

**OPEN REGATTA FOR LASERS, OPEN DINGHIES AND
CATAMARANS & YACHTS
&
THE GREEK NATIONAL HOBIE 16 CLASS CUP**

June 28 – July 2 2017

Vassiliki Bay, Lefkas, Greece.

The event is being organised by the Vassiliki Sailing Club in association with the Hellenic Sailing Federation, Greek Hobie Cat Class Association, Municipality of Lefkada, Wildwind Holidays and friends.

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

The racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020. The principle languages used will be English and Greek.

2 Eligibility & Entry

Entry is open to Lasers, dinghies, catamarans and yachts.

Entry Fees – The entry fee for catamaran and dinghy classes which includes T shirt, entry to all events including one drink at the prizegiving night is 15 euros per person. Youths under 18 years old pay a reduced entry fee of 10 euros.

Yacht entries - €15 per crew member including entry to social events. T shirts are not included but will be available at the skippers briefing.

Entry forms are available on line at: www.vassiliki-watersports-festival.com

Racing will be held over 4 days in the following classes:

- a. **Laser 1 Mens, Laser Radial Womens, Laser 4.7 Youths.**
- b. **Catamaran classes will race under the ISAF small handicap rating system.** (<http://www.schrs.com/index.php?page=ratings>)
- c. **Providing there is a minimum of 6 Greek entries in the Hobie 16 class this event will count as the Greek National Championships and there will be a separate course set.**
- d. **Open Dinghy class –open to any dinghy under 6 metres; all dinghies will race under the RYA Portsmouth handicap racing system.**

Parent/Guardian Declarations

All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian.

Television and Media

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 events.

3 Schedule

Wednesday 28th June – Registration and Measurement. All boats will be measured to be in accordance with their relevant class rules prior to racing. Note crew weights for the Hobie 16 class will be checked at random.

Laser, Open Dinghy and Catamaran Classes . Weds 28th June – Saturday 1st July.

Up to 4 races will be held each day.

The first start is scheduled for 11:00 am Thursday 29th June. Thereafter there may be starts from 10.30 am on Friday and Saturday.

Skippers Briefing at 09:45 hrs.

Yacht Class – Saturday 1st July

One long distance race will be held racing from a start line in Vassiliki Bay rounding the island of Arkoudi to port and finishing in Vassiliki bay. The race will start at 12.00. Yachts will race under the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (NHC) <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/nhc.aspx>

4 Sailing Instructions

A copy of the full sailing instructions will be posted on line at least one week prior to the event at www.vassiliki-watersports-festival.com. Amendments to these written sailing instructions will be posted on the Race Notice Board and announced clearly.

5 Prizes

Trophies/Medals will be awarded to at least the first three competitors in each category.

6 Statement of Liability

Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat and its helm and crew are fit to sail in the conditions that they might find. By launching or going to sea competitors confirm their boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them.

Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.

7 Insurance

Boats are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims.

For more information please contact SIMON MORGAN on (30) 6979 110 665 or by email simon@wildwind.co.uk.

Social Programme

Tuesday 27th June – Sponsors Opening Party with live music

Thursday 29th June – Cocktail night + live music

Friday 30th June – Traditional Greek night + music

Saturday 1st July – Prizegiving, followed by David Bowie & Jimi Hendrix cover band

Note – no meals or drinks are included in the entry fee.