

Catapult CLASS ASSOCIATION

Carsington TT, 9-10 April 2022

We shall be returning to Carsington Water in the beautiful White Peak district of Derbyshire our first TT event of the season over the weekend of 9-10 April, where we shall be sailing alongside club fleets - cruisers on Saturday and dinghies on Sunday.

Entries

YOU MUST ENTER ONLINE BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE OF 7 APRIL at

<https://www.carsingtonsailingclub.co.uk/event/catapult-open-meeting>

where you will find the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. To enter and book a campervan pitch (sorry no caravans allowed) you will need to log in, if you already have registered an account with Carsington in the past, or set up a new account. Entry costs £30. The usual £5 Class Association levy will be collected on the day.

Racing

There will be 5 races, 2 on Saturday at 1.30 and 3 on Sunday starting at 10.30. One discard will apply if all 5 races are sailed. There will be a briefing on the Saturday at 12.00 on the Terrace. Catapults will have a separate start in the sequence. We will come off the water after the first race on Sunday afternoon.

Directions

The Club is situated on the west side of Carsington Water; its postcode is DE6 1SU. The easiest approach is from the B5035 Wirksworth-Ashbourne road taking the turning signed for the Carsington Water Visitor Centre a few metres west of the Knockerdown Inn.

Arrival

The club gates will be open 9.00 to 18.00 on the Friday (and the weekend), so it will be possible to drop off and/or assemble your boat between those hours.

SPECIAL NOTE: All boats should be washed down prior to arrival to prevent contamination with killer shrimp or other non-native species.

Contacts

For administrative matters you can contact the Club Manager, Oliver Hallam, or the Club Administrator, Helen Dennison, on 01629 540609 or info@carsingtonsc.co.uk. They are available from Wednesday to Sunday.

Stuart Ede (catamaranstu@outlook.com, 01904 738158 or 07575 059339) will be our Event Liaison person.

Accommodation

Members with campervans/motorhomes (sorry, not caravans) can camp on club grounds on the Friday and Saturday nights for £10 per night. Be sure to arrive before 18.00 when the club normally closes. It is safest to assume that the clubhouse will be closed from 18.00 both nights.

Alternatively there are a number of campsites nearby, listed at <https://www.carsingtonsailingclub.co.uk/the-club/accommodation-near-carsington-sailing-club-1> together with B&Bs, hotels and guesthouses.

Alternative sources of accommodation include the Ashbourne tourist information office on 01335 343666, or there are several websites, such as www.visitpeakdistrict.com or www.peakdistrictonline.co.uk.

The social side

A galley service will be provided both days. A meal out on the Saturday evening will be arranged at a local pub, if there are sufficient takers. Members who have registered their attendance on Rally will be consulted.

Lots to see and do

As always we have selected Carsington not just for its great sailing but also for its location. It is in the White Peak, close to the Peak District National Park, and offers wonderful walking. Beautiful Dove Dale is just a few miles away. Stately homes abound, like Chatsworth, Haddon Hall, Market House, Kedleston Hall and Wingfield Manor. The picturesque towns of Matlock Bath (take the cable car up the Heights of Abraham), Bakewell and Buxton offer lots to do and see, and then there is the Alton Towers theme park as well.

And in these pandemic ravaged times what could be more appropriate than a visit to the famous plague village of Eyam? For those interested in transport there is the Peak Railway and a Tramway Museum to be visited. So Carsington could be the centrepiece of a super holiday or long weekend break.

So let's go and have some fun!