



COTSWOLD SAILING CLUB

Organising Authority: Cotswold Sailing Club in conjunction with Wanderer Class Owners' Association (WCOA)

WCOA open meeting

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May 2026

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 to 2028*.
- 1.2. The Cotswold Sailing Club sailing Instructions, rules and byelaws will apply (please see CSC website for more details)

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats are permitted to display advertising under ISAF Regulation 20

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Wanderer class whose helm or crew is a fully paid-up member of the WCOA at the time of entry.
- 3.2. Entries should be made online in advance on the class association website.
- 3.3. Late registrations will be accepted up to 11am on 9th May 2026 in cash only, payable at the club. A late registration fee of £10 (cash only) will apply.

4. DECISION TO RACE

- 4.1. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is theirs alone.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fee is £35 (£30 of which is covered by the WCOA). No catering will be provided, except as outlined in section 20 'further information'. Competitors must bring their own lunch and refreshments.

6. SERIES

- 6.1. The event will consist of five races – four races will constitute a series. If, at the discretion of the RO, one or more races are cancelled due to bad weather or poor/ unsuitable wind conditions the following will apply:

Four races held: four races will constitute a series.

Three races held: three races will constitute a series.

Two races held: two races will constitute a series.

One race held: one race will constitute a series.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Test Sail: Friday 8th May competitors may enjoy a test sail/ cruise at any time.
- 7.2 Briefing: Saturday 9th May 11.30am (in the clubhouse).
- 7.3 Post race: After racing on Saturday 9th May tea and cake will be available in the Clubhouse.
- 7.4 Evening meal: On Saturday 9th May at 6.30 pm, we are organising an evening meal at local pub 'The Crown' in Cerney Wick, which is a short walk from the club. Check out the menu with an "Anglo-Indian twist" at <https://www.thecrowninncerneywick.co.uk/>. Please indicate that you wish to attend on the booking form or at the Saturday briefing.
- 7.5 Prize-giving: Presentation of prizes will be after the last race at approximately 2.30 pm on Sunday 10th May.
- 7.6 Times of racing:
- Saturday 9th May
Race 1 not before 12pm
Race 2 at the discretion of the RO.
Race 3 at the discretion of the RO.
- Sunday 10th May
Race 4 not before 10am
Race 5 at the discretion of the RO.
- 7.7 The schedule may be amended at any time to comply with covid or other local restrictions.

8. MEASUREMENTS

- 8.1. All boats shall comply with the WCOA Wanderer Dinghy class rules [Wanderer Class Rules](#) .
- 8.2. Measurement checks may be carried out at any time during the event.
- 8.3. Only certified sails may be used in line with class rules.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 Sailing instructions are available on the Cotswold Sailing Club website [Opens and Class Events – Cotswold Sailing Club](#)

10. VENUE

- 10.1 Directions to Cotswold Sailing Club, Lake 9, Cerney Wick Lane, Cotswold Water Park GL7 5QJ can be found on the club web site - <https://www.cotswoldsailingclub.org/find-us>. (Please note local road closures may in operation – please leave extra time for your journey).

The entrance to the club is a gate halfway along Cerney Wick Lane, between the junction with the Spine Rd East and Cerney Wick village. Please DO NOT use the club post code for your sat nav. This will take you to Cerney Wick village where it is hard to turn around, especially if you are towing a boat. Instead, head towards the Cotswold Outdoor/Gateway Café on Spine Rd East (GL7 5TL) and depending on the direction you are arriving from, turn into Cerney Wick Lane towards Cerney Wick

(signposted) at the crossroads. Be careful though – do not be confused with South Cerney Sailing club, which is on the same road in the opposite direction, towards South Cerney (also signposted!)

11. THE COURSES

11.1 The courses will be set out on the day by the race officials and will be displayed on the race board and/or on the committee boat.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 The penalties are as detailed in rule 44. The Scoring Penalty rule 44.3 will not apply.

12.2 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

13. SCORING

13.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

13.2. When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her 4 best race scores. When less than 4 races are scored there will be no discards.

13.3 RRS A5.3 will apply.

13.4 RRS 90.3(e) will apply.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1 Except in emergency a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. INSURANCE

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

17. PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

17.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of Cotswold Sailing Club

18. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

18.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped, or filmed television of or relating to the event.

18.2 Cotswold Sailing Club has a GDPR policy compliant with the 2018 regulations.

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20. FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Visiting boats must be washed down on arrival using the hosepipe situated in the car park by the main gate, and dried before entering the water.

20.2 Shortly before the event, registered competitors will be given the four-digit gate number to the club's main gate, clubhouse back door and intermediate gates; these will be valid from Thursday 7th

May to Monday 11th May. If there are any difficulties accessing the site, please email leonie.milliner@outlook.com. Competitors are asked to keep the gate lock/ clubhouse lock number confidential and under no circumstances to share the gate number with anyone outside their party. **Please close and lock all gates/doors immediately after use.** Please do not 'hold open' main gate, side gates or clubhouse back door to anyone.

20.3 Competitors' tents, caravans and campervans are welcome to stay overnight in the lakeside camping field from Friday 8th May to Monday 11 May at £6 per adult per night, payable in cash to the galley on Sunday. Please note there is no electric hook up. Turn right on entering the main gate and follow the haul road around the edge of the lake to the camping field. Visiting boats may be left in the main car park, to the left and in front of the main gate. If camping, a bike (or folding bike) is recommended!

20.3 Limited catering will be provided. Competitors must bring their own lunch and refreshments. Tap water is available.