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 **Scottish Junior Travellers**

2022/23 Series

**NOTICE OF SERIES**

The organising authorities are RYA Scotland and Scottish Optimist, and Topper Class Associations in conjunction with

CCCDS, Aberdeen and Stonehaven YC, Loch Tummel SC, RYA Scotland and TBC

**1 RULES**

1.1 The Regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

1.2 Competitors should note that RYA Scotland and Scottish Junior Traveller Events will be run in compliance with the principles of the RYA Racing Charter as applicable to both organisers and competitors, details of which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter)

**2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

2.1 The series is open to Optimist and Topper class dinghies

 There will be a main fleet and regatta fleet for both classes

2.2 Every competitor that enters in one of the series events will automatically be entered into a series

2.2 Entries for the RYA Scotland Autumn Championships and any other RYAS hosted events will only be accepted through RYA Entry System with the link through to the entry mini-site to available on the RYAS Website ([www.ryascotland.org.uk](http://www.ryascotland.org.uk))

2.3 Entries for Traveller 1 will be accepted through the Clyde Cruising club website

 Entries for traveller 2 will be accepted through the ASYC Website

 The booking of Entries for traveller 4 to 6 will be confirmed on the Scottish Travellers website ([www.scottishtravellers.org.uk](http://www.scottishtravellers.org.uk)) or if hosted by RYAS Scotland on the RYA Scotland website

2.4 All helms shall sign an Entry at registration. Medical forms and consent forms are part of the on-line entry and are required to be completed for all competitors. (Data Protection Act: This is a safety requirement and no data on this will be retained after the event.)

**3 SCHEDULE**:

3.1 The six events of the 2022/23 series will consist of:

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| **Event** | **Host Venue** | **Dates** |
| **Traveller 1** | CCCDS | 20th/21st August 2022 |
| **2Traveller 2** | Aberdeen And Stonehaven YC | 3/4th September 2022 |
| **Traveller 3 RYA Late Summer Championships** | Loch Tummel SC | 24/25th September 2022 |
| **Traveller 4** | Helensburgh SC |  22nd/23rd April 2023 |
| **Traveller 5 (incorporating Scottish Topper Championships)** | Prestwick SC | 3rd/4th June 2023 |
| **RYAS Junior Champs 20223 (T6)** | Loch Tummel SC | 17th/18th June 2023 |

**4 NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

4.1 NOR will be available on the RYA Scotland Website and Scottish Travellers Website

4.2 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

**5 SCORING**

5.1 (a) 2 events are required to constitute a series

 (b) When fewer than 3 events are completed a competitor’s series score will be the total of all their event

 scores.

 (c) If 3 or 4 events are completed a competitors series will be the total of their event scores excluding their worst event

 (d) If 5 or more events are completed a competitors score will be the total of their event scores excluding their 2worst scores.

5.2 For the purpose of scoring the series, a competitor’s score for each event (‘event score’) will be points equal to her position in the overall results for their class at the event. If the fleet is split into main fleet and regatta fleet a regatta fleet competitors scoring will be a continuation of the main fleet. i.e first place in the regatta fleet will be scored as last place in main fleet plus 1 and so on.

5.3 When a competitor does not enter or register in her class at an event, her event score for that event will be one more than the largest registered entry in their class at any of the series events.

5.4 The competitor with the lowest series score wins and others will be ranked accordingly.

5.5 RRS A8 will be used to break series ties, replacing “boat” with “competitor” and “race” with “event”.

**6 RISK STATEMENT**

6.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

6.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently 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 boats and other officials and volunteers by the event 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 familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention to any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for

# PRIZES

7.1 The Overall Series Prizes for the Optimist Class are as follows:

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| **Name of Trophy** | **Description of Criteria** |
|  | First overall |
|  | Second overall |
|  | First female overall |
|  | First junior (under twelve) |
|  | First junior female (under twelve) |
| Bob Airlie Cup | First Non Development Team Sailor |
| Novice Cup | Highest placed sailor competing in the series for the first time |

7.2 The Overall Series Prizes for the Topper Class are as follows:

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| **Name of Trophy** | **Description of Criteria** |
| Winners Plate | First overall |
| Shirley Richmond | First female overall |
| Donnie Meldrum | Most improved sailor |

# RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

## 8.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing 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

**9 INSURANCE**

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

**10 FURTHER INFORMATION**

10.1 Further information is available from:

**RYA Scotland Class and Academy Officer**

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 **Scottish Junior Class Associations**

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