



Blackwater Wayfarer Open

NOTICE OF RACE

Blackwater Sailing Club

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| TITLE | Blackwater Sailing Club Wayfarer Open | COURSES | See attachment 1 of Sailing Instructions |
| DATE | Sat 2 nd & 3 rd September | SCORING | The low points scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If 4 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. |
| ORGANIZING AUTHORITY | Blackwater Sailing Club | 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: |
| VENUE | Blackwater Sailing Club Basin Road, Heybridge, Maldon, Essex CM9 4SD Tel: 01621 853923 www.blackwatersailingclub.org.uk Details of location, directions, facilities and accommodation can be obtained from the contact below. | 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, safety boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities; f) The provision of safety 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 at the venue. | |
| CONTACT | Rob Haigh Blackwater Sailing Club Basin Road, Heybridge, Maldon, Essex CM9 4SD bookings@blackwatersailingclub.org.uk Tel: 07552 694 396 | INSURANCE | All entrants are required to hold third party indemnity insurance with a minimum indemnity of five million pounds Stirling or equivalent for the total period of the event and affirm such cover to the Organizing Authority. Entrants not from the UK need to have the accepted Normal Min. level of liability insurance for their country (this level needs to be displayed to all other competitors). |
| RULES | Races will be governed by the <i>rules</i> as defined in the <i>Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024</i> [RRS], the prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of the UKWA, except as amended in SI's. The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. | | |
| ELIGIBILITY | All boats are expected to conform to the relevant Class rules with respect to measurement and buoyancy requirements. | | |
| ENTRY | Entry should be online via the BSC website https://blackwatersailingclub.org.uk/event-5349806 | | |
| ENTRY FEE | Entry fees for the event are £40 per boat. | | |
| ENTRY LIMIT | 40 boats | | |
| REGISTRATION | In the Clubhouse from 09:00 on Saturday 2nd September. All competitors will be required to produce their valid measurement certificate with current buoyancy endorsement. | | |
| SAILING INSTRUCTIONS | Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration. Copies are also available on the BSC website. Boats and equipment will be subject to scrutiny and/or measurement during the event at the discretion of the Race Committee. | | |
| RACE SCHEDULE | Five races are scheduled; three on Saturday 2nd September, two on Sunday 3rd September. On both days subsequent races will be sailed as soon as possible after the previous race has finished. Saturday 2nd; first warning signal scheduled for 13:45. Sunday 3rd; first warning signal scheduled for 14:30 There will be no warning signal after 16:00 | | |
| STARTS | The starts will be by Committee Boat. Sufficient time should be allowed to sail down river to reach the start area. | | |

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