

## **From the Sailing Secretary**

Welcome to Bass Week 2025

Your welcome pack includes a copy of the Racing Programme and Sailing Instructions (SIs). Keep an eye on the official notice board (in the clubhouse foyer) for any sailing-related notices, including changes to SIs. There will be a briefing on Saturday when we'll run through various points in the SIs and we can answer any queries – or just come and see me beforehand. I will post a competitor list on the Friday which competitors should check that their boat details and particularly rig sizes correct. If corrections are required fill out a change of details form.

There are two pursuit races scheduled: the Nairn Pursuit race on Tuesday afternoon and the Lifeboat Silver Salver race on Thursday afternoon. We will hold a short briefing before each pursuit to explain the format, and feel free to ask for help if you are not familiar with this format of racing and would like to give it a go.

There is a "Novice Race" for Monday morning. This is aimed at those young sailors who are relatively new to racing – if you can get around a triangular course (or nearly can) then have a go weather conditions permitting. There will be a pre-race briefing, coaching for the tail end to help people get around and some more experienced rules-based coaching for the front of the fleet. There will be three mini races back-to-back and the intention is to run the race as a mass start but results taken in the primary fleets of optimist, tera pro and sport and topper to ease race management. The more experienced Juniors are welcome to join in too. This event is aimed at reducing the risk that conditions for the junior race on Friday prevent less experienced junior sailors participating as has often been the case.

**Can all Parents/Guardians please ensure you complete the "Parental & Medial Consent Form" included within this pack, for all sailors under 18 years of age, and return it to the race office prior to going afloat. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.**

Please notify us of any changes to entries in plenty of time **before** racing, by completing the forms located on the door of the committee room. This helps us deliver accurate results without delays. There are also scoring request forms located in the same place to be completed if you have a query regarding your results. It is good practice to note the boat before and after you to assist with any scoring requests.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, don't hesitate to seek me out. I will be very happy to do what I can to help.

I hope you have a fantastic week of racing!

John Reekie

Sailing Secretary