



DYS Notice of Series 2023

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During 2023, Derbyshire Youth Sailing are organising a Youth Open series on various dates consisting of eleven, one day events. These events will be hosted by Derbyshire Sailing Clubs and Rudyard Sailing Club. The events will be organised by each Sailing Club at their own premises. The organising authority for each event will be the sailing club of the event and Derbyshire Youth Sailing. By signing in at an event, sailors and their supporting adults and families will become temporary members of the hosting club for the day of the event.

Series dates are provided below and are correct at time of publication but subject to possible change. Please confirm the event date on the Derbyshire Youth Sailing website www.dysailing.org prior to travelling to each event:

22 nd April	Burton SC	www.burtonsailingclub.co.uk
29 th April	Toddbrook SC (at Combs SC)	www.toddbrooksailingclub.org.uk
13 th May	Ogston SC	www.ogstonsc.org
20 th May	Errwood SC	www.errwoodsailing.co.uk
10 th June	Combs SC	www.combsailingclub.co.uk
24 th June	Glossop & District SC	www.sail-glossop.co.uk
8 th July	Trent Valley SC	www.trentvalleysc.org
15 th July	Rudyard SC	www.rudyardlakesc.org.uk
9 th September	Carsington SC	www.carsingtonsailingclub.co.uk
16 th September	Staunton Harold SC	www.shsc.org.uk
21 st October	Swarkestone SC	www.swarkestonesc.co.uk

The Burton SC event is also a Leicestershire and Rutland Inter-County event.

Series prize Giving will take place on 21st October, after the Swarkestone SC event.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The events will be governed by the rules defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024
- 1.2. The Rules of each Sailing Club and the requirements of any landowners providing premises for the organising Sailing Club will apply.
- 1.3. Competitors should note that DYS implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules.
- 1.4. The Post-Race Penalty (30%), Advisory Meeting and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to <https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/rules-disputes>).
- 1.5. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race before a period ashore (i.e., before lunch or before the end of the day).

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1. The series is open to all “eligible” sailors and sailors from “Associated Clubs” as defined in the DYS constitution. Sailors must be under 19 on 31st August 2023 and may compete in any boat that has a current RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap Number of between 1000 and 1650. Boats with a handicap number not in this range, may be permitted to compete with prior approval of the DYS committee and should contact the organising

authority at least two weeks in advance of an event where they want to compete in order to seek this approval.

- 2.2. The committee will agree handicap numbers for boats not listed on the RYA 2023 Portsmouth Yardstick list, or boats which differ from their class regulations.
- 2.3. There is no pre-registration for entering the Series. Entering any of the individual events is adjudged to be an entry into the Series for “Eligible” and “Associated Club” sailors
- 2.4. Pre-registration for each event is a requirement and must be done via the Derbyshire Youth Sailing website www.dysailing.org at least 6 days prior to the event. Pre-registration assists the organisers to be aware of potential entry numbers, to arrange appropriate resources and to plan for the event. Payment is not required until the day of the event.
- 2.5. To be eligible to be awarded series prizes, a boat must also have: -
 - 2.5.1. Complied with the requirements of Section 8 regarding boat class, rig type and helm & crew combinations throughout the series, and,
 - 2.5.2. Competed in a minimum of the number of events as follows:
 - 2.5.2.1. Where 9 or more events occur, compete in at least 5 events.
 - 2.5.2.2. Where 8 or 7 events occur, compete in at least 4 events.
 - 2.5.2.3. Where between 6 and 4 events occur, compete in at least 3 events.
 - 2.5.2.4. Where fewer than 4 events occur, compete in all events that occur.
 - 2.5.3. Competitors can only qualify once for the series.
 - 2.5.4. 3 events are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 2.6. Sailors who are not “eligible” or from an “Associated Club” may compete as guests at any of the series events, subject to prior agreement through the registration process and up to a maximum of three events per Series. They will be eligible to win the event trophy, but will not be entered into the Series. If a sailor’s circumstances change during the series and they then become “eligible” or join an “Associated Club” they can then enter the DYS “Race Series” at this point, but only their results subsequent to this change will count.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Required fees per boat are as follows (payable on the day):

Single handed	£15 per event
Double handed	£20 per event

- 3.2. For families with more than 1 sibling entering an event, the fees above will apply to the first sibling and then the fee for any further siblings will be £10 per boat per event.
- 3.3. Most clubs have boats which can be borrowed for the event. This must be requested through the on-line pre-registering form via the Derbyshire Youth Sailing website www.dysailing.org at least 6 days prior to the event. For a sailor’s first ever DYS event away from their home club, DYS will cover any donation that the club may require. Requests for DYS to cover the donation must be sent to admin@dysailing.org before the event.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Registration for each event is intended to commence at 09:00 on the day of the event and will close at the warning signal of the last race of the event.

- 4.2. A competitors briefing is intended to commence at 10:30am on the morning of each event.
- 4.3. The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race of each event is 11:00am.
- 4.4. The intended schedule is for three races to be sailed at each event. The typical intended schedule is for one race before a break for lunch and then two races sailed back-to-back after lunch. Event prize giving will occur as soon as possible after racing is completed.
- 4.5. Any changes to these intentions will be notified at registration or during the competitors briefing.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1. Generic Sailing Instructions will be provided by each of the sailing clubs and will be available on their website.

6. COURSES

- 6.1. Course details will be advised at the competitors briefing for each event. It is the intention that race courses will be either set round the club marks in an order that forms a simple shape or will be set with inflatable marks in a trapezoidal or triangular shape.

7. SCORING

- 7.1. Scoring for each event will be recorded using Sailwave for all entered boats as an overall group. From these results, positions will also be given for;
 - 7.1.1. A Junior age group, whose helm is in school year up to and including school year 6.
 - 7.1.2. An Intermediate age group whose helm is in school years 7 to 9 inclusive
 - 7.1.3. A Senior age group, whose helm is in school year 10 and above.
- 7.2. The school year will be that which the competitor is in when the series begins at the start of this calendar year and will remain the same for the whole of the series during all of this calendar year.
- 7.3. Series Scoring system is as follows:
 - 7.3.1. Results from each event will be re-scored after removing any Guest sailors and these results will be taken forward to the Series scoring. Series scoring will be recorded for all entered boats as an overall group. From these results, positions will also be given for the three age groups.
 - 7.3.2. A boats' score will be recorded under the helms' name and with the same helm, will be the total of her event scores with discards as below:
 - 7.3.2.1. When there are 9 or more events completed, a boat's score will be the total of her 5 best event scores.
 - 7.3.2.2. When there are 8 or 7 events completed, a boat's score will be the total of her 4 best event scores.
 - 7.3.2.3. When between 6 and 4 events are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her 3 best event scores.
 - 7.3.2.4. When fewer than 4 events are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her event scores.
 - 7.3.2.5. 3 events are required to be completed to constitute a series.

7.3.3. Boat/Class changes during the season will be subject to the regulations in the document 'Rules for Boat Changes', available from the website or from the Secretary.

7.4. Event Scoring system will be as follows:

7.4.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will be used, and one race is required to be completed to constitute an event.

7.4.2. When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boats' event score will be the total of her race scores.

7.4.3. When 3 races have been completed, a boats' event score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

7.4.4. Boat, helm, crew or rig changes during an event can only be made with the permission of the Race Officer. Permission will not be unreasonably withheld and will be decided upon to maintain fairness within the fleet and series.

8. EVENT PRIZES

8.1. Prizes will be given at the discretion of each Sailing Club with the following guidelines:

8.1.1. Each age group will be awarded prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in their group as well as the overall winner

8.1.2. Additional prizes to recognise particular achievements or guest boats may also be awarded.

8.1.3. Prizes may include trophies, medals, mementoes or items of chandlery, clothing or confectionary.

8.1.4. If an overall winner, perpetual Trophy is awarded, then the winner shall arrange and pay for the engraving of their name(s) on a plaque including fixing to the trophy during before the next running of that event. The winner shall return the trophy in time for the next running of the event, in the same condition as which they received it. The winner shall be liable for any repair costs to the trophy, should any damage have occurred.

9. SERIES PRIZES

9.1. Prizes for the Series will be given as follows:

9.1.1. Each Age Group and the Overall Group will be awarded prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed boats in their group which will be an engraved memento such as a medal or small trophy to keep. Crews and helms of double handed boats will each receive a memento.

9.1.2. Each Age Group champion boat will also be awarded a named trophy. The Age Group Trophies will be returned each year to be awarded to the next champions at the AGM and Annual Prize Giving event. There will also be a named trophy for the 1st overall "Eligible" sailor. Each champion shall arrange and pay for the engraving of their name(s) on a plaque including fixing to the trophy during their champion year. Each Champion shall return the trophy in time for the next year's prize giving, in the same condition as which they received it. Each Champion shall be liable for any repair costs to the trophy, should any damage have occurred.

9.1.3. The named trophies are as follows:

Overall "Eligible" sailor	The Derbyshire Shield
Junior Age Group	The Ellen MacArthur Trophy
Intermediate Age Group	The Ben Ainslie Trophy

Senior Age Group

The Andrew Simpson Trophy

- 9.1.4. Each Age group 1st, 2nd and 3rd place sailors will be awarded chandlery vouchers of a value to be agreed by the committee prior to the Annual Prize Giving event.
- 9.1.5. The Saunders Cup will be awarded to the highest placed female helm in the overall group.
- 9.1.6. The Paul Brotherton Cup will be awarded to the highest placed male helm in the overall group.
- 9.1.7. The John Gimson Cup will be awarded to the highest placed "Associated Club" Sailor in the overall group.
- 9.1.8. The Peak Dinghy Spares Trophy will be awarded to the most improved helm (who has not won any of the other series trophies) in the Overall group based on their ranking improvement between two consecutive years of completing an eligible series score.
- 9.1.9. The Derbyshire Schools Centenary Cup will be awarded to the highest placed, first time series qualifier (who has not won any of the other series trophies).
- 9.1.10. A plaque will be awarded to the club whose sailors have participated the most in the series and therefore accumulated most points for their club. Each sailor will be awarded one club point for participating in their home event and 3 club points for participating in any of the other events in the series.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participating in the events of the series do so entirely at their own risk, see RRS rule 4 Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event or series.

11. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 12.1. Boat Decontamination – to help minimise the spread of invasive species, all boats must be washed ensuring decontamination prior to arriving at any of the series events.
- 12.2. Further information about the venues and their events may be found via the Derbyshire Youth Sailing website www.dysailing.org or on the individual sailing club websites.