



West Kirby Sailing Club - Hilbre Island Race

sponsored by Brimstage Brewery

FRIDAY 5th JULY 2019 High Water 13.35 BST; 9.03 Metres

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

1.1. Racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the WKSC Standard Sailing Instructions, the rules of the various Class Associations (except as any are changed by these sailing instructions), and these sailing instructions.

2. Eligibility to Race

2.1. Fast Handicap boats will have a PN <1000, Medium Handicap boats will have a PN 1000 – 1210. Adjusted PNs will be used for the following Classes: Albacores 1045; Firns 1045; Fireflys 1165, International Canoe ODs and International Canoe Slurp ODs 905. Other classes will use the 2019 RYA PNs.

3. Time Limit

3.1. The time limit will 150 minutes from the start of races 4-6

4. Start Line and Course

- 4.1. The Flagship will be Th'Ark, flying the WKSC burgee.
- 4.2. The course to be sailed will be displayed on the side of the Flagship. The course card is included with these sailing instructions.
- 4.3. The outer distance mark will be an orange mark.

5. Order of Starting and Class Flags

Race No		High Water: 13.35 9.03M		
	Classes	Code Flag	Start Time	
1	Limbo 6.6	D	12.00	
2	Hilbre Island One Design	1	12.00	
3	West Kirby Star / Hoylake Opera	E	12.00	
4	Liverpool Bay Falcon	R	12.30	
5	Fast Handicap Catamarans and Dinghies PN <1000	W	12.30	
6	Medium Handicap Dinghies PN 1000 - 1210	V	12.30	

6. Safety

- 6.1 A personal flotation device shall be worn by all competitors at all times on the water unless exempted by Class rules. Code flag "Y" shall not be displayed, varying RRS rule 40.
- 6.2 A tally system will be in operation at WKSC and DSC for all boats racing on the Dee Estuary excluding Limbos, Falcons, Hilbres, Stars and Operas.
- 6.3 Briefings will be held at 10.15 for Hilbres, Stars, Operas and Limbos and 11.00 for Falcons and dinghies.

7. Shortened Course.

- 7.1. The race may be finished at any buoy by flying code flag "S" from a nearby launch or RIB, which is flying a blue flag together with the respective class flag. The finishing line is then between the buoy and the RIB.
- 7.2. For courses 1 and 2 only, the length of the course may be shortened for any of the classes at any buoy on the outward leg by the flying of a green flag from a nearby launch or RIB together with the respective class flag. The class will turn at that buoy and the next mark of the course will be **ODM(P)**.

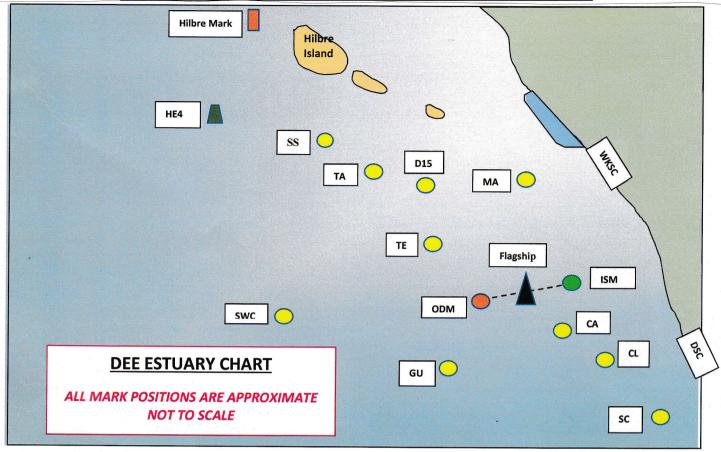
8. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded after racing.

9. Warning to all Competitors

In 2016 we were told by Hoylake lifeboat that after the collapse of rocks on the north-east corner of Middle Eye, the Council put in spikes and fencing just off the land side of the island. In view of the Hilbre race, we are warning all competitors to keep clear, as it is possible that these spikes may be under the water.

COURSE CARD – HILBRE ISLAND RACE – FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2019



The Flagship will be Th'Ark.

Read courses left to right. The last mark in each lap is highlighted in bold. Each lap is on a separate line.

Course	Start Line	
1	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) HILBRE MARK (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S) TE (S) ODM (S)
2	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HILBRE MARK (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S) TE (S) ODM (S)
3	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S) TE (S) ODM (S)
4	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) SS (S) MA (S) CA (S) ODM (P)
5	Flagship (P) & ODM (S)	SC (S) SWC (S) TE (S) ODM (S) GU (S) SWC (S) TE (S) ODM (S)
6	As displayed on the Flagsh	

<u>Finishing Lines:</u> Finish between the orange pole of the Flagship and the last mark of the course or, between the orange pole of the Flagship and the last mark of a lap if a shortened course has been signalled.

A temporary tall inflatable orange mark will be laid approx. ¼ mile north of Hilbre Island called "HILBRE MARK".

Key to other marks (and colours):										
ODM	Outer Distance Mark (orange)	ISM	Inner Start Mark (green)	D15	Dry 15 (vellow)	sc	Sally's Cottage (vellow)	ТА	Tanskey (vellow)	
HE4	Dee HE4 (green)	CL	Cliff (vellow)	CA	Cawdy	SE	South End	TE	Tell	
SS	Seldom Seen	MA	Marine	GU	(yellow) Gut	SH	(yellow) Shell	SWC	(yellow) South West	
	(yellow)		(yellow)		(yellow)		(yellow)		Corner (yellow	