

Notice of Race

Waldringfield Regatta Weekend

23rd - 25th June 2023

Racing for monohull Club class dinghies and keelboats

Programme of Races

FRIDAY 23 rd JUNE	SATURDAY 24 th JUNE	SUNDAY 25 th JUNE
HW 16.08	HW 16.45	HW 17.25
BIRKETTS TROPHIES	DINGHIES, SQUIBS	DINGHIES, SQUIBS
18.30 Slow Handicap	Race 1: 14.00	Race 3: 13.20
18.35 Fast Handicap	Race 2: back to back	Race 4: back to back

The race officer may combine class starts for the race series, or make any other alterations as seen fit. Please look for your class code flag at the start.

As guidance, these are the flags for each likely racing class:

Birketts Trophies	Fast Handicap – Code flag K	Slow Handicap – Code flag E
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Class	Start flag	Shorten course flag
RS200	Pink with "200"	Pink with "200"
Cadet	Code Flag E	Code flag Y
Topper	Code flag E	Code flag T
Dragonfly	Code flag K	Code flag W
Lark	Code flag K	Black L on yellow
OK	Code flag K	Code flag H
Wayfarer	White with "W"	White with "W"
Laser	Laser insignia	Laser insignia
Squib	Naval Numeral 9	Naval Numeral 9

On-line entry Fee (entry deadline 11.45pm on 22 June):

Junior boats and Adult single-handers £5 for the whole weekend. Adult two-handers £10 for the whole weekend.

Sailing Instructions are available from www.waldringfieldsc.com **Late entries** (on the day) may be accepted at £10/£20 at RO's discretion.

GENERAL

1. Rules

All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the RYA Racing Charter principles and objectives, class rules, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions alter RRS 26 Warning/Preparatory signals, 29.2 General Recalls, 35 Time Limits, 40 Personal Buoyancy, 44.3 Scoring Penalties, 46 Person in charge. The Sailing Instructions detail the changes and are available online and from race reception.

2. Scoring System

The series will be scored as provided in RRS Appendix A, A4.1 Low Points System. If four races are completed, one discard allowed; three or fewer completed, all will count. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

3. Trophies

On receipt of a trophy, the trophy winner must sign an acknowledgement of receipt and an agreement to return the trophy to Waldringfield Sailing Club by the start of the Regatta 2024. The Trophy must be returned in good condition and engraved with the winner's details. Failure to return the trophy by that date, or return of a damaged trophy, will incur a penalty of *the insured value of the trophy plus £20*, payable by the same date.

4. Safety

Additionally read Section **6 Risk Statement**. Adequate personal buoyancy must be worn by all competitors in dinghies when afloat. Wet suits and non-inflated inflation type buoyancy aids are not sufficient. As a minimum, keelboats shall carry adequate personal buoyancy for the number of crew aboard. It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian of junior members to ensure compliance with this rule. Failure to comply with any safety rule will result in immediate disqualification from the associated race.

5. Membership of Waldringfield Sailing Club

Entrants for the Regatta 2023 will become temporary members of Waldringfield Sailing Club for the duration of the event. Attention of members is drawn to club General Rule A3 as follows. Neither the Club nor its Officers, General Committee ("the committee"), servants, agents or members will accept any liability for:

- (i) damage direct or consequential to or loss of property belonging to members, competitors, their quests or visitors or other persons
- (ii) personal injury direct or consequential arising out of the use of Club premises and any other facilities of or used by the Club, whether sustained by members, competitors, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to or was occasioned by the act, neglect, default or negligence of the Officers, Committee, servants, agents or members of the Club.

Before inviting any guest or visitors onto Club premises or to use Club facilities or to participate in events organised or authorised by the Club, members and competitors will draw their attention to this rule.

6. 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 safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- q) Their boat is adequately insured with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims.