



# NOTICE OF RACE

## GAIRLOCH MINI REGATTA

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

1. The **Mini Regatta** will be held at Gairloch Boat Club, Pier Road, Gairloch, on Saturday, 9th September 2023. The organising authority is Gairloch Boat Club (GBC). Queries can be made via the "Contact us" button on the GBC website: [www.spanglefish.com/gairlochboatclub](http://www.spanglefish.com/gairlochboatclub)
2. **Rules:** Racing will follow the RYA Racing Charter and will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 including RYA prescriptions (RRS) and the class rules of participating boats. This Notice of Race (NoR), the Sailing Instructions (SI) and the Entry Form will be published on the GBC website.
3. **Conditions of Entry:** Entry is open to GBC members and visiting sailors. All competing Helms shall be members of an RYA affiliated club or be full personal members of the RYA. All participants must agree to the conditions laid down in the *Disclaimer of Liability* and *Insurance* paragraphs of this NoR.
4. **Competing Classes:** Racing will be for dinghies and small catamarans. There will be a single fleet for boats of all handicaps, and a single start to each race.
5. **Entry Form:** Boats may only be entered in races following completion of the relevant entry form and submission of the appropriate entry fees. The entry form will be published on the club website prior to the regatta, but may be completed during registration.
6. **Entry Fees** (including catering):
  - Single hander: £10 per adult; £5 per junior under 18.
  - Double hander: 2 x adults £15; adult & junior £12; 2 x juniors £8.
7. **Registration:** Entries will be taken at the club from 10:30 on 9th September or the Entry Form may be downloaded from the website and sent in by post or email.

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8. **Schedule:** A Briefing will be held at the clubhouse at 12:00 on Saturday 9th September. Competitors should note that timings are based on the rising (neap) tide to high water at about 16:13.
9. **Races:** At least three races are scheduled, including the feature *Round the Island Race* as conditions allow. The warning signal for the first race will not be displayed before 12:55. Races are planned to be sailed back-to-back, with no break.
10. **Sailing Instructions:** The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available to all participants at registration and available on the club website prior to the regatta. The courses will be set in *Flowerdale Bay* as noted in the SI and detailed at the briefing.
11. **Scoring:** Races will be handicap races and may be on an average lap time basis. RRS Appendix A shall apply with handicaps based on PY numbers published by the RYA for 2023. Details on scoring the series shall be published in the SI.
12. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.
13. **Privacy Notice:** Competitors should be aware that relevant entry details may be held as a computer record for the purposes of scoring only. During the day, competitors and visitors should be aware that videos and photographs may be taken for subsequent publishing on the GBC website and social media unless the organising authority is made aware of specific objections.
14. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Members of the club, their guests and visitors, may use the club premises, and any other facilities of the club, entirely at their own risk. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (RRS 3, Decision to Race). By launching or going to sea, competitors confirm the boat is fit for the prevailing conditions and they are competent to sail and compete in them. 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 regatta. The organising authority encompasses everyone helping to run the event. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and or competitors of their responsibilities.
15. **Insurance:** Each participating boat must have valid insurance for third-party liability with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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