



Gaffling Championships 2025

Mon 25th Aug, Ullswater Yacht Club

Notice of Race

Format

The Championship will take the form of heats with different crews crewing a boat in each heat with the winning crews going through to the final

The exact format of the event will be dependent on the number of entries to the championship and conditions on the day.

A possible schedule for day is

1000 am Race Briefing

1030 am Heat One

1115 am Heat Two

1200 pm Heat Three

1 pm Heat Four

1.45 pm Heat Five

2.45 pm Final Race

(The final may be the best of two races)

3.45 pm Rowing Race

4.30 pm Prize Giving

Rules

The Championships will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028, the RYA prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing, notice of race, the entry forms and sailing instructions in the ordered stated

The Racing Rules of Sailing and RYS prescription can be downloaded from <https://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/racingrules/>

Organisers

The race organisers are the OGA, the association for gaff rig sailing

Eligibility and Entry

a) The Gaffing Championships are open to OGA members and non-members, Non members will be assumed OGA members for the duration of the event.

b) Entrants should register online by Friday 23 midnight via <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/oganorthwest/1778938>

c) Entrants should also pay the subsidised Ullswater Day Visitor Fee of £20 <https://ullswateryachtclub.org/event/1183881>

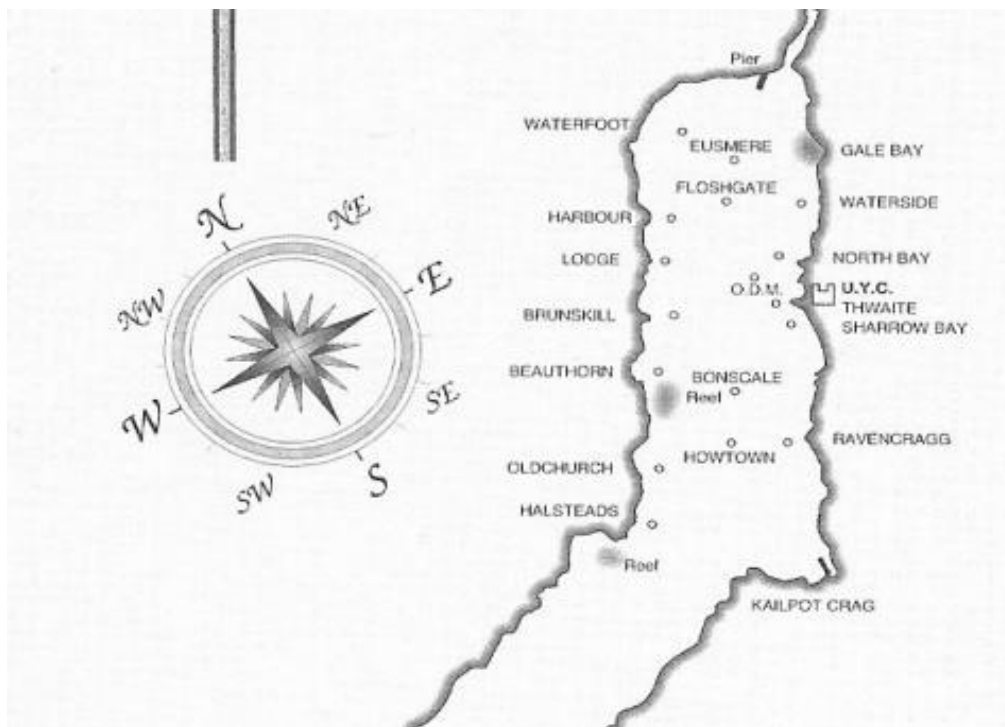
Depending on numbers, late entrants may be accepted

d) Skippers or their representatives must attend the pre-race briefing

e) All helms and crew 18 must provide a signed parental / guardian declaration giving them permission to take part.

Course

The course will be decided on the day in conjunction with Ullswater Yacht Club. A map of their racing marks is shown below,



The Yacht Club will also be racing on the day.

Disclaimer

Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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 championship.

Participants should check the boats before going out on the water

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:

- 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.
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- They have checked that the boat they are using is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event referred to in the Sailing Instructions and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue.

Further information

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