



International Canoe National Championship

22nd – 25th June 2017

WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY

The Organising Authority (OA) is The Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA), in conjunction with The UK International Canoe Class Association.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The International Canoe Federation (ICF) Canoe Sailing Competition Rules 2017 will apply.
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the WPNSA implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at <http://www.rya.org.uk/RACING/Pages/racingcharter.aspx>.
- 1.4 Competitors will be required to wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat, except for a short period whilst changing clothing. Flag 'Y' will not be displayed; this changes RRS 40 and Race Signals 'Y'.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display sponsors' advertising for the duration of the event in accordance to World Sailing Regulation 20. If required, these items will be supplied by the Organising Authority at registration.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 10 Square Metre Canoe Class. There will be separate concurrent Championships for International Canoes (ICs) and for asymmetric spinnaker-fitted ICs (ACs) conforming to the ICF Rule Appendix 3. Canoes not conforming to the IC Rules may be accepted at the discretion of the BCU Sailing Committee who will determine whether any such boat will be eligible for any prize. There will be a One Design (OD) division which will include 'Nethercot' and 'Slurp' One-Designs.
- 3.2 All competitors must be a member of UK International Canoe Class Association or other national authority recognised by the ICF.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter online <http://www.wpnsa.org.uk/events/international-canoe-uk-national-championship>.
- 3.4 A WPNSA Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed and signed by the Parent or Guardian of any competitor under the age of 18 on the last day of the event and emailed to sally.reynoldson@wpnsa.org.uk before Thursday 22nd June 2017 or handed in at registration.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee is £120 per boat from 13th May 2017 until midnight on 4th June 2017. From 5th June 2017, the late entry fee is £130.
- 4.2 Tickets for the sailors' supper and barbecue may be purchased at Registration for £12.50 per person for each function.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1

Day	Date	Event	Where	Time
Thursday	22 nd June	Registration	Room 4	09:00 – 10:30
		Competitors Briefing	Spinnakers	10:30
		Warning signal for race one		11:55
		Warning signal for race two		ASAP after race one
		Sailors Supper	Spinnakers	19:00
Friday	23 rd June	Warning signal for race three Long race		10:25
Saturday	24 th June	Warning signal for race four		10:25
		Warning signal for race five		ASAP after race four
		Warning signal for race six		ASAP after race five
		Barbecue	Spinnakers	19:00 onwards
Sunday	25 th June	Warning signal for race seven		09:55
		Warning signal for race eight		ASAP after race seven
		Tea, cakes & prize giving	Spinnakers	ASAP after racing

- 5.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00.
- 5.3 The Race Committee reserve the right to modify the programme due to extreme weather conditions or other causes. This may include bringing scheduled races forward.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Each IC shall produce valid measurement and sail measurement certificate, which may be required to be viewed at registration.
- 6.2 The Race Committee or the UK IC Class Association may carry out inspections and weighing of canoes during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website prior to the regatta and some printed copies will be available at registration.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The venue is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay, Portland, Dorset, DT5 1SA, UK.
- 8.2 The race area will be in either Portland Harbour and Weymouth Bay.

9. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be either a triangle-windward-leeward or windward-leeward.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A4 will apply.
- 10.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4 When from four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.5 When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 Upon arrival Support Boats must report to the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy reception and pay appropriate charges. They must not launch before this requirement has been met.
- 11.2 Support boats will comply with the Support Boat regulations as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

12. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces while they are in the dinghy park.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

14. PRIZES

Prizes to be awarded include

Quincey Cup	First IC Overall
Eric Freeman Trophy	Second IC Overall
Alan Perks Trophy	Third IC Overall
Campkin Cup	Fourth IC Overall
Knowles Challenge Bowl	First AC Overall
Worcester trophy	Second AC Overall
Lough Erne Trophy	First IC One Design/Slurp Overall
Sailing Challenge Cup	First IC in the long distance race
Murphy Howard Cup	First IC on handicap long distance race (the winner of the Sailing Challenge Cup is not eligible)
Ken Davies Trophy	First sailor on handicap aged under 25 (on 22 nd June 2017)
Mate's Average Cup	Last boat on handicap completing all races
Novices Cup	First novice on handicap
Baden Powell Veteran Bowl	First IC sailor on handicap aged over 50 (on 22 nd June 2017)
Vintage Walking Stick	First IC sailor on handicap aged over 65 (on 22 nd June 2017)
AC Old Man's Trophy	First AC sailor aged over 55 (on 22 nd June 2017)
Old Boat Trophy	Oldest boat completing a race

15. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the RRS 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 inherently 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 while taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss 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 event 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 for the event.

16. INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

17. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION AND KEY CONTACTS

The WPNSA Cafeteria is open daily during the event from 08:00 serving breakfast, lunch, snacks, hot and cold drinks. Packed lunches or baguettes/sandwiches may be ordered from the cafeteria to take on the water. The closing time will depend on the days racing.

WPNSA has pitches available for campervans and caravans. For more information and to book please visit: <http://www.wpnsa.org.uk/campervans-and-caravans>.

The nearest accommodation is at RYA Portland House: <http://www.rya.org.uk/contact-us/rya-portland-house/Pages/hub.aspx>.

Information on accommodation and tourist attractions in Weymouth and Portland may be found at <http://www.wpnsa.org.uk/accommodation-useful-links-for-visitors>

For further information about the event please contact:

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