat park.

15. Radio Communications

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16. Prizes

16.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and will be awarded to sailors to the

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd boy and 1st, 2nd & 3rd girl for single handed dinghy classes.
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd boy and 1st, 2nd & 3rd girl for windsurfer classes
- In each category, if 3 or less sailors only 1st will be awarded, 4 sailors 1st and 2nd awarded and 5 or more sailors 1st 2nd and 3rd will be awarded.
- For Double handed boats, prizes will be award for 1st all boy boat, 1st all girl boat and 1st mixed boat, then 2nd and 3rd overall.
- The Coached Regatta Racing and OnBoard Fun Fleet prizes will be awarded at the Event Director/Coaches discretion.
- **Club Trophies**
 “RYA Midlands Regional Junior Championships Club Trophy” Donated by the Regional Committee – awarded to the sailing club with the most entries in Championship, Coached Regatta and Fun OnBoard Fleets combined who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 22nd September 2019.
 “BYS Midlands Regional Junior Championship Development Trophy” Donated by the Regional Committee – awarded to the sailing club with the largest increase in entry numbers from the 2018 Regional Junior Championship, Championship, Coached Regatta and Fun OnBoard Fleets combined who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 22nd September 2019.
- For all fleets there will be prizes awarded to sailors who exhibit BYS Values & Behaviours.
 NB. The sailing club indicated with your entry will be used for all prize categories when this applies.

17. Rights to use Names and Likenesses

Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

18. Safety Regulations

All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits, drysuits and windsurfing harnesses are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40.1

19. Risk Statement

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 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 competitors briefing held at the venue;

20. Data Protection Privacy Statement

20.1. 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.

21. Insurance

Boats are required to be adequately insured, including insurance against third party claims of at least £3,000,000.

22. Further Information

22.1. All material relating to the event including news, detailed schedules, entry lists etc. will be published on www.ryaracingevents.org.uk in due course.

22.2. **Membership & Liability**

22.3. All visiting competitors and families will be deemed as visiting yachtsmen during the event and as such shall abide by both Club’s rules and bye-laws.

22.4. Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.

23. Local Rules & Bye-laws of DWSC

23.1. Information on visiting DWSC including the By-laws can be viewed by visiting the following web site:-
<http://draycotewater.co.uk/open-meeting-visitor-information/>

FURTHER INFORMATION about the Venue

DWSC website: <http://draycotewater.co.uk/>

DWSC, Kites Hardwick, Nr Rugby, Warwickshire, CV23 8AB

To be considered for the RYA Zone Squad all sailors must complete the online application process on

www.ryaracingevents.org.uk