

# CLYDE CRUISING CLUB DINGHY SECTION

## NOTICE OF RACE 2024



The CCC Dinghy Section will hold three series of racing in 2024:

- **Spring Series**                    **18<sup>th</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> May (7 weeks)**
- **Summer Series**                    **6<sup>th</sup> June to 25<sup>th</sup> July (8 weeks)**
- **Autumn Series**                    **1<sup>st</sup> August to 12<sup>th</sup> September (7 weeks)**

**All Series will take place on Thursday evenings at Bardowie Loch.**

### 1. RULES

CCC Dinghy Section is the Organizing Authority for the Club Series and races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-24, the prescriptions of the RYA, this Notice of Race, the rules of the club and the Sailing Instructions.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

Racing is open to all members of the Dinghy Section who have attained RYA level 2 or equivalent. Guests of members may race but not qualify for a series unless they join the club. There is no entry fee. All private boats must be insured for full racing risks and third-party risks for not less than £2,000,000.

### 3. CLASSES

Results will be on a handicap basis using the published PY handicaps. Where there are more than 3 entries in a single class there will be a class prize as well as a placing for the overall series.

Results for each series will contribute to the Club Championship.

### 4. ENTRY

Helms are responsible for ensuring that the Race Officer of the day is aware of their sail number.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF STARTS

#### 5.1 Spring and Summer Series

There shall be two races of approximately 45 minutes each, conditions permitting. The first race shall start at 7:15pm with the second race to start no later than 8:15pm

#### 5.2 Autumn Series

There shall be two races of approximately 45 minutes each, conditions permitting. The first race shall start at 7:00pm with the second race to start no later than 8:00pm. From 5<sup>th</sup> September the second race may not be held at the judgement of the Race Office, depending on prevailing light and wind.

## 6. SCORING SYSTEM

The Low Point System RRS Appendix A4 shall apply. Results will be calculated for each class and general handicap; handicaps are calculated using average lap times, based on the current Plymouth Yardstick Scheme.

Competitors will only be included in a series by competing in the same design of boat for more than 50% of that series.

Where a boat races with different rigs, which would otherwise have different handicaps, all results will be calculated on the basis of the lower (faster) handicap. Points are allocated to helms; crews of double-handed boats may be changed during the series.

Discards shall be based on the number of races completed as below:

1 to 6 races	0 discards
7 to 12 races	2 discards
12+ races	4 discards

Competitors shall be awarded average points when covering Race Officer or Steward duties.

Competitors not starting (DNS), not finishing the course (DNF), retiring (RTD) or being disqualified (DSQ) shall be scored as number of entries that came to the starting area plus one.

Competitors not coming to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored as number of entries in the series plus one.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the Bardowie Racing WhatsApp Group.

## 8. 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 inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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.
- 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.