

NORTH TEAM RACING

19 - 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

Competitor Briefing





WELCOME

Thank you to Ripon SC for hosting the event.

- Key People for the event: Fiona (Event Manager), Naomi & Steve (NEYSA Sailing Committee), Jamie (Race Officer), Umpires (Ali, Andy & Jamie), On shore Coaches (George S, Tilly & Fin), Nick S will again be commentating at the event.
- Key Locations: Race Office (out of bounds), Official Notice Board in the clubhouse lobby.
- Food: Galley open all day. The bar will be open Friday evening & Saturday afternoon & evening.
 - Don't forget to book your pizza buffet Saturday evening meal by 9pm Thursday 17 Sept.
 - Bacon sandwiches available until 10.30am each day.
 - The galley & Bar takes cards, you can open a tab but need to pay it at the end of each day.
- Camping: Don't forget to book camping if you are staying overnight.

KEY EVENT TEAM MEMBERS



Fiona Spence
NEYYS Chair
Event Director



David Manning
NEYYS Secretary
Volunteer Liaison



Naomi Smith
NEYYS Sailing
Committee



Steve Wright
NEYYS Sailing
Committee



Veronica Shackleton
NEYYS
Safeguarding



Jamie Kerslake
PRO



Ali Wood
Umpire



Andy Young
Umpire



Jamie Edwards
Umpire



Sam Young
Race Office



George Spence
Lead Coach



Nick Spence
Commentator



George Panter
Marks &
Equipment



Lindsay Welfare
Beach Lead



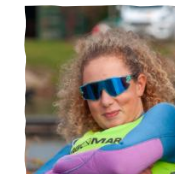
Will Welfare
PB / Ferry Lead



Ben Welfare
Race Team /
Trainee Umpire



Henry Blades
Trainee Umpire



Alanna Starkie
Trainee Umpire



Lara Eagleton
Trainee Umpire



ON SHORE – SOME BASICS!

Please park in the car park.

Keep your kit tidy when in the changing room & make sure everything is named.

We recommend storing your kit bag in your vehicle/tent so that the changing room doesn't get overcrowded.

The grass can be very wet & muddy, please keep off it to keep the clubhouse and boats as clean as possible. Please wipe your feet before entering the clubhouse to minimise goose muck ingress.

It is September but it may be cold. You will stay warmer if you don't get very wet. Don't play in the water and put an extra layer on between races. A big jacket or dry-robe to go on over all your sailing kit makes a big difference.

Well fuelled sailors perform better, don't forget to eat & drink.

Suncream... Suncream... Suncream!



SATURDAY MORNING

We need to rig 16 Fevas before we can go racing. Everyone is expected to help.

The information pack has allocated each team to a specific boat/ trailer.

We will have a very short briefing at 9am from the umpires and PRO.

We will launch immediately after the briefing.

You need to be rigged and ready to go for 9am with ALL the boats rigged.

Boats will be allocated sails, it is very important the right sails go on each boat.





SAILOR REGISTRATION

We need to confirm all sailors have arrived and we have correct details for the team.

We want to encourage sailors to take responsibility for their sailing admin so,

Team captains need to attend registration, collect their team sheet and confirm the information with their team & team manager.

Captains are then to return the team sheet to registration and will be given their team hats.





SAILOR BRIEFING

We will have a short briefing at 9am in front of the clubhouse on Saturday morning.

The Principal Race Officer and Umpires will introduce themselves

We will cover some key information & a few important reminders.

All sailors are expected to attend.





SATURDAY EVENING

We need to get 16 Fevas off the water and take the sails down & roll them.

Boats are to be left at the top of the concrete slip against the wooden railing.

The participant information pack lists which boat each team is responsible for.

Any repairs required need to be reported to the race office on Saturday night.

Everyone is expected to help.





SUNDAY MORNING

We need to rig 16 Fevas before we can go racing. Everyone is expected to help.

The information pack has allocated each team to a specific boat/ trailer.

We will have a very short briefing at 9am from the umpires and PRO.

We will launch immediately after the briefing.

You need to be rigged and ready to go for 9am with ALL the boats rigged.

If a boat needs a repair please report it to the race office (this should have been done Saturday evening!).

Everyone is expected to help.



SUNDAY EVENING

We need to get 16 Fevas off the water and 14 of them loaded onto the correct trailer with ALL of their equipment (spars, sails, foils).

We also need to pack up the event equipment and get RIBS off the water.

The information pack has allocated each team to a specific boat/ trailer / job.

Sails need to be removed and the NEYYSA sails (coloured ones) need to be given back.

Any repairs required need to be reported to the race office so they can be arranged.

Everyone is expected to help.





KEY POINTS FOR EVERYONE

Read the NoR and the SIs - Carefully and Fully!

Read the notice to competitors in full, it contains lots of information to help you get the most out of the weekend.

Join the telegram channel.

Get the schedule from the K-Sail website.

Plan for the Weekend - Addendum B in the Sailing Instructions gives the event format for each Stage; please note that we are planning HLS League for Stage 1 then Gold / Silver / Bronze Fleet Round Robins for Stage 2.

Marks are small marks with flags. The course map will be on the official notice board.

Plan for starts - rolling 3 minutes, potentially a 3-minute gap after 3 races if needed.





NEW TO TEAM RACING?

CHECK THE COURSE - in the Sailing instructions, check the numbers on the buoys!

PROTEST FLAGS - no Red flag, no Protest - attach it to your buoyancy aid.

SCHEDULE - Check the schedule for the race number & colour of boats you are racing in. This is online. Use the link provided to access the schedule.

BOATS - The boats have different coloured sails to identify them. You MUST get into the right set of boats.

RACE NUMBERS - check the schedule, make a note of your race numbers, check when you have a break long enough to have a snack or have lunch. Some breaks will be longer than others.

WHICH RACES? - You will do 2 races each time you go out and then swap. You need to know what number your second race is.

You will go out to the boats in the orange power boats. Sailors need to load using the race number shown on the beach, this will be a few races ahead of the race that is actually starting. The committee boat has the race number they are currently starting showing.

We encourage you to watch the first few races, the coaches will be available in front of the clubhouse commentating and commenting on what is happening.



NEW TO TEAM RACING?

BE ON TIME for all your races; if you are late, the race committee won't wait if it was your fault! Wait at the jetty as soon as your number shows on the Beach Display.

CHANGE OVERS: Will be on the water, swap boats quickly and sail to the start promptly. Do not sail across the course on the way to the start.

STARTING: Set your watch to 3 minutes. Check the race number on the Committee Boat Display, watch the batons, the only flag used is an X flag (for individual recall).

ASK QUESTIONS: If you are unsure about anything, ask questions, there are experienced sailors, umpires, race officials and coaches. All happy to answer questions!



UMPIRES

Will be on the water watching each race!

Sailors need to Protest if they want the Umpires to take action
(Call Protest loudly and wave your Red Flag).

Don't argue with the Umpire, they are always right! And will just give you more turns!

The umpire will blow their whistle & either;

Wave a red flag & point it at you & tell you how many turns to do or,

Wave a green & white flag which means no-one needs to do turns.

If you don't understand a decision, speak to one of the coaches or an Umpire after the race.



COACHING

This event is aimed at sailors who are new to team racing and upskilling sailors so they can enjoy and participate more fully at national team racing events.

We have George, Tilly & Finn providing coaching this weekend.

All teams are able to access the coaches throughout the weekend.

The coaches will be running some specific sessions during the weekend on specific team racing skills (like mark traps).

Make use of the coaches! They are all experienced and successful team racers and are here to help you get better.



FOOD

Well fuelled sailors perform better, don't forget to eat & drink.

Leeds University are providing the catering this year. They have a great menu. You can pre-book until 12 noon on Friday 18 September, after that you will have to hope they have enough left!

Please support them, NEYYSA is proud to work with Leeds & York Uni sailing clubs and we have a mutually beneficial working relationship.

On Saturday evening we are holding a communal pizza, salad and hot-dog supper, with pudding. Please pre-book this.





FINALLY

BE KIND! - This is a great event, and can get very competitive, but everyone is here to have fun and learn more about Team Racing.

Weather permitting, we will start promptly - please ensure the whole team have registered between 0800 - 0830 on Saturday morning & are changed ready to go.

Everyone needs to help with rigging and packing up boats. Each team has been assigned to help with a specific boat.

Volunteers - please check the rota and turn up for your slot on time!

And finally, if you have a question, aren't sure about something or something isn't quite right, let's talk about it. Find Fiona, Naomi or Steve or another member of the event team and ask.

