

Merlin 80th Anniversary Tideway Race 19th July 2026

Visitor Information

Finding us

Ranelagh Sailing Club is located on the Putney Embankment in south-west London. The location pin is here: maps.app.goo.gl/KaB11Z9nJwo2arzF6.

Trailers on the embankment

Trailers should be parked on the Putney Embankment slipway in the area broadly in front of Ranelagh Sailing Club, keeping the road clear. The embankment surface is concrete at the top of the foreshore, giving way to gravel further down as the tide drops. Rigging will take place here, on the embankment alongside your trailer.

Car parking

We ask that cars are not left on the embankment. Any vehicle left there is at the owner's own risk (see the note on the tide, below).

On Sundays free parking is available close by, further along the Putney Embankment at Leader's Gardens and in the roads behind Ranelagh Sailing Club.

A note on the tide

The Putney foreshore is tidal, and the size of the beach reduces as the tide comes in. If a race runs longer than expected, there is a risk that anything left low on the embankment — including trailers and cars — could get wet. The tides are high on the 19th and we recommend that all trailers are removed from the slipway by 1700.

The tally system

When you register, you will be issued a trolley and trailer number. Your tally number corresponds to this number, so please make a note of it. Please label your trolley and trailer with it.

Before launching, collect your tally from the Tally Officer on the beach. When you return ashore, return it to the Tally Officer immediately.

The tally system is how we account for every boat on the water. Any tally not returned at the end of racing will be treated as a missing competitor and a search will be initiated.

Please do not launch until you have collected your tally from the Tally Officer.

On the day

If you have any questions or need a hand with anything once you arrive, please speak to any member - will be happy to help.