

Annandale Sailing Club

Notice of Race – Topper/Optimist Traveller

16th and 17th April 2022

1. Organising Authority

The Traveller will be organised by Annandale Sailing Club. Further information can be found on the website annansail.co.uk or by emailing annandalesailing@gmail.com.

2. Rules

The Traveller will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.

3. Eligibility and Entry

Racing will be for Optimist and Topper dinghies. Entries should be made via the KBSUK link on the Scottish youth travellers website <https://www.scottishtravellers.org.uk> for online registration or at Registration which will take place at Annandale SC from 10:00am Saturday 16th April 2022. The organisers have the right to refuse any entry and/or to ask all or any boats to complete further undertakings or declarations before accepting any entry.

It would be beneficial for the organisers if you can enter by midnight on Monday 11th April to help organise coach and rescue boat numbers.

4. Fees

The entry fee is £30 per boat; for the regatta fleet this includes RYA coaching.

5. Classes

Planned Starts/Classes:

1. Topper
2. Optimist
3. Regatta Fleet of toppers and optimists

6. Programme of Races

Up to 8 races will be held over 2 days. The planned race duration is 30-40 minutes, as permitted by weather conditions. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on Saturday 16th April is 1:00pm. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on Sunday 17th April 2021 is 10:30am.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on-line from 14th April or at Registration

8. Venue

The venue is Annandale Sailing Club, Lochmaben, Lockerbie, Dumfries and Galloway DG11 1NN. Racing will be on Castle Loch.

9. Courses

Planned courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Scoring and Prizes

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. The total score for each boat shall be the sum of her scores excluding her worst as follows:

Races Completed	Discards
0-3	0
4-6	1
7-8	2

Prizes will be awarded, depending on the number of entries, for best boys and girls for each start.

11. Safety Regulations

Rule 40.1 shall apply. All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not considered personal flotation devices.

12. Responsibility and Insurance

Appropriate insurance cover must be in effect for all entrants while racing. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000. Competitors participate in the traveller entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Clyde Cruising Club Dinghy Section will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the traveller. Competitors and/or parents/guardians acknowledge their responsibilities by completing the Entry Form.

13. Risk Statement

Rule 4 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 Traveller, 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 Traveller;
- 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;
- 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 at the venue.

14. Covid-19 Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of Covid-19 and for complying with the Annandale Sailing Club Covid-19 procedures. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends Rule 60.1(a).