



**Notice of Race**  
Entries are invited for  
**Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club Open Regatta Weekend**  
including:  
**Wayfarer Northern Championship and Solution Open Meeting**

**On Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August & Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024**

## 1. Rules

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024*.

## 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 than 21 feet in length.
- 3.2 The class open events are open to Wayfarer and Solution 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),  
£35 (all weekend)  
Single-Handed £15 (single day),  
£25 (all weekend)  
Juniors (U18) Double-Handed £15 (single day),  
£30 (all weekend)  
Junior (U18) Single-Handed £10 (single day),  
£20 (all weekend)

Entry fee for LLSC members is free for both days of the Regatta Weekend.

## 5. Schedule

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August & Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024
- 5.2 There will be 6 races scheduled over the two days. 3 races on Saturday and 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 **12:57hrs**.

There will be 2 races back to back then a short break before the final race of the day, followed by Prize giving for the Regatta Fleets.

Fun events will take place throughout the day, including 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 **10:57hrs**.

1 race followed by lunch, then 2 races, back to back, followed by Prize giving for the Solution, Wayfarer and Regatta Fleets.

There will not be a warning signal on the Sunday later than **16:00hrs**.

- 5.4** Fleet starts for the Regatta fleets will be determined based on the number of entries. Provisional fleets will be published with the Sailing Instructions but may be revised on Saturday morning and Sunday morning by a published change to the Sailing Instructions with confirmation at the competitors' briefing.

## **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 for all fleets.
- 8.2** For the Regatta fleets: When fewer than 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 8.3** For the Wayfarer and Solution fleets: When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When 4 races or more 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

## **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 in each identified fleet.

#### **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.