



NOTICE OF RACE

Rope4Boats RS100 / RS700 Inland Championships 2023 Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Sat 11th/Sun 12th November 2023

The organising authority is Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Ltd. in association with the RS Class Association
All enquiries to: Paul Nichols – vice-commodore@chewvalleysailing.org.uk
This event is part of the Rooster National Tour 2023.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Rules of CVLSC and the Bristol Water byelaws, and the Rules of the RS Class Association, RS100 Class and RS700 Class.
- 1.2. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3. Rule A5.3 will apply and rule A5.2 is changed so that a boat that came to the starting area but did not start, did not sail the course, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area and a boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series.
- 1.4. **No dogs are allowed on the premises.**

2. Entries

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats of the RS100 and RS700 classes.
- 2.2. Entries should be made in advance through the Chew Valley Lake SC website at <https://webcollect.org.uk/cvlsc/event/rs100-rs700-inland-championships-2023>.
- 2.3. The deadline for early entries is 23:59 on Tue 7th November 2023. Late entries to be accepted on the day of the event subject to decision by the Host Club and Class Associations and will be subject to an additional £10 fee.
- 2.4. All helms must be current members of the RS Class Association.
- 2.5. Those competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event shall be required to complete and lodge the parental/guardian's consent form included in the entry form with the Race Committee prior to the start of racing.

3. Communication

- 3.1. The official noticeboard will be located on the window of the training room in the South-East corner of the ground floor of the CVLSC clubhouse.

4. Fees

- 4.1. The entry fees per boat for the event are:
 - (a) CVLSC members £15
 - (b) Visitors £25
- 4.2. Entry fee includes all weekend racing.
- 4.3. If an entry is cancelled by a competitor:
 - (a) prior to the early-entry closing date, any entry fee paid will be refunded in full, less a £5 administration charge.
 - (b) after the early-entry closing date, no entry fee paid will be refunded.



5. Cancellation

5.1. The Organising Authority may cancel the event at its absolute discretion. If the Organising Authority deems (due to weather forecast, water levels etc) that the event should not be held, this decision will be made and communicated to entered boats no later than 20:00 on Thu 9th November 2023.

5.2. Should the Organising Authority cancel the event prior to the conclusion of race 1 the entry fee will be refunded.

6. Schedule of Races

6.1. Registration - All entrants must register at the Registration Desk (South-East corner of the ground floor of the clubhouse) which will be open from 09.30 to 11:00 on Sat 11th.

6.2. Sat 11th November - Briefing 11.00.

6.3. A maximum of six races are scheduled and no more than four will be run in any one day.

6.4. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sat 11th November is 11:55.

6.4. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sun 12th November is 10:55.

6.5. On Sun 3rd, no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

7. Advertising

7.1. [NP] [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8. Sailing Instructions

8.1 The RS Class Association standard sailing instructions are available at <https://rsassociation.com> and will be consolidated with the club SI's appropriate to the event. Both documents will be available on the CVLSC WebCollect entry site no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal. A single hard copy of each document will be posted in the registration room on the South-East corner of the ground floor of the clubhouse on the day of the event.

9. Equipment Inspection

9.1. Boats may be inspected at any time.

10. Clothing and Equipment

10.1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

11. Support Boats

11.1. [NP] [DP] Support boats shall not be allowed.

12. Penalty System

12.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. Scoring System

13.1. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.2. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When four or more races are completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score. This changes RRS A.2.

14. Prizes

14.1. Prizes will be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, in each class for first, second and third places.

15. Radio Communication

15.1. [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.



16. Rights to use Names & Likenesses

16.1. Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the RS Class Association without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

17. Risk Statement

17.1. Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

17.2. Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or, anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

17.3. It is for the competitors to decide whether their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going afloat, the competitors confirm that the boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them.

17.4. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the races and the event, and include Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club Ltd, the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

17.5. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

17.6. Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.

18. Invasive Species:

18.1 CVLSC and Bristol Water are committed to the prevention of the spread of invasive species. We are following the Environment Agency and RYA guidelines – 'CHECK CLEAN DRY'

<http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry>

Please make sure your boat has been clean and dry for at least 2 days prior to your arrival. The entry form will require you to self - certify that this is the case. You may be required to check and wash your boat before leaving Chew.

19. Social Arrangements

19.1. An optional evening meal will be available at a cost of £15 and should be booked in advance on the <https://webcollect.org.uk/cvlsc/event/rs100-rs700-inlands-evening-meal-2023>.

19.2. Further refreshments and lunch are available with Antonia's Deli (<https://www.antonias-deli.com>) at the club and additional evening meals for non-sailing family and friends will be available on the evening of the 11th for £15.

19.3. Camper vans may be permitted on site on Sat 11th night only if pre-booked through Paul Nichols (contact details above). There will be a fee of £10