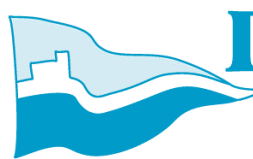


NOTICE OF RACE

WINTER WARM UP

FEBRUARY 2012

ORGANISING AUTHORITY



**Datchet
Water**
Sailing Club

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1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA shall apply.
- 1.3 If there is any conflict between this Notice of Race and the currently published Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.4 Rubbish shall not be put overboard, however it may be put in support or patrol boats.
- 1.5 Competitors shall give way to patrol boats and race management craft at all times.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The series is open to any class of boat or sailboard owned by a current member of Datchet Water Sailing Club and for which a current boat fee has been paid. For boats, this shall be shown by a current DWSC boat sticker attached to either the aft face of the transom or the mast above the attachment point of the boom.
- 2.2 To be eligible to enter the Series or any race in the Series, competitors must either:
 - be current members of Datchet Water Sailing Club: or
 - have paid the current day sailing fee: or
 - have been invited by a member of Datchet Water Sailing Club.
- 2.3 Competitors may enter by completing the signing on sheet on the official notice board in the wet bar on the day of a race or races.
- 2.4 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 event.

3.0 SAFETY

- 3.1 The priority of patrol boats is the safety of competitors and neither the race committee nor the club accepts any responsibility for damage to boats or equipment
- 3.2 Adequate personal buoyancy for all crewmembers shall be worn at all times whilst afloat and shall be centred above the waist. This changes the part 4 preamble and rule 40. Competitors contravening this requirement may be subject to disqualification without a hearing. This changes rule 60.
- 3.3 From November 1st until April 30th inclusive, or at any other time when flag 'Y' is flown from the Clubhouse flagpole, the following minimum clothing requirements are mandatory: -
 - Full Wetsuit (i.e. wrist to ankle and minimum thickness 3mm) or
 - Dry Suit with appropriate thermal undergarments or
 - Keel boat sailors only may wear Polar Suits with appropriate waterproof and windproof outer garmentsThis changes race signals Y.
Competitors contravening this requirement may be subject to disqualification without a hearing. This changes rule 60.

4.0 FEES

There is no entry fee for current paid up members of Datchet Water Sailing Club or their

invited guest.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing are: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th February 2012.
- 5.2 The number of races scheduled for each day of racing is 2, with two back-to-back in the morning.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is not before 1020.
- 5.4
- 5.5 The organising authority may in its absolute discretion allocate any class, permitted to enter the Series, to a particular division.

6.0 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat may be requested to produce a valid measurement certificate.

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available from the club office and the club web site at www.dwsc.co.uk.
- 7.2 Any amendments to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located beside the sign-on sheets.

8.0 VENUE

Datchet Water Sailing Club located at the Queen Mother Reservoir, Horton Road, Horton, Berkshire SL3 9NT. Additional contact details:

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| Telephone | +44 (0) 1753 683872 |
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9.0 THE COURSES

The courses that may be sailed and how they are indicated to competitors will be documented in the sailing instructions.

10.0 PENALTY SYSTEMS

Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required for boats in Asymmetric Handicap and Catamaran Handicap Divisions.

11.0 SCORING

- 11.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 Spare
- 11.3 Spare
- 11.4 Members of Datchet Water Sailing Club who undertake a club duty will be awarded average points of all races they started for the race or races they missed because of the club duty. This will be indicated by scoring code OOD in the published results.
- 11.5 Points for race ties will not be divided. This changes Appendix A7.
- 11.6 The RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme as set out in the current YR2 will be used.
- 11.7 (a) Portsmouth numbers (PN) will normally be those published in the current YR2 for each class.
- (b) The ISAF Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System (SCHRS) will be used for the multi-hull classes in start 5, except that the penalty for the use of carbon masts will not apply. The values will normally be as published on the ISAF SCHRS web site (www.schrs.com).
- 11.8 The race committee may, in their, absolute discretion:
- Vary any handicap rating

- Allocate a rating to any class not listed in YR2 or SCHR system
- 11.9 Competitors in start 5 shall declare the SCHRS value under which they propose to race on the race declaration form on each day of racing.
- 11.10 Competitors will be ranked in individual races in ascending order of corrected time, where the corrected time [CT] is calculated from the elapsed time [ET] for the race and the rating value [RV] using the formula
- $CT = 1000 * ET / RV$ for starts/divisions using RYA YR2
 - $CT = ET / RV$ for starts/divisions using SCHR
- 12.0 SUPPORT BOATS**
- Support boats for competitors competing in the series are not allowed.
- 13.0 BERTHING**
- Boats shall be kept in their assigned place in the boat park.
- 14.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 15.0 PRIZES**
- Prizes will be awarded for each fleet, the number of prizes awarded will be the square root (rounded up) of the number of competitors in that fleet which started 25% + 1 of the races sailed.
- 16.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 16.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 – Decision to Race. The organising 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 event.
- 16.2 It is for competitors to decide whether their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will itself. By launching competitors confirm the boat is fit for the conditions and they are competent to sail and compete in them.
- 16.3 Nothing done by the organizers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organizers 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 organizers encompass everyone helping to run the series.
- 16.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and/or competitors of their responsibilities.
- 17.0 INSURANCE**
- Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,00 (pounds sterling) per event or the equivalent.
- 18.0 FURTHER INFORMATION**
- It is the intention that any relevant additional information is posted on the Datchet Water Sailing Club web site or the official notice board, and will be available from the club office.