



West Kirby Sailing Club REGATTA



Sunday 27th June 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

President: Mr P.J. Bramley

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Racing on the Dee Estuary

HW 13.40; 8.78 Metres

Schedule of Races

Race No	Classes	Code Flag	Warning Signal for 1 st Race
1	Liverpool Bay Falcon / Limbo 6.6	R	11.55
2	Hilbre Island One Design	I	12.00
3	West Kirby Star / Hoylake Opera / Seabird Half Rater	E	12.05
4	Handicap Catamarans / Dart 18s	F	12.10
5	Cruisers	H	12.15
6	Fast Handicap Dinghies (PN 1180 and lower)	W	12.10
7	Slow Handicap Dinghies (PN 1181 and higher)	V	12.15

- All classes except Cruisers will have two races sailed back-to-back. Cruisers will have one race.
- Races 1 – 5: briefing 10.15; start from the tidal start boat.
- Races 6-7: briefing 11.15; start from the dinghy start boat. Average lap times will be used.
- The online official notice board is located at <https://www.wksc.org.uk/regatta-weekend-2021/>
- Sailing instructions and course cards can be downloaded from the online official notice board from Tuesday 22 June.

Regatta Entry Fee £5 per day. The Hilbre Island Race is free of charge.

Entry Forms and payment should preferably be completed online <https://www.wksc.org.uk/webcollect/> but, if this is not possible, entries will be taken at WKSC clubhouse on Friday 25th June (19.00-21.00), before racing on Friday morning from 09.00 and on Sunday 27th June from 09.00.

Visitors are very welcome.

Weekend Schedule of Racing

Friday 25th June:

Hilbre Island Race: Start – 10.45 for Hilbres, Stars, Operas and Limbos
Start – 11.15 for Falcons, Catamarans and Dinghies
Illusion Regatta: Start – 15.00 on the Marine Lake - 5 races

Saturday 26th June:

Dee SC Regatta: Start – Race 1 at 11.30

Sunday 27th June:

West Kirby SC Regatta: Start – Race 1 at 12.00

Rules

1 The Organising Authority for Friday and Sunday racing is West Kirby Sailing Club. Dee Sailing Club is the Organising Authority for racing on Saturday.

2 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the Regatta Sailing Instructions and the Class Association Rules of boats participating except as any are changed by the Regatta Sailing Instructions which take precedence in the event of any difference with the Notice of Race or other relevant documents changing Rule 63.7.

Eligibility to Race

- a) The classes listed in the above Schedule of Races, and all dinghies with a recognised PN, are eligible to race. Boats not having a recognised PN will be given a trial number by the Official Handicapper.
- b) Adjusted PNs will be used for some classes. A list of changes from the RYA 2021 PNs will be available on the WKSC website and the Official Club Notice Board.

Protest Committee

Given the Covid 19 guidance from the Government, face to face hearings will be held where tables have been disinfected, which may be outside. Please note in any such hearings the boat models will be disinfected during the hearing and the jury may be limited to two people, which is permissible under RRS. In the event that the Covid guidance changes regarding social distancing the Race Committee reserves the right to require any arbitration or protest hearings to be held by Zoom or Teams.

Courses

Saturday/Sunday 26th/27th June: All racing will take place on the Dee Estuary. Except for Race 5 all boats will sail a trapezoid course. Races 6-7 will have a separate race area. All classes except Cruisers will have two races sailed back-to-back. Cruisers will have one race.

Friday 25th June: The Hilbre Island Race on will have a special course described in the Sailing Instructions. The Illusion Class Regatta will be sailed on the Marine Lake.

Risk Statement

Rule 3 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, and will carry adequate lifesaving equipment for all persons on board;
- 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 at the venue;
- h) each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their support persons comply with the rules;
- i) the penalty for a breach of rule shall be at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

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 a 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, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

COVID Statement

1 Although it is hoped that Covid-19 restrictions in England will end before the Regatta weekend we still ask that:

a) anyone who is unwell with symptoms of Covid-19, is shielding, or has contact with a family, or household member who is unwell with symptoms of Covid-19, should not enter any event organised by WKSC and should avoid visiting the club for a minimum of 10 days.

b) Non-members on the club premises, who have not entered the Regatta, must complete a Track and Trace card at the bar in the WKSC Main Room.

2 The format of the event is subject to change without notice as a result of Covid-19 restrictions in force at the time.

3 By taking part in any of the events covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any UK government guidelines and legislation in force at the time of this event in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with West Kirby Sailing Club COVID-19 procedures (www.wksc.org.uk).

4 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. The organising authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

5 By entering this event, competitors accept these conditions unconditionally.

Insurance

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

Refreshments and On Shore Entertainment

The galley and bar will be open after racing at West Kirby Sailing Club on Friday and Sunday and at Dee Sailing Club on Saturday. More information will be posted on the online Official Notice Board in due course.

Prizegiving

If conditions permit a prizegiving will be held at the appropriate Club after racing each day.

Further Information

For further information please contact West Kirby Sailing Club:

Tel: 0151 625 5579; Website: <https://www.wksc.org.uk/regatta-weekend-2021/>;

Email: regatta@wksc.org.uk