



INVITATION and NOTICE OF RACE

Scottish Challenger Traveller Series 2023 (T1)

29 and 30 April, 2023

Sponsored by Sir Boyd Tunnock (MBE) of Tunnocks, Uddingston.

1. Organising Authority - Annandale Sailing Club in association with Sailability Scotland SCIO.

2. Rules

- 2.1.** Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the Challenger Class Rules, this Notice of Race and such other rules as the Sailing Instructions may prescribe. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall override the Notice of Race.
- 2.2.** All Challengers must have grab lines of free specification fixed to each sponson and a suitable tow line of free specification fixed to the bow and long enough to be led back to the cockpit and handled by the sailor.
- 2.3.** A Challenger Hull is defined thus - A boat's Hull shall consist of a central main hull, plus port and starboard sponsons bolted together with two aluminium tubular crossbeams.
- 2.4.** Racing Rules will be changed as follows:-
 - Rule 27.1 & 40 Personal buoyancy will be worn at all times whilst on or near the water.
 - Rule 41 A boat racing is permitted to receive outside help from Official Patrol Boats for any reason other than added propulsion.
 - Rule 44.1 RRS Part 2 infringements shall incur a ONE-turn penalty.
 - Rule 49 Helm and crew shall remain seated in their normal positions within the main hull or upon a Buddy Seat, unless in an emergency.

3. Advertising

Advertising will be controlled as per World Sailing Regulation 20 - 'Advertising Code' and as per any requirements of the Event Sponsor.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1.** The event is open to the Challenger Class of dinghy. Other Classes may be sailing at the discretion of the host venue.
- 4.2.** The entry may be split into Gold, Silver and Bronze Fleets.
 - 4.2.1.** Experienced and able-bodied sailors will sail solo in the Gold Fleet.
 - 4.2.2.** Less experienced Sailors with a disability will sail solo in the Silver Fleet at the discretion of the Race Committee if there is sufficient entry to justify a separate fleet.
 - 4.2.3.** Sailors with a disability requiring a buddy will sail in the Bronze Fleet.

4.2.4. If 2 or fewer sailors register for any fleet, the organisers reserve the right to consolidate that fleet with another.

4.3. Pre-entry.

4.3.1. Full Members of the host venue, Sailability Scotland, and The Challenger Class Association living outwith Scotland making a £15.00 non-refundable pre-entry will be entitled to assistance with the entry fee from sponsorship received from Sir Boyd Tunnock of Tunnocks, Uddingston. In addition, competitors making a pre-entry now for all 6 Traveller Events will only need to pay £75.00 for all the event entry fees, that is getting one free.

4.3.2. Pre-entry form is available on link -

<http://www.sailabilityscotland.org.uk/entryform.html>

Parent or Guardian of under 18 year old competitors to countersign entry forms.

4.3.3. Pre-entry Payment of £15.00 or £75.00 (for all 6 events) can be made by PayPal or Credit/Debit Card via this link - <http://www.sailabilityscotland.org.uk/Shop.html>

4.4. Late entries after Sunday 23 April 2023 may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser. However, there will be an additional late entry fee of £10.00 and you will be required to pay your own entry fee of £30.00 in full direct to the club.

4.5. Advance entries from non-members may be made to the event organiser or Sailability Scotland SCIO using the entry form available on the web pages and accompanied by a payment of £30.00.

5. Schedule

5.1. Racing will take place on Saturday 29 April 2023 and Sunday 30 April 2023.

5.2. Competitors register at 0900 to 1000.

5.3. Briefing will be at 1015 in the clubhouse.

5.4. The event will be a 5 race regatta held over 2 days.

5.5. Regatta start times:

Sat The first race will start at 1100 (will not be before this time)
Lunch will be followed by
Races 2 & 3 back-to-back, time to be announced.

Sun Races 4 & 5 back-to-back, start 1000 (will not be before this time)
Prize-giving as soon as possible after racing (time to be announced).

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be made available to all competitors at registration and may be published prior on the Venue's and Sailability Scotland's websites.

7. Starting Procedure and Courses to be Sailed

7.1. Starting Procedure will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

7.2. Race courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions and at the sailor's Briefing(s).

8. Scoring System

8.1. The scoring system to be used will be as in RRS Appendix A using the Low Point system.

8.2. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.3. Races to count

8.3.1. When up to 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

8.3.2. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total

of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 8.4.** Race results will be scored in overall finishing order regardless of fleet. Gold, Silver and Bronze Fleet results may be extracted for prize giving purposes - they shall be extracted from the overall results and not scored separately.

9. Venue

9.1. Annandale Sailing Club, Lochmaben, Lockerbie DG11 1NN.

9.1.1. Click to locate the club on Google Maps:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Lockerbie+DG11+1NN/@55.1236227,-3.4388987,16z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m6!3m5!1s0x487d4a2fcaa20635:0xb3add8489f5152b9!8m2!3d55.1253338!4d-3.4337017!16s%2Fg%2F1tdj3s7l?hl=en>

9.1.2. Directions from the M74:

Exit the motorway at the Lockerbie exit. Follow the A709 signposted to Dumfries for 4 miles. You will see Castle Loch to your left-hand side. You will see a number of houses on the left-hand side. At the last house, turn left, before you enter Lochmaben.

9.1.3. Directions from Dumfries.

Follow the A709 signposted towards Lockerbie. Drive through the village of Lochmaben. just before you leave Lochmaben on the A709 towards Lockerbie you will see the sailing club on the right hand side. The turning into the sailing club is on the right immediately after the clubhouse and immediately before the final 4 houses on the right.

9.2. The club grounds will be open for access on Friday 28 April from 1400 to 1800.

9.3. Accommodation and camping details in the local area.

9.3.1. Camping:

Kirk Loch Caravan Park is situated in the centre of Lochmaben.

<https://www.campsites.co.uk/search/campsites-in-scotland/dumfries-and-galloway/lochmaben/kirk-loch-caravan-park>

9.3.2. Hotels in Lochmaben

[The Crown Hotel.](#)

9.3.3. Hotels in Dumfries

[Travelodge, Annan Road, Collin, Dumfries, GB DG1 3SE](#) (9.3 miles from Lochmaben).

[Premier Inn, Annan Road, Collin, Dumfries, GB DG1 3JX](#) (9.3 miles from Lochmaben).

9.3.4. Hotels in Lockerbie:

[The Kings Arms Hotel,](#)

[Cressfield County Hotel,](#)

[Somerton House Hotel,](#)

[Bishopcleugh Bed and breakfast,](#)

[The Hightae Inn,](#)

[OYO Dryfesdale Hotel,](#)

[Sure Hotel by Best Western Lockerbie,](#)

9.3.5. Hotels in Annan:

[Queensberry Arms Hotel, Annan.](#)

9.4. Lochmaben village

The club is located 5 minutes walk away from the centre of Lochmaben, which has local amenities, including shops, cafes, take-aways, public houses, hotels, and a campsite.

10. Catering

10.1 An evening meal for a booking of 10 has been made at the Crown Hotel, Lochmaben for 1900 on Saturday 29 April, 2023. The hotel has asked diners to pre-order. Menus will be available from the Sailability Scotland SCIO website. Orders to be returned to Stephen Thomas Bate by email: commodore@annansail.co.uk

10.2 Sandwiches, soup and hot and cold drinks will be available at the club on Saturday and Sunday with a nominal charge to sailors.

11. Visual Images Consent

By signing the entry form, competitors grant the Organising Authority or their agents, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use, show or publish any motion pictures, still pictures and live or recorded coverage in any media, of or relating to the Regatta, unless they have advised the organising authority otherwise, in writing prior to the event.

12. Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive telephone or radio communications not available to all other boats.

13. Prizes

Awards will be made to 1st, 2nd and 3rd. and other prizes at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

14. Liability

A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

It is for the boat to decide whether it is fit to sail in the prevailing conditions. By launching, the boat confirms that it is fit for the conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

A boat is required to hold adequate insurance and, in particular, to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3m for the duration of the event.

Nothing done by the organisers and their agents can reduce the responsibility for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the event. The organisers encompass everybody helping to run the races and the event, including the organising authority, race committee, Race Officers, patrol boat crews and beach masters.

The provision of Patrol Boats does not absolve any boat of its responsibilities.

15. Contacts and Event Organisers

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