



Regional
Junior Championships

Notice of Race

Welsh Regional Championships

26th 27th September 2020

Plas Heli – Laser 4.7/ ILCA 4, RS Feva, General Handicap

Neyland YC – RS Tera

Pembrokeshire Performance Sailing Academy (PPSA) - Topper

3rd 4th October 2020

Plas Heli – Optimist

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The British Youth Sailing (BYS) Welsh Regional Championships at
Plas Heli, Neyland YC, PPSA
The Organising Authority is RYA Cymru Wales in conjunction with
Plas Heli, Neyland YC, PPSA

1. Rules

- 1.1. Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to Competitors from the Organising Authority.
- 1.3. The rules and byelaws of Plas Heli, Neyland YC, PPSA will apply.
- 1.4. Competitors should note that RYA Cymru Wales Events 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 2017-2020), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/racingcharter
- 1.5. The Post Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration, of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. Racing will be for nominated dinghies and windsurfers classes. Fleets may be combined in the event of low entries. Fleets with entries of fewer than 5 boats by the closing date will be reviewed.
- 2.2. **The Championship Fleet** (fleet racing in BYS recognised fleets)
 - 2.2.1. Dinghies will be Optimists, Toppers, RS Tera (Sport and Pro Rigs), Laser 4.7/ ILCA 4 rigs.
 - 2.2.1.1. Competitors in the Topper fleet using the 5.3m² or 4.2m² sails shall be scored as single fleets and as a combined fleet.
 - 2.2.2. Windsurfers will compete on a Bic Techno 293 board in 4 classes within two fleets;
 - 2.2.2.1. Either 4.5 or 5.8 rig (open mast/boom and a sail that must have a maximum of 6 battens and 2 cams).
 - 2.2.2.2. Bic Techno 6.8 or 7.8 rig – age limitations within the International Bic Techno Class Rules apply.

2.2.3. Competitors in the Optimist, Topper, RS Tera (Sport Rig), Laser 4.7/ ILCA 4 shall be under 16 on the 31st December 2020. Competitors in Laser 4.7/ ILCA 4, RS Tera (Pro rig) be under 19 on 31 December 2020

2.2.4. For organisational and safety reasons all entries must be made on the event **online entry form on or before Sunday 17th September 2020**. Entries will not be accepted after this date except at the relevant RPM's & RDO's discretion.

3. Cancellation

3.1. The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76. In the event that the Organising Authority decides to cancel the event, cancel a class or reject an entry they shall give at least 36 hours' notice to the affected competitors, and shall refund the entry fee, less any costs already incurred.

4. Fees

4.1. Entry Fees are as follows:-

Double-hander £55.00

Single-hander £45.00

5. Format

5.1. The intention is to run the racing in a single fleet series.

5.2. The Championships Fleets may require dividing in to flights, if entry numbers dictate this. Details will be given in the Sailing Instructions.

6. Schedule

Registration

6.1. All competitors will need to register. Due to Covid-19 registration may be slightly different this year. More information on how to register will be provided prior to the event.

6.2. If social distancing is still required due to Covid-19 the main fleet briefing will take place via video broadcast the day before racing. If social distancing is reduced the briefing time on Saturday will be posted in the Sailing Instructions.

6.3. **Racing Programme Championship Fleet.** (2 day event)

The detailed programme will be published in the Sailing Instructions. The warning signal for the first race on Saturday 26th September and 3rd October will not be before 10:00am.

7. Measurement

7.1. Random measurement checks of boats and equipment, including personal equipment, may be made at any time during the championship.

8. Sailing Instructions

8.1. Draft sailing instructions will be downloadable from the RYA Cymru Wales events website before the event. Questions on the sailing instructions may be emailed to sarah.mcGovern@ryacymruwales.org.uk. Questions and answers will be on the Official Notice Board at the event.

9. Venue

9.1. Races will be sailed –

9.1.1. Topper – Pembroke Performance Sailing Academy

9.1.2. RS Tera Sport and Pro– Neyland YC

9.1.3. Optimist – Plas Heli

9.1.4. Laser 4.7/ ILCA - Plas Heli

10. The Courses

- 10.1. The course will be described in attachment A of the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2. The Regatta Fleet sailing areas will be described within your session briefings each day.
- 10.3. For windsurfers, course options will be shown in attachment A of the Sailing Instructions.

11. Scoring

- 11.1. For all classes, the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A (RRS) will apply, Rule B8 is deleted (RRS).
- 11.2. Details on Scoring will be issued in the Sailing Instructions.

12. Support Boats

- 12.1. Only official event organisation boats will be allowed to launch from Plas Heli

13. Berthing

- 13.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces in the boat park.

14. Radio Communications

- 14.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. Prizes

- 15.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and will be awarded to sailors to the
 - 1st, 2nd & 3rd boy and 1st, 2nd & 3rd girl for single handed dinghy and windsurfer classes
 - In each category, if 3 or less sailors only 1st will be awarded, 4 sailors 1st and 2nd awarded and 5 or more sailors 1st 2nd and 3rd will be awarded.

16. Rights to use Names and Likenesses

16.1. "Event photography"

Competitors should be aware that photographs and or film may be taken at the event, which may or may not include the competitors. By entering the event, competitors acknowledge that they may appear in such pictures or film, and grant the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, or taped film or television of or relating to the event.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1. All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits, drysuits and windsurfing harnesses are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40.1

18. Risk Statement

Rule 4 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 involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, 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, umpires 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 competitors briefing held at the venue;

19. Insurance

- 19.1. Boats are required to be adequately insured, including insurance against third party claims of at least £3,000,000.

20. Privacy Statement

- 20.1. The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. 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 organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

21. COVID -19 Statement [DP]

- 21.1. By taking part in any of the event covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue COVID-19 procedures. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends rule 60.1(a).

22. Further Information

- 22.1. All material relating to the event including news, detailed schedules, entry lists etc. will be published on www.ryaracingevents.org.uk in due course.

23. Membership & Liability

- 23.1. All visiting competitors and families will be deemed as visiting yachtsmen during the event and as such shall abide by both Club's rules and bye-laws.
- 23.2. Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.

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To be considered for the RYA Cymru Wales Welsh National Squad all sailors must complete the online application process. Applications will be open [Here](#)