

Seafarers/Lee on the Solent/Hill Head

Inter-Club Winter SLOSHH 2019

**26 January @ Hill Head SC at 13.30; 9th February @Seafarers SC at 13.00;
9th March @ Lee on Solent SC at 13.00**

Notice of Race

The Inter-Club SLOSHH Winter Racing Series will take place on the dates defined above. Each club shall host one event. This NOR sets out the general information regarding the running of these events. This racing series is a friendly series of races and all levels are encouraged to participate.

RULES

The organising authority shall be the host club for that date specified. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except where this NOR specifies differently.

GENERAL

1. A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing whether in the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions she may find herself. By launching and going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit and her crew is competent.
2. The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold cover against third party claims in the sum of not less than £2,000,000 sterling and such insurance will be valid for the persons helming/crewing her.
3. Nothing done by the Organizers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organizers responsible for any loss, damage, personal injury or death, however it may have occurred as a result of the boat taking part in this event. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event and include the organising authority, the Race Officers, Patrol Boat Crews and the Beach Master. The provision of Patrol Boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

There is no entry fee. Entry sheets are to be registered at the entrant's home club. It is the responsibility of the home club to provide the list of entrants to the organising club before the start of the race start time on the day.

Early notification of entries will be appreciated by the organising club.

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS, SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors and any changes to the Sailing Instructions prior to the day of the race will be posted on a notice board at the organising club and/or communicated to those participating via a safety boat on the water at the start line.

BRIEFING

Each Club shall ensure that their sailors are briefed. If you need support in understanding any details then make sure you seek clarification from a club official before taking to the water.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

There shall be two (2) races which will be no longer than 50 minutes each. The format shall be an all in handicap group with one single start. A simple 5-4-1-GO start shall be used.

“O” flag shall be the class Flag.

RACE COURSE AND NUMBER OF LAPS

The Race course and number of laps shall be communicated to the sailors from the starting hut/boat/safety boat on the day of the race. Note that the start line shall differ at each club and it is the responsibility of those participating to make sure they understand this before the race start.

SCORING

The standard RRS low point scoring system shall be used. If the race fleet is very varied in boat speeds, the race officer may choose to run the all-in handicap race in an average lap time style format. This particular format can be used in order to allow novice and less experienced racers participate and be able to receive a finish and not be timed out.

PRIZES AND PRIZE GIVING

Prizes will be awarded at the main SLOSHH Racing Event during the main sailing season.

RYA CHARTER

Competitors should note that the SLOSHH Inter-Club Sailing Clubs implement the RYA Racing Charter. Competitors will be required to sail in compliance with the Charter. This can be found at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter

Notes for Sailing Club Officials before each event:

- 1. VHF Channels: All stations should use channel M2 (P4).**
- 2. Each Club shall ensure that their sailors are briefed with the necessary details.**
- 3. If a sailor retires during the race and needs assistance, that boat should be brought into the hosting club slipway and NOT be taken back to the home club – to do otherwise could compromise safety cover.**
- 4. Each club shall produce a sign-on sheet and capture the following details:**
 - a. Class of Boat**
 - b. Helm Name**
 - c. Crew Name**
 - d. Class PY**
 - e. Signature to confirm they accept the Sailing Instructions**