



The Wilsonian River Challenge 2022

25th – 26th June 2022

The Organising Authority is Wilsonian Sailing Club.

NOTICE OF RACE

Supported By



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Competitors shall sail in accordance with the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter.
- 1.3 RRA Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.4 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.5 Boats may be required to carry GPS trackers provided by the organising authority.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event website prior to the event.
- 2.2 Sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board. Individual printed copies will not be distributed on the day, please print your own if required.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to all monohull centreboard and foiling dinghies with a Great Lakes Handicap Number equal or lower than the RS Tera Sport and Challenger Trimarans.
- 4.2 Entries from competitors aged under 18 years of age on the day of the event must be countersigned by a parent/guardian and presented at registration.
- 4.3 Entry is limited to the first 80 entries accepted.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may pre-enter online at www.sailingchallenge.org

5 FEES

- 5.1 The Closing Date midnight on Wednesday 22nd June 2022. Entries received after this date will only be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority and will be subject to an additional late entry fee of £10.
- 5.2 The following fees will be applied to each entry:

	Single handers	Double Handers
Online Entry only	£35	£45
WSC Member Online Entry Only	£25	£35

- 5.3 Refunds for cancellation of entries will be as follows:
 - 5.3.1 Cancellations received before the closing date : Full refund minus a £5 administration .
 - 5.3.2 Cancellations received after the closing date: No refund.
 - 5.3.3 Cancellations due to Covid-19 (from either party): Full refund minus a £5 administration fee.

6 NOT USED

7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. [DP].

8 RACE FORMAT

- 8.1 The event will consist of a single handicap series of up to 6 races.
- 8.2 All boats will race on a single course and may be divided into multiple fleets based on relative handicaps.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 The times below in bold are fixed (subject to RRS procedures), the remaining entries are for guidance only and may vary considerably, including sailing races on different days. Deviation will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a):

	Saturday	Sunday	Location
Registration	09:00 – 10:00		Race Office
Competitors' Briefing	10:00		
Warning Signal for first Handicap Race	10:55	10:55	
2 additional Handicap Races	back to back	back to back	
Last Permitted Warning Signal		14:30	
Prize Giving		ASAP after Racing	In front of club

10 MEASUREMENT

10.1 Each boat shall be fully equipped with sufficient buoyancy to enable it to float and to support its crew if capsized or holed.

11 NOT USED

12 VENUE

12.1 The venue is:

Wilsonian Sailing Club
Main Road
Hoo
Rochester
Kent
ME3 9HF

13 THE COURSES

13.1 The courses will be given in the Sailing Instructions and may use a combination of laid and fixed navigation marks.

13.2 Starts and finishes may either use the fixed club line or be from a committee vessel. In particular, the first start of a day and the last finish of the day are likely to use the fixed club line.

14 PENALTIES

14.1 Appendix P will not apply.

15 SCORING

15.1 Handicap races will be scored on average lap corrected lap times.

15.2 Corrected times will be calculated using the Great Lakes Handicap System. See <http://greatlakes.org.uk>

15.3 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.4 The low point scoring system Points System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

15.5 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores as listed below:

Races Completed	Scores Excluded
1 – 2	0
3 – 6	1

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS [DP]

16.1 Support Person Vessels will not be permitted.

17 NOT USED

18 BERTHING [DP]

18.1 Boats will be parked in the club dinghy park.

18.2 Road trailers will be stored in the main car park on the upper level.

18.3 Vehicular access to the lower level area by the clubhouse will be strictly controlled.

19 NOT USED

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21 DATA PROTECTION

21.1 In order to manage the events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NoR 21) will comply with the General Data Protection Regulations.

21.2 Please see the SailRacer privacy policy here: <http://sailracer.org/ResultsEntry/Home/Privacy>

21.3 By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the championship, and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

22 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 vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol vessel 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 safety briefing held at the venue;

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

24.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- 1st to 3rd Overall
- 1st Youth Helm
- 1st Lady Helm

24.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact christinegodber@aol.com or call 07710 974 185

END of NOTICE OF RACE – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BELOW

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Catering:

Hot and cold food will be available from the galley on arrival including :

- Food will be available for Friday night Competitors and Visitors
- Breakfast served from 8am to 10.30am on Saturday from 7.30am to 9.30am on Sunday
- Rolls to take afloat on request
- Snack food available after racing on both Saturday and Sunday
- Bar open all day for Soft Non Alcoholic and Alcoholic Drinks
- Cash or card service available.

Saturday Afternoon/Evening:

The BBQ will be available from early evening with streaming music.

Tickets for the BBQ can be purchased at Registration.

Camping:

There will be a limited amount of camping space(maximum tent Size 2 x 3 metres) and campervan space which will need to be applied beforehand on a first come first serve basis.(see contact in Further Information above)

Accommodation:

Please visit www.visitmedway.org/getting-here/visitor-information-centre this will give you all local B&B's Guest Houses Premier Inns Travel Lodge and other accommodation.

The nearest towns are Hoo St Werburgh and Strood.

Great British Sailing Challenge Sail Juice Summer Series Venue Address:

Wilsonian Sailing Club Main Road Hoo St Werburgh Rochester Kent ME39HF (tel no 01634 259318 weekends only)

Website : www.wilsoniansc.org.uk Contact: info@wilsoniansc.org.uk

Entrance is through our landlord's farm road in which there is a 20mph speed limit and a track down to the club of a limit of 15mph we would be grateful if you can keep to these speed limit they are also public footpaths.

Accessibility: Please be aware that the club room is upstairs and there is no access via a lift or ramp to this area. However there is accessible disabled toilet and shower facilities on the lower ground. In addition, the club itself is at the bottom of a steep narrow track with limited vehicular access for parking.