



Notice of Race

Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club invites entries for:

**1x day RS Aero Open on Saturday 19th September '26
&
2x day National Solo Northerns Open
on
Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th September '26**

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028*.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 The final draft Sailing Instructions will be available on the Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club WebCollect event page, any last minute changes will be posted on the notice board on Saturday 19th September and. See <https://webcollect.org.uk/llsc> and select this event.

3. Eligibility and Entry

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

4. Fees

Single-Handed £16 (single day),
£26 (all weekend)
Junior (U18) Single-Handed £16 (single day),
£21 (all weekend)
Entry fee for **LLSC members have a 50% discount for both days.**

5. Schedule

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th September 2026
5.2 For the RS Aero fleet, there will be 3 races scheduled on Saturday.
5.3 For the National Solo fleet there will be 6 races scheduled over the two days. 3 races on Saturday and 3 races on Sunday.

5.4 Saturday:

Registration in the club house at the welcome desk.
There will be a competitor briefing at **11:20hrs**,
The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race at **11:57hrs**.
Race 1 will be before lunch.
From **14:00hrs** Races 2 and 3 will be run back to back.
Prize giving for the RA Aero fleet will take place after the fleet is ashore.
18:00hrs Evening meal for the National Solo fleet (subsidized by NSCA).

Sunday:

Breakfast,
competitor briefing at **09:50hrs**, if required.
The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for race four is at **10:27hrs**.
Followed by race 5 back to back
lunch, then the final race,
Prize giving for the Solo fleet will take place after the fleet is ashore.

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 flotation 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.

8. Scoring

- 8.1** 1 race is required to constitute a series for all fleets.
8.2 For the RS Aero fleet: When fewer than 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores, excluding her worst score.
8.3 For the National Solo fleet the weekend will be scored with a combined set of results from the two days to count for the Northerns. Providing at least 4 of the 6 races have been sailed, her worst score will be excluded.
8.4 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.