

Notice of Race Entries are invited for the RNLI Trophy Day Organised by Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club On 31st March 2019

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020
- Racing Rules 35, A4 and A5 are changed as follows: A time limit of 75 minutes for the first boat to finish will be imposed. If the leading boat finishes in this time, the time will be extended by a further 20 minutes. Boats not finishing within this time limit will be scored in their observed positions on the course or last mark rounding position if recorded.
- 1.3 Rules 61.3 and 62.2 are changed as follows: The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the protesting competitor has finished the session in which the incident occurred or 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress.]
- **1.4** Rule 40 is changed as follows: Personal Buoyancy must be worn at all times when on the water. Flag Y will not be displayed.

2. Fees

Entry is free for Leigh & Lowton Sailing Club members. Entry fees for Visitors are:

	Cash entry on the day	Online Entry
Doublehander	£18.00	£15.00
Singlehander	£12.00	£10.00
Junior Doublehander	£12.00	£10.00
Junior Singlehander	£9.00	£8.00
Mixed Doublehander*	£9.00	£8.00
Mixed Junior Doublehander*	£6.00	£5.00

^{*} Mixed is one LLSC member and 1 visitor sailing together For Junior double handers, both sailors must be under 18.

Online entry at http://webcollect.org.uk/llsc closes 3 days before the day

3. Schedule

Registration: from 10.00. Briefing: 11.15

There will be up to 3 races.

Warning signal for first race scheduled at 11:57am.

Races 2 and 3 will be back to back after lunch.

The Race Officer may amend the schedule on the day.

4. Sailing Instructions

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be displayed at registration and online.

5. Courses

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

6. Scoring

There will be separate results for the following fleets: Asymmetric, Handicap and Junior (Under 18), with PY handicaps applying to all fleets. Fleets may be merged depending on the number of entries.

When 3 or more races have been completed, there will be 1 discard.

7. Insurance

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

8. Risk Statement

Rule 4 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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.

9. Cancellation

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