



Llandegfedd Sailing Club

Notice of Race

Top Gun Sprint Races One day open events

Introduction – Llandegfedd Sailing Club has been holding one day special events for a number of years about every two months. We have decided to have a different race format of “sprints”. Here, many short races are held, with the results aggregated. We will have one fleet and start to ensure fair racing in the same or similar wind. A simple course is used and only one lap is raced to reduce complexity of recording results.

1. Rules - World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 will apply
2. Racing - is open to all dinghies under 20' long, with a published RYA handicap.
All racing will be as one massed General Handicap fleet
3. Entry process/registration – to be made on the first day of racing at the Watersports Centre, Llandegfedd Reservoir
4. Entry Fee – £5 for Visitors Only (towards the Welsh Water reservoir Permit)
5. Briefing -11:15 on day of event at Water Sports Centre
6. Warning signals – to be at:
 - a. 11:58 on day of event; the subsequent races will be held back-to-back
 - b. Break at about 13:00
 - c. Starting at 14:00, further races will be held back to back. The last race will be started no later than 15:30

The race officer reserves the right to change the schedule of races due to prevailing or forecast weather conditions or other reasons.

7. Sailing Instructions – The current LLSC Sailing Instructions will apply, available on the club website at <http://www.llandegfedd.org.uk> as amended by 11. and 12. below
8. Courses - will be finalised on the day of racing.
 - a. The anticipated course is based on an upwind start from the Committee boat, round a windward mark 1, and then a reach to

another offset windward mark 2. A downwind leg to a leeward mark 3, followed by a reach to a further leeward mark 4 and back to finish at the committee boat. (1, 2, 3, 4, finish)

b. See diagram A at the foot of this NoR.

9. No Sailing Areas – Beyond the yellow Buoys near the dam wall and beyond the yellow buoys in the inlet on the western side of the reservoir (near the fish cages) – if required further details can be provided on the day.
10. Race length typically 10 – 15 minutes depending on conditions.
11. Starts – a **Non Standard 2-1-GO sequence**. This changes SI number 11. There will be one start for all boats.
12. Scoring – See Sailing Instructions. The low points system in RRS Appendix A will apply. Three races are sufficient to constitute a series. If four or more races are held a sailor's highest score will be discarded (one discard) if seven or more races there will be two discards. ALL boats will race against each other.
13. Prizes –
Prizes may be awarded on the day.
14. Distance to start – less than 1 mile
15. Rigging and launching - once you have dropped off your boat - please do not leave cars in foreshore rigging area
16. Insurance – Third Party Liability insurance with a minimum third party liability of £3,000,000 is mandatory. Please bring proof of dinghy insurance as the Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water staff may ask to see it
17. Safety - All club sailors must fully comply with safety rules of the water laid down by Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water.
18. Risk Statement - 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 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;

Diagram A

