

# Isle of Bute Seasports Club

## Round Bute Race

**Saturday 14 June 2025**

## Race Instructions

### Organising Club

Isle of Bute Seasports Club (IBSC), West Bay, Rothesay.

### Sailing Rules

The race will be governed by the ISAF Rules

### Start Line

The start will be South to North in front of the IBSC clubhouse. The start line will be defined by an inner orange mark and an outer inflatable yellow buoy.

**All racing will cease at 19:00 hrs.**

### Handicap

The CYCA handicap system will apply. If a boat has not submitted a CYCA handicap with its entry, then the Race Committee will allocate a temporary number.

### Classes

- Class 1: CYCA 15 minutes/per hour and under
- Class 2: CYCA greater than 15 and less than 18.5 minutes per hour.
- Class 3: CYCA 18.5 minutes/per hour and greater
- Class 4: Restricted 'White Sails' only (No spinnaker, gennaker, ghoster etc)

**Participating boats must display a class flag.**

### Course

The decision on which course to be set will take place at the time gun.

**A Red Disc at the starting hut will indicate a 'north-about' course.**

**A Green Disc at the starting hut will indicate a 'south-about' course.**

### **North-About Course (Red)**

Start - cross the line from south to north (approximately).

Leave the Isle of Bute to port and observe all navigation marks.

Use either channel around the Burnt Islands.

Pass either side of Inchmarnock Island.

Return to Rothesay Bay leaving the Admiralty Mooring Buoy (55°51.4 N 5°02.9 W) to port. Carry on to IBSC Club Line in front of Clubhouse

Finish – cross the line from north to south in front of the IBSC clubhouse between an inner orange mark and an outer inflatable yellow buoy.

### **South-About Course (Green)**

Cross line south to north leaving Admiralty buoy (55°51.4 N 5°02.9W) to starboard Leave the Isle of Bute to starboard and observe all navigation marks.

Pass either side of Inchmarnock Island

Use either channel around the Burnt Islands

Return to Rothesay Bay leaving the Admiralty Mooring Buoy to port 55°51.4 N 5°02.9W.

Finish – cross the line from north to south in front of the IBSC clubhouse between an inner orange mark and an outer inflatable yellow buoy.

### Start Procedure (all classes)

<b>08:00 Time Gun.</b>	<b>No flag, sound only</b>
<b>08:25 Warning Signal.</b>	<b>Numeral 1 raised and sound</b>
<b>08:26 Warning Signal.</b>	<b>Flag 'P' raised and sound</b>
<b>08:29 One Minute Signal.</b>	<b>Flag 'P' lowered, and sound</b>
<b>08:30 Start Signal.</b>	<b>Numeral 1 lowered</b>

If a One Design Class requires own start the 08.30 hours start signal will be their 10-minute signal.

### Cancellation

If unforeseen and insurmountable problems arise, the race may be postponed until June 21<sup>st</sup> (with same race details) or cancelled. If the race is cancelled, for any reason, it may not be possible to refund the entry fee.

### Course Shortening

The Race Officer will have the option to shorten course at any point on either Red or Green courses from a vessel or from the shore after making two sound signals and displaying flag "S". Additionally, the Race Officer may broadcast "shorten course" to the fleet on VHF M1 or 37". Once the course is shortened, the time limit to finish will continue to be 7pm.

### Protests

Any protests must be lodged with the Race Committee by e-mail ([secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk)) within 30 minutes of the protesting boat finishing. Any decision of the Round Bute Race Committee will be final.

### Entry Fee

Race Entry Fee £35.00, contact [secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk) for an application form. No entries on the day, entries via email to [secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk) until 21:00 hrs Friday 13th June.

### Trophies and Prizes

The IBSC clubhouse will host a prize giving Awards Ceremony & Buffet on Saturday 14th at 8.00PM. The boat with the fastest overall corrected time will receive a photo with the Marquis of Bute Trophy. Prizes will be given to the four class winners, the first boat over the line, and the highest placed Isle of Bute member sailing their own boat.

### Conditions of Entry

The organising club and their sponsor disclaim any and every responsibility for loss, injury or inconvenience to persons, boats or associated objects howsoever arising, directly or indirectly, ashore or afloat, from their policy, rules or ruling during racing and related activities. The responsibility and decision to sail rests with the Skipper and crew of the participating yacht in all given conditions.

You grant IBSC the right to record, film, photograph, and capture your voice and image in any media at the Event (the "Recordings"). You grant to IBSC royalty-free right and license to use, reproduce, modify, distribute all or any part of the Recordings.

### Insurance

Every boat must have adequate Third-Party Insurance of 3 million Pounds minimum and to include Race Cover.

### Latest Information

To confirm any of the above, and to keep up to date with any of last-minute changes, visit the club website (<https://isleofbuteseasportsclub.org.uk/>). On the day, contact Bute Race Control on VHF channel M1 or 37 or **Alan Senior** (Race Officer) **07932714105**

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IBSC Secretary.

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