

NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is Largs Sailing Club (LSC) in conjunction with Fairlie Yacht Club (FYC).

1 RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 Competitors will be given temporary membership of Largs Sailing Club for the duration of Largs Regatta Week.

2.2 The regatta is open to dinghies or catamarans belonging to, or under the control of, members of the RYA or members of clubs affiliated to the RYA.

2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the appropriate entry form and sending it, together with the required fee (cheques payable to Largs Regatta Week), to:

Largs Regatta Week,
Largs Yacht Haven,
Irvine Road,
Largs
KA30 8EZ.

Note: Payments may be made by bank transfer, please see the entry form for details.

2.4 Entries received after Friday 25 AUG 2017 may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee and shall be subject to an additional late entry fee of £10. **This allows for adequate safety cover** to be put in place. Late entry fees are non-refundable.

3 FEES (Non-Refundable)

<i>Dinghies & Catamarans</i>	<i>Fee</i>
2 or more crew	£17.00
Single handed	£14.00
2 or more crew (Under 18 years)	£12.00
Single handed (Under 18 years)	£10.00

Note that a discounted rate is available for boats that wish to enter all 3 parts of Largs Regatta Week (ie Cumbraes Weekend, the Midweek Series and the Scottish 2 Handed Race or the Hems Kalis Dinghy Series). Please see the Cumbraes Weekend Notice of Race and Entry Forms for details.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Registration: In order to confirm numbers participating for safety purposes, Dinghies and Catamarans shall register before taking part in any race on Saturday 02 SEP 2017 from 1000 to 1100 hrs upstairs in the lounge of Largs SC.

4.2 Racing Schedule:

<i>Dates of Racing</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Handicap</i>	<i>1st Start Time</i>	<i>No of Races</i>
Saturday 02 SEP 2017	Slow Handicap Dinghy	PY	1200	Up to 3
	Fast Handicap Dinghy	PY	1205	Up to 3

4.3 The Organisers may combine, divide or add classes depending on the type and number of entries.

4.4 The class divisions shall be available shortly after registration closes, please check with the race officer on the day.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available from the event website: www.largsregattaweek.co.uk . Hard copies of the sailing instructions may be obtained from the Race Office on request, please contact Largs Yacht Haven on 01475 675333 or by e-mail: dave@largsyachthaven.com.

6 VENUE

6.1 The venue will be Largs Sailing Club, located in Largs Yacht Haven.

6.2 The Race Area will be the Largs Channel.

7 THE COURSES

The courses are windward- leeward or triangular and are described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

8 PROTESTS

The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

9 SCORING

9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, without discard. This changes RRS A2.

10 PRIZES

10.1 The Prize giving will be held in Largs Sailing Club as soon as possible after racing.

10.2 The LARGS 'LIFEBOAT CREW' TROPHY for the Dinghy or Catamaran of the week will be awarded to the boat which, in the opinion of the organising committee has produced the best performance during Largs Regatta Week. Boats shall compete, with the same helm, in Cumbraes Weekend, the Midweek Series and the Hems Kalis Dinghy Series to qualify for this trophy which will be presented in Largs Sailing Club at 1200hrs on **Sunday 03 SEP 2017**.

11 RISK STATEMENT

11.1 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."

11.2 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:

- (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 and other officials and volunteers by the event 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 held for the event.

12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 000 000 per event or the equivalent.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information is available from the event website: www.largsregattaweek.co.uk and by telephoning or e-mailing the following:

Largs Sailing Club Tel: 01475 670000,
Largs Yacht Haven Tel: 01475 675333,

e-mail: secretary@largssc.co.uk
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