



**Notice of Race**  
**Entries are invited for our**  
**Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club Regatta Weekend**  
**including:**  
**Blaze Northern Championship, Solution Inland**  
**Championship, RS Aero and Europe Open Events**  
  
**On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September '23**

## 1. Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

## 2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 The final draft Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and available on the Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club WebCollect event page. See <https://webcollect.org.uk/llsc> and select this event.

## 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The Regatta Weekend is an open event open to all mono hull sailing dinghies less the 21 feet in length.
- 3.2 The class open events are open to Blaze, Solution, RS Aero, International Europe class compliant dinghies.
- 3.3 Entry is online only- cash on the day will **not** be accepted.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online via WebCollect. See <https://webcollect.org.uk/llsc> and select this event.
- 3.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

## 4. Fees

- Double-Handed £20 (single day),  
£25 (all weekend)
- Single-Handed £15 (single day),  
£20 (all weekend)
- Juniors (U18) Double-Handed £15 (single day),  
£20 (all weekend)
- Junior (U18) Single-Handed £12 (single day),  
£15 (all weekend)

Online entry **only** before the event.

## 5. Schedule

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September '23 for the two day events, and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> only for the RS Aero event.
- 5.2 There will be 6 races scheduled over the two days. 3 races on Saturday and again 3 races on Sunday.
- 5.3 Saturday:  
Registration in the club house at the welcome desk.

Brunch

There will be a competitor briefing at **12:20hrs**,

The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race at **12.57am**.

2x races back to back then short break.

1x race followed by Prize giving.

Fun events will take place throughout the day, incl Raft build & race; bottle raft race; novice race; etc.

Evening entertainment including, early family friendly team quiz; evening entertainment (tba).

Sunday:

Breakfast,

There will be a competitor briefing at **10:20hrs**.

The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race at **10:27hrs**.

1x race followed by lunch

1x race followed by short break

1x race, followed by Prize giving.

- 5.4** Fleet starts will be determined based on the number of entries and will be published with SI on Saturday morning.
- 5.5** This is subject to change.

## **6. Clothing and Equipment**

- 6.1** RRS 40.1 is changed as follows: Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal floatation devices. Flag Y will not be displayed.

## **7. Venue**

- 7.1** The location of Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club is Green Lane, Off Sandy Lane, Lowton, Warrington. WA3 1BJ. All races will take place on Pennington Flash. Directions to the club can be found on the club website [www.llsc.org.uk](http://www.llsc.org.uk).

## **8. Scoring**

- 8.1** 1 race is required to constitute a series
- 8.2** When fewer than 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When 3 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 8.3** Rule A5.3 applies
- 8.5** The RS Aero fleet will be scored using PY handicaps.

## **9. 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;
- 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 for the event.

#### **10. Insurance**

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

#### **11. Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded to at least the first boat.

#### **12. Privacy Statement**

The personal information you provide to the organizing 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 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 organizing 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.

#### **13. Cancellation**

If cancellation is required due to weather or any other unforeseen event, then where possible this will be notified via the <http://llsc.org.uk/> website at least 24 hours before the start time for the event. Any refunds can be requested via our club treasurer.

#### **14. Further Information**

Camping is available **free** of charge for all.  
For further information please contact [sailing@llsc.org.uk](mailto:sailing@llsc.org.uk).

#### **15. Social**

Visitors are welcome to arrive on Friday. There will be an open bar in the clubhouse on Friday. Family friendly fun entertainment is planned throughout Saturday and through to Sunday.