

# The Datchet Flyer 2020

The Organising Authority is Datchet Water Sailing Club.  
PART OF THE SELDEN SAILJUICE WINTER SERIES & GREAT BRITISH SAILING CHALLENGE  
SATURDAY 5th DECEMBER 2020: MULTI-HANDERS  
SUNDAY 6th DECEMBER 2020: SINGLE-HANDERS

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Competitors shall sail in accordance with the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter.
- 1.3 Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Exoneration Penalty and Arbitration will be available.
- 1.4 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.5 The Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
  - 1.5.1 RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat, on the pontoons or near the water's edge, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. (DWSC By-law). [DP]
  - 1.5.2 Competitors shall wear a Full body wetsuit or dry-suit at all times whilst afloat. These do not constitute a personal flotation device (DWSC By-law). [DP]

RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

### 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. [DP].

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open to all monohull centreboard dinghies with a Great Lakes Handicap Number equal or lower than the Topper 5.3 and to multihulls and catamarans with a Great Lakes Number between 670 and 1160.
- 3.2 The regatta is also open to accepted DWSC classes (eg Challenger, 2.4mr, Flying Fifteen) that are either owned by a DWSC member or will be helmed by a disabled member of a recognised Sailability Group, subject to prior consent from the Organising Authority.
- 3.3 Entries from competitors aged under 18 years of age on the day of the event must be countersigned by a parent/guardian and presented at registration.
- 3.4 Entry is limited to the first 100 entries received per day from those invited from the Series pre-registrations.
- 3.5 Competitors must pre-register online at [Selden.SailRacer.org](http://Selden.SailRacer.org) (see Notice of Series) and if invited complete their entry with appropriate payment by the stated deadline outlined in the invitation.
- 3.6 On-line entry will close at midnight on Thursday 3rd December 2020, or when capacity reached

#### 4 NOT USED

#### 5 FEES

5.1 The *Discount date* is midnight on Monday 30th November 2020.

5.2 The following fees will be applied to each entry:

	Single handers	Others
Online Before the <i>Discount date</i> in 5.1	£25	£30
Online After the <i>Discount date</i> in 5.1	£40	£45
DWSC Member before the <i>Discount date</i>	£15	£20
DWSC Member after the <i>Discount date</i>	£30	£35

5.3 Refunds for cancellation of entries will be as follows:

5.3.1 Full refund minus a £5 administration fee for cancellations received before the *Discount date*.

5.3.2 No refund available after the *Discount date*.

#### 6 RACE FORMAT

6.1 The event will consist of a handicap series.

6.2 For the handicap series, all boats will race on a single course and be scored together but starts may be split depending on numbers. If split, slower fleets will start first.

#### 7 SCHEDULE

7.1 The times below in bold are fixed (subject to RRS procedures), the remaining entries are for guidance only and may vary considerably, including sailing races on different days. Deviation will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a):

	Sat 7th	Sun 8th	Location
Briefing			<b>Online (4/12/20)</b>
Registration - collect your tracker to confirm attendance	10:00	10:00	<b>Terrace by clubhouse entrance</b>
Warning Signal for first Race*	11:25	<b>11:25</b>	
2 additional Handicap Races back to back	ASAP	ASAP	
Last Permitted Warning Signal	14:30	14:30	
Prize giving			<b>Online (8/12/20)</b>

\*Option that first race may be a pursuit or average laps (confirmed at briefing)

#### 8 MEASUREMENT

8.1 Each boat shall be fully equipped with sufficient buoyancy to enable it to float and to support its crew if capsized or holed (DWSC By-law).

#### 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event website prior to the event.

9.2 Sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board online.

## **10 VENUE**

10.1 The venue is:

Datchet Water Sailing Club  
Queen Mother Reservoir  
Horton Road,  
Horton Berkshire  
SL3 9NT

## **11 THE COURSES**

The courses will be given in the Sailing Instructions.

## **12 PENALTIES**

12.1 **Appendix P will not apply.**

## **13 SCORING**

13.1 Handicap races will be scored on average corrected lap times.

13.2 Corrected times will be calculated using the Great Lakes Handicap System See <http://greatlakes.org.uk>

13.3 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.4 The low point scoring system Points System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

13.5 A boats series score will be the sum of her scores in the handicap series - excluding the worst score if 3 handicap races are sailed

## **14 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

14.1 Support Boats will not be permitted.

## **15 BERTHING [DP]**

15.1 Boats and trailers may be parked on the gravel of the south side of the clubhouse keeping the south launching slipway clear for club keel boats.

15.2 All cars will be asked to park down on the lower level unless otherwise instructed by DWSC Officials..

## **16 NOT USED**

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## **18 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]**

18.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

18.2 Boats may be required to carry GPS trackers provided by the organising authority.

## **19 PRIZES**

19.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Overall
- 1<sup>st</sup> Youth
- 1<sup>st</sup> Lady

19.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## **20 RISK STATEMENT**

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) 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;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue;

## **21 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **22 RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT**

By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the National Class Association and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the championship, and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

## **23 DATA PROTECTION**

In order to manage the events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NoR 22) will comply with the General Data Protection Regulations.

Please see our privacy policy here: <http://www.dwsc.co.uk/club-membership/club-documents/>

## **24 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Datchet Water Sailing Club on 01753 683872 or [sailing@dwsc.co.uk](mailto:sailing@dwsc.co.uk).

### **SPECIAL PROVISIONS IN LIGHT OF COVID-19**

All competitors and their supporters shall comply with all COVID-19 regulations and rules in force by the UK government at the time of the event (including local lockdown rules), including not attending the event if required to quarantine, self-isolate or stay at home. Competitors that are unable to attend the event because of new local lockdown rules that were not in place at the time they entered the event, or because

they have to self-isolate, will have their entry fee refunded provided that they notify the OA of their situation as soon as possible (so that their place may be taken by another competitor on the waiting list).

All competitors and supporters that do attend the event shall comply with Datchet Water Sailing Club's COVID-19 procedures throughout the event – see <https://dwsc.co.uk/>

A virtual competitor briefing, which all competitors should view before the event, will be posted on the registration webpage for the event.

There will be NO changing facilities or catering available at the venue – please come prepared. Water fountains will also be turned off.

The organising authority reserves the right to cancel the event, or reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76. In these cases, refunds will be issued less any costs incurred.

**END of NOTICE OF RACE – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BELOW**

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Accommodation:** Please see our website: <http://www.dwsc.co.uk/aboutus/facilities-2/accommodation-2/>. The terminal 5 Travelodge Heathrow is just a few minutes away.

**Camping and Motorhomes:** Not available

**Invasive Species:** In accordance with Environment Agency guidelines and to prevent the spread of invasive species, DWSC is adhering to the CHECK CLEAN DRY principle. Please make sure your boat has been clean and dry for 2 days prior to your arrival and is washed and dried before returning to other venues. A wash station is available on the exit ramp from the club.

**No Dogs** are allowed on site – excluding guide dogs.