

LOCH VENACHAR SAILING CLUB
in association with
SAILABILITY SCOTLAND

INVITATION and NOTICE OF RACE

**Scottish Open Challenger Championship 2019
& Scottish Challenger Traveller Series TT3
8th and 9th June 2019**

Organising Authority

Loch Venachar Sailing Club in association with Sailability Scotland.

Rules

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the appropriate 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.

All Challengers must have a grab line of free specification fixed to each sponson and a tow line of free specification fixed to the bow and long enough to be led back to the cockpit and handled by the sailor.

Racing Rules will be changed as follows:-

Rule 27.1 & 40 Personal buoyancy will be worn at all times whilst on or in the water.

Rule 41 A boat is permitted to receive outside help from 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.

Entries

The event is open to the Challenger Class of boat.

Classes will include able bodied and sailors with a disability sailing in solo (Gold & Silver) and pillion (Bronze) fleets. Able bodied sailors must sail in the Gold fleet.

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

Entries should be made using the entry form up to and including registration.

The entry fee is £30. Cheques should be made payable to LVSC.

Advance entries may be made by post to the Event Organiser using the Entry Form available on both Sailability Scotland and LVSC web pages and accompanied by a cheque for **£30.00**.

Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organiser. There will be an additional late entry fee of £10 for entries submitted after 31 May 2019.

Members of LVSC and Sailability Scotland making £10 non-refundable pre-entry may be entitled to assistance with the entry fee from sponsorship received from Boyd Tunnock of Tunnocks, Uddingston.

Pre-entry form link-

<http://www.sailabilityscotland.org.uk/media/other/32393/PreEntryForm2019.docx>

Non Members and Entries on the day will be taken at the discretion of the host club and required to pay their own entry fee.

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| Programme | <p>Racing will take place on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 June 2019. Competitors may register at LVSC clubhouse from 09.00hrs Briefing will be at 10.00hrs The event will be a 5 race regatta held over 2 days. Start times -</p> <p>Sat 8th First Race start at 11.00hrs Lunch 13.00hrs Races 2&3 back to back start 14.30hrs Evening Meal 18.00hrs</p> <p>Sun 9th Races 4&5 back to back start 10.30hrs Lunch 12.30hrs Helpers race 14.00hrs Prizegiving 16.00hrs</p> |
| Venue | <p>LVSC on Invertrossachs road on the South side of Loch Venachar nr Callander FK17 8HP. Arrangements for access to the club site before Sat 8th and regarding use of limited camping facilities on site should be made in advance with the event organiser. There are a number of hotels and guesthouses in the area which is a popular holiday destination.</p> |
| Catering | <p>Normal tea/coffee, soup rolls etc will be available on both days. There will be an evening meal at the clubhouse on Saturday evening which will be free for Competitors and helpers. Whatever early indication that can be given re numbers will be greatly appreciated.</p> |
| Visual Images Consent | <p>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.</p> |
| Courses to be Sailed | <p>Race courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions and at the sailors Briefing(s). Shore starts are normal at LVSC.</p> |
| Scoring System | <p>The scoring system to be used will be as in RRS Appendix A using the Low Point system. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series When up to 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores 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. Race results will be scored in overall finishing order regardless of fleet. Gold and Bronze Fleet results may be extracted for prize giving purposes - they shall be extracted from overall results and not scored separately.</p> |
| Radio Communication | <p>Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive telephone or radio communications not available to all other boats.</p> |
| Prizes | <p>Awards will be made to the overall Championship winner and to 1st 2nd and 3rd in each fleet. A prize will also be given to the winner of the Helpers Race.</p> |
| Liability | <p>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.</p> |

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 beachmasters.

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

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