



**KEYHAVEN YACHT CLUB**  
**POINTS SERIES NOTICE OF RACE 2019**

The Organising Authority is the Keyhaven Yacht Club (KYC)

**1. RULES**

The racing will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)2017 to 2020 and the KYC Sailing Instruction as published on the KYC web site.:-

Competitors shall wear adequate personal floatation devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. PFDs shall have a minimum buoyancy level of 50N. Wet suits and dry suits are not PFDs.

Boats racing, sailing to or returning from a race and racing on the river, shall show consideration to non-racing boats, under power or sail, kayaks, rowing skiffs and SUPs navigating in the river and especially the Hurst-Castle Ferries.

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

The Races are open to all members of Keyhaven Yacht Club. In addition, the Commodores Cup Series is open to Hurst Castle Sailing Club and other members of local Yacht or Sailing Clubs; as are open events such as the Easter Regatta, Keyhaven Week, Scow-travelers' series and the Rum Race (which are covered by separate NoR documents).

There will be three fleets for each series:

- Open medium-handicap;
- Scow;
- Slow handicap starting with Scows.

In addition, Novice/Youth races may be held during the Summer Series.

Slow-handicap classes are those with a PYN of 1300 or higher.

**3. ENTRY**

Sign-on/ Sign-off sheets will be used on each day of racing. Entries must be made on the Sign-on sheet on the day of the race and all competitors must sign off after each race. Sailors that fail to sign-on/ sign-off may be scored as DNC for the races held on that day.

All Juniors entering any races will need a completed parental consent form.

**4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions are available on the KYC website.

**5. SERIES, SCORING AND PRIZES**

5.1 The series covered are:

- Spring Series: Open Medium-Handicap
- Spring Series: Scow and Slow-Handicap
- Early Summer Series: Open Medium-Handicap
- Late Summer Series: Open Medium-Handicap

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- Summer Series A: Scow and Slow Handicap
- Summer Series B: Scow and Slow Handicap
- Autumn Series: Open Medium-Handicap
- Autumn Series: Scow and Slow-Handicap
- Evening Series: Open medium handicap
- Evening Series: Scow and Slow-Handicap
- Commodores Cup: Open Medium-Handicap
- Commodores Cup: Scow and Slow-Handicap

The Spring, Early Summer and Late Summer and Autumn Series will usually have 2 races back-to-back in a day.

The Summer Series A and B Scow and Slow Handicap will be run on the same day with the B Series race starting back-to-back with the finishing A Series race. (This is to allow a Scow or Slow Handicap competitor to sail a whole series while only sailing one race a day.)

The race schedule is in the KYC Fixture List.

4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series for the Spring, early Summer, Late Summer, and Autumn series; 3 for the Evening Series and 2 for the Commodores Cup.

**Note that during the Summer Series, it is also planned to hold Novice/Junior racing.**

5.2 Scoring will be as specified in RRS Appendix A

When 4 or more races have been sailed in a series each competitor will be allowed to their worst results:

<i>Races Sailed in Series</i>	<i>Discards</i>
4 +	1
6 +	2
8 +	3
10 +	4
12 +	5
14 +	6
16 +	7
18 +	8

**6. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for each series:

- Average up to 3 starters 1 prize
- Average up to 6 starters 2 prizes
- Average above 6 starters 3 prizes

**6.1 TROPHIES**

Specific trophies will be awarded:

- Snell Trophy for the best Scow results over all the series excluding the Evening Series
- Scowswell Trophy for the best Scow results over all the series by a helm who has not won a series.
- Laser Trophy for the best finishing Laser manufacture dinghy across the Spring, Early Summer, Later Summer and Autumn based on their net scores.
- Open Series for best finishing Open Class dinghies across the Spring, Early Summer, Late Summer and Autumn based on their net scores.

## **7. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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 races, each competitor 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;
- 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, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 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;
- 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 for the event;
- h) The fact that the race committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

## **8. INSURANCE**

Boats are required to be adequately insured, with cover of at least £3 million against third party claims.