

Notts County Sailing Club First of the Year Race Geoff Parker and Phil Davies Memorial Trophies

Notice of Race

1st January 2025

1. Rules

1.1. Racing will be held under the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, The Open Meeting Sailing Instructions of NCSC, and the principals and practices of the RYA Racing Charter.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1. Entries will be allowed on the day from 9.00 and must be made prior to 45 minutes prior to the first race start.

2.2. Visitors and NCSC members must complete and sign an Open Meeting Entry Form on the day or enter online via <https://members.ncsc.org.uk/event/887207>

2.3. A competitor under 19 on the 31st December 2024 is classified as a Junior.

2.4. Open to Dinghies with a PY between 894 and 1369 & Windsurfers.

2.5. Sailors aged under eighteen on the first day of the event will need to have the Parent/Guardian Declaration completed and signed by a parent or guardian on the online or paper entry form. This confirms that the parent/guardian understands and accepts that their sailors are entirely responsible throughout the event for themselves and their boats on land and on the water.

2.6. If parent/guardians are not available at the venue, they must appoint loco parentis before the start of the event using this online form.

3. Fees

3.1. Competitors are asked to make a donation to the charity chosen by the Commodore.

4. Schedule

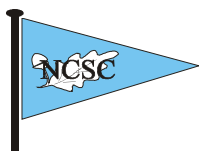
4.1. A briefing will be held outside the clubhouse at 10.30am.

4.2. The 1st warning signal shall not be before 11.25am.

4.3. Two back to back handicap races are intended.

4.4. The fleet will be split into Windsurfers, Fast and Slow dinghy starts. The Fast fleet be for boats with a PY number of 1043 or less. The Slow fleet will be the remaining entries. The Race Officer will detail the starting sequence during the briefing.

4.5. Race time is subject to change and any variation will be posted on the chalk board near the Race Office.



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5. Sailing Instructions

5.1. The First of the Year race Sailing Instructions of NCSC can be downloaded via a link on the club website www.ncsc.org.uk

6. Scoring

6.1. 2024 RYA Portsmouth Yardstick handicaps will be applied, calculating the results on Average lap time.

7. Prizes & Results

7.1. Prizes will be awarded depending on the number of entries.

7.2. The Geoff Parker trophy will be awarded to the overall dinghy winner on handicap, combining the results of the two fleets. The Phil Davies Memorial trophy will be awarded to the winner of whichever dinghy fleet did not include the overall winner. Trophies will be awarded to the winning Adult and Junior Windsurfers.

8. Risk Statement

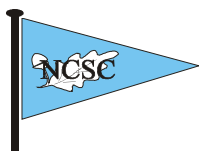
Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 8.1. 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;
- 8.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 8.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 8.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 8.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 8.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- 8.7. 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.

9. Insurance

9.1. All participants shall be listed on an entry form. They or their representative shall pay the entry fee and sign the entry form to confirm that their craft is insured for third party liability to a minimum of £5 million.



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10. Privacy Statement

10.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the events. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

11. Catering

11.1 Food and hot drinks will be available from the Galley prior to racing and at lunchtime.

John Sears Sailing Secretary December 2024