



Notice of Race
Entries are invited for the
Regatta Weekend, including the Miracle Open &
Optimist NW Area
Organised by Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club
On 12th/13th July 2014

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*

1.1 The racing rules will be changed as follows:

1.1.1 Appendix 4.2 is changed so that a boat that does not finish a race shall be scored the points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats starting the race

1.1.2 Rule 40 changed so that personal buoyancy must be worn at all times when afloat.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. Advertising

Advertising will be Category C in accordance ISAF regulation 20

3. Fees

Entries should be made online before the event through a link on the news item to webcollect - <https://webcollect.org.uk/llsc>, please follow instructions on the site. A discount for those entering this way **before the 7th July** will be available with the resultant entry fees below:

Single Day: Double Hander £15

Single Day: Single Hander £10

Single Day: Junior £8

Full Weekend: Double Hander £25

Full Weekend: Single Hander £17

Full Weekend: Junior £14

Online entry before the 5th July entitles helm (and crew if applicable) to one free Regatta T-shirt per person! One lucky on-line entrant will also have their entry fee refunded in a Saturday night raffle – but you have to be at the draw to claim your prize!

Entry fees online on or after the 10th July or made at the club on the day of the Regatta will be at a premium.

Single Day: Double Hander £18

Single Day: Single Hander £12

Single Day: Junior £11

Full Weekend: Double Hander £30

Full Weekend: Single Hander £18

Full Weekend: Junior £16

4. Schedule

Registration: from 10:00 Saturday and 09.30 Sunday

Briefing: 11.15 Saturday, 10.15 Sunday

Saturday 12th July: Warning signal for the first fleet for race 1: 1157, races 2 & 3 to follow.

Sunday 13th July: Warning signal for the first fleet for race 4: 1057, races 5 & 6 to follow.

5. Sailing Instructions

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be available on line and at registration. Courses will be advised in the sailing instructions, but include provision for asymmetric windward-leeward if enough entries.

6. Scoring

1 race is required to constitute a series. With the exceptions noted below, the two days will be scored separately. When less than 3 races have been completed there will be no discards and all races will count. When 3 races have been completed one discard will be allowed. The overall winner across all fleets will be determined as the lowest points score over all 6 races – the John Barnes Trophy.

Exceptions: Optimist NW Areas/Miracle Open will be raced over 2 days. When 3 races or less have been sailed, all results will count towards the final score. When 4 or more races have been sailed, one discard will be allowed.

7. Venue

7.1 The location of Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club is Green Lane, Off Sandy Lane, Lowton, Warrington, WA3 1BJ. Directions to the club can be found on the club website www.llsc.org.uk.

7.2 The racing area will be on Pennington Flash.

8. Courses

The courses to be sailed will be described in the event appendix available at registration

9. Prizes

As a minimum, prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each fleet.

10. Insurance

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

11. Disclaimer of Liability

The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and the crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither these sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The race organisers, who are the Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club, and Race Committee, shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

12. Cancellation

If cancellation is required due to weather or any other unforeseen event, then this will be notified via the website at least 24 hours before the start time for the event.

13. Further Information

For further information please visit the club website at www.llsc.org.uk or contact Alex Morrison at alexmorrison2@aol.com