

CLYDE CRUISING CLUB DINGHY SECTION



SOLO & STREAKER OPEN, BARDOWIE LOCH – SATURDAY 18th APRIL 2026

GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS, 2026

1. RULES: The event will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-28, the prescriptions of the RYA Racing Charter, the Rules of CCCDS and NSCA Rules, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

Rule 44 (Taking a Penalty) is amended to the extent that a boat need only take a one-turn penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 of the Rules.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on the Event Notice Board located at the entrance to the clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the first warning signal of the day.

4. SIGNALS: Signals will be displayed on the starting Pontoon (P) or from a Committee Vessel.

- The Solo Class flag will be Numeral Pennant 1 - a white pennant with a red spot.
- The Streaker class flag will be Numeral Pennant 2 - a blue pennant with a white spot.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES: It is intended to hold three back-to-back races of at least one lap each but not more than four laps. The starting signal for the first race will be not earlier than 12.30 noon.

6. COURSES: The courses expected to be sailed will be explained at the briefing. It will be for the Race Officer on the day, to determine in respect of each race, whether classes will start together or separately and, if the latter, the order of class starts. The course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which marks are to be left will be displayed before the warning signal for each race and in the vicinity of the starting line, depending upon where the start is taking place.

7. THE START: Starts will be made in accordance with RRS 26 - (5,4,1 and 0 countdown).

Starts will be -

(a) from a pontoon moored in middle of the loch (P), in which case the starting line will be a line between the flagstaff on the pontoon and an adjacent white striped buoy; or

(b) from a committee vessel, in which case the starting line will be between a flagstaff on the committee vessel and an adjacent mark.

8. NOT SAILING THROUGH THE START-FINISH LINE:

Where the start line and finish line are at the Pontoon (P) dinghies must pass through the start/finish line at the end of each round but not otherwise – i.e. not on the downwind or off-wind legs. In such circumstances only, the white striped mark forming one end of the start-finish line is deemed to be an obstruction for boats on their downwind leg or otherwise required to avoid passing through the start-finish line.

Where the start line only is at the Pontoon (P) or between a committee vessel and an adjacent mark, i.e. the finishing line is at the windward or another mark of the course, after they have started, dinghies may ignore the (start) line between the Pontoon and the red and white striped mark.

9. THE MARKS: The floating marks (which may include vessels) will be identified and described at the briefing. Their approximate positions are given in the Appendix to these Sailing Instructions.

10. THE FINISH: The finishing line will be either the same as the start line or, alternatively, a line between the flagstaff on a committee vessel and the windward mark.

11. TIME LIMIT: The time limit for each race will be one hour from the start. If no boat has finished within the time limit, results for that race will be based upon times up to and including the last completed lap.

The race committee may award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS Rule 28.1, RRS Rule 32.2 and RRS Rule 60.1(b).

12. DECLARATIONS: There is no requirement to sign on or off. Standard scoring abbreviations of RRS Appendix A11 will be used for the purposes of the results.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS: Where necessary a protest committee or committees with one or more members may be appointed. The names of the persons appointed will be posted on the official notice board.

Protests shall be in writing. Protest forms will be available at the race office and must be delivered there within 30 minutes of the time the last boat finishes the last race. The race committee may extend the time limit in exceptional circumstances.

The protest committee will hear protests approximately in order of receipt and in any event as soon as possible.

A party to a hearing may ask for a re-opening not later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision. Other than a request for re-opening, the decision of the Protest Committee shall be final.

14. SCORING: The low point scoring system rule A4 will apply, however, in the event of a tie, any discarded result will be taken into account. Any continuing tie will be resolved with reference to the result off the final race, which failing the penultimate race.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS: Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times whilst on the water. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. This changes Rule 40.

16. SUPPORT BOATS: No support boats are permitted on the water.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat is adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the event. Neither the race organisers nor any persons for whom they are legally responsible, shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage (including death) to persons or property, sustained before, during, or after the event, save in respect of death or personal injury where caused by the negligence of the organisers or those for whom they are responsible.

20. LOCAL RULES:

All entrants and authorised guests will be deemed to be guests of Clyde Cruising Club Dinghy Section during the period of the open meeting and, as such, are expected to abide by all of the club rules and by-laws and may sail only the boat entered for the open meeting.

APPENDIX – BARDOWIE LOCH RACING MARKS – APPROXIMATE POSITIONS

