



# *Notice of Race*

## **Broadstairs Sailing Club**

### **2024 Sailing Season**



1.	The Organising Authority will be the Broadstairs Sailing Club Sailing Sub-Committee.
2.	Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024, RYA Prescriptions and Broadstairs Sailing Club Sailing Instructions. The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration) of the RYA Rules Dispute Procedures will be available.
3.	Members should note that Broadstairs Sailing Club implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024) or at <a href="http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter">www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter</a>
4.	Sailing Instructions will be available on the BSC Website at least one month prior to the start of the season. Racing notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the Race Office and in the Clubhouse.
5.	Club races are open to member's monohull boats of any recognised class. Racing will be on a Handicap basis using the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick System and Average Lap scoring will be used.
6.	If a boat has the availability of more than one rig or sail choice, sailors should declare their preferred choice when registering on Web Collect at the start of the season and this will decide their PY number for series races. For individual races, you will be permitted to select a smaller rig, but this will not make a change to your handicap. Any change to a bigger rig will be treated as a new entry in that series. Members may register the same boat with different rig or sail choices as different entries in a series.
7.	To race in 2024 members will need to complete a registration form which will be valid for all BSC series club races throughout 2024. The registration form can be found on Web Collect or via a link from the Club Website. Registration Forms and boat details should be completed before the start of the season (or by the member's first race) to qualify for series results. (see BSC Sailing Instructions B1.1)
8.	RRS 40.1 (Personal Floatation Devices) shall apply at all times whilst afloat.
9.	The Gold Fleet and Silver Fleet system will be discontinued for all Saturday and Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Series races 2024. All 3 <sup>rd</sup> Series races and results will be run as General Handicap.
10.	At the discretion of the Race Officer the second scheduled race on any given day can be cancelled in favour of a single race. That second race will not be rescheduled. The number of races and races to count in that series will be adjusted accordingly (SI B3).

<b>11.</b>	The 2024 sailing season will comprise the following series and races;		
	<b>Series or Race</b>	<b>Dates</b>	
	Easter Egg Regatta Series	30 <sup>th</sup> March to 1 <sup>st</sup> April	
	Saturday 1st Series	13 <sup>th</sup> April to 25 <sup>th</sup> May	
	Sunday 1st Series	7 <sup>th</sup> April to 26 <sup>th</sup> May	
	Evening Series	25 <sup>th</sup> April to 29 <sup>th</sup> August	
	Golden Spoon Trophy Weekend	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> May	
	OOD choice special course	27 <sup>th</sup> May	
	Saturday 2nd Series	1 <sup>st</sup> June to 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	
	Sunday 2nd Series	2 <sup>nd</sup> June to 18 <sup>th</sup> August	
	Waterloo Trophy (SigneT Open Meeting)	22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	
	Midsummer Regatta	20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> July	
	Water gala race / RNLi fundraiser	24 <sup>th</sup> July	
	Dyson Dash Hospice Race	26 <sup>th</sup> August	
	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Series	7 <sup>th</sup> September to 26 <sup>th</sup> October	
	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Series	1 <sup>st</sup> September to 27 <sup>th</sup> October	
	Late Season Trophy	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> September	
	Full details of the 2024 sailing programme are available on the Club web site <a href="http://www.broadstairssailingclub.com">www.broadstairssailingclub.com</a>		
<b>12.</b>	<b>Risk Statement</b>		
	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 nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each member agrees and acknowledges that:		
(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;	(e)	The provision of a Race Management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
(b)	They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;	(f)	The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances
(c)	They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;	(g)	It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the BSC operating area drawn to their attention in any rules, sailing instructions or bye-laws issued by the Club and to attend any safety briefings.
(d)	Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;	(h)	Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims;

Full details of BSC club racing can be found in the BSC 2024 Sailing Instructions published on  
[www.broadstairssailingclub.com](http://www.broadstairssailingclub.com)

All enquiries should be made to the Sailing Secretary, Peter Noble,  
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