

WILSONIAN SAILING CLUB – 2017 JUNIOR REGATTA

Name of event: Wilsonian Sailing Club – 2017 Junior Regatta
Inclusive dates: Saturday 26 August 2017
Organising authority: The Sailing Committee of the Wilsonian Sailing Club (WSC) Hoo, Kent

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2 Personal Flotation Devices

Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times. **This changes RRS 40.**

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 This event is open to members of WSC, Medway Y.C. and invited members of other clubs who are under the age of 18 on 1 January 2017.

2.2 The entries will be split into Fleets with separate starts as follows:-

Fast handicap – PY No's 1200 or less. (for guidance 1200 is current Laser 4.7 h'cap)

Medium handicap – PY No's 1201 or more.

2.3 Entries must be completed prior to racing, on the form provided which will be accepted at the WSC race office. The race committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.

2.4 **Entry Fee** – N/A for WSC members, single handers £12, double handers £18.

2.5 **Signing on** – in addition to completing an application form all helms & crews must Check-Out prior to racing.

2.6 **Sailing Instructions** – these will be available for competitors to read in exchange for a completed entry form.

3. Schedule

3.1 Four races are scheduled.

Race	Warning Signal	Race	Warning Signal
1 Fast	10:55	2	back-to-back with race 1
1 Medium	11.00	2	back-to-back with race 1
3	ASAP after lunch	4	back-to-back with race 3

3.3 There will be an informal competitors' briefing at approximately 9.45 am. Competitors should be prepared to go afloat to sail to the start line immediately after briefing, e.g. boat rigged and dressed in your sailing kit.

4. Scoring

4.1 Race results will be calculated using each boat's average corrected lap time.

4.2 When 3 or less races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

4.3 When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

5. Prizes

5.1 There are 6 Prizes up for grabs, 3 for each fleet, and they will be awarded as decided by the race committee.

6. Risk Statement

6.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states "The Responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."

6.2 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 while 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 practically be provided in the circumstances.

7. Insurance

- 7.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third party liability insurance.

8. RYA Racing Charter

- 8.1 Competitors should note that Wilsonian SC implements 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*) or at rya.org.uk/racing/charter.