



NOTICE OF RACE

Highcliffe Sailing Club Ladies Open Meeting 15th June 2019

The Organising Committee (OA) is Highcliffe Sailing Club (HSC) working in collaboration Royal Yachting Association (RYA)

1. RULES

1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. Competitors should note that the organizing authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, or on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules.

2. FORMAT AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Time	Race / Event
Saturday 15th June 2019	17:30	Competitors Briefing
	18:30	Race 1
	ASAP after race 1	Race 2
	20:30	Prize giving and Prosecco

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to all classes of boats able to sail in the Christchurch Harbour.
Before commencing to race, all competitors shall have paid the required entry fee and signed on for the event.

4. FEES £5

This entry fee includes a glass of Prosecco at the Prize giving.
Boat and trailer storage either in Highcliffe Sailing Club dinghy park or Mundeford Quay.
Charged car parking is available in Mundeford Quay council car park. Free car parking is available 10 minutes' walk from the quay.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Christchurch Harbour.
All launching shall be through HSC Dinghy Park (unless sailing around from Christchurch Sailing Club or Mundeford Sailing Club)
Races will last approximately 45 minutes.

6. THE COURSE

Boats will race over a course to be briefed on the afternoon, or by default on a square course.
The course will be displayed on a black board in HSC entrance hall and on a black board on the Committee Boat.
The number of laps shall be displayed on the black board in HSC entrance hall and on the Committee Boat

7. MARKS

1. The course will be marked by yellow inflatable cylinder buoys.

2. The starting mark shall be a red/orange pin and the start shall be between the pin and the staff on the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag.
3. The finish line shall be between a yellow pin and the staff on the Committee Boat flying a blue flag

8. **THE START**

1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the start mark described in 7.2

9. **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and the buoy at the port end as described in 7.3

10. **SCORING**

1. The low points scoring system, Rule A2 will be used.
2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11. **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

1. A boat that retires from a race shall inform the race committee as soon as possible and before leaving the race area and shall notify the race office at once on coming ashore.
2. If any one of the race signals AP over A, AP over H, N over H, or N over A is made on a race committee boat, all boats shall return to shore immediately.
3. While afloat competitors must wear adequate personal buoyancy under all circumstances.

12. **SUPPORT BOATS**

1. While afloat competitors All support boats shall be registered with the OA before launching.
2. Except in case of emergency, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 50 meters outside areas where boats are racing and shall not communicate with boats from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
3. Support boats should be prepared to offer assistance to competing boats in the event of adverse weather if requested to do so by the race committee

13. **TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty of breaking rule 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

14. **PRIZES**

Prizes shall be awarded at the prize giving ceremony in the club house on the evening of the event.

15. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.