

SAS YOUTH NATIONALS 2015

SAS Youth National Class Championship 2015

**is organised by
East London Yacht Club**

And will be sailed at

**Wriggleswade Dam
Stutterheim, Eastern Cape**

from

13th - 18th December 2015

Sanctioned 1 December 2015

NOTICE OF RACE

The Regatta is organized by SAS – Eastern Cape Region in conjunction with the East London Yacht Club under the auspices of South African Sailing (SAS).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 - 2016**.
- 1.2** **The South African Sailing Requirements for National Championships will apply.**
- 1.3** Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the **Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2013 - 2016**, the **Class Rules of the relevant classes**, this **Notice of Race**, and the **Sailing Instructions**.
- 1.4** All dinghies, 4.6m and under and catamarans 4.93m and under are eligible to participate in this regatta as well as Dart 18 with helm minimum age 16 years - see point 12 below.

In the event of a Class not having complied with this requirement, all entries from an unsuccessful Class will be transferred to an 'O' Class.

- 1.5** Racing rule 44.1 is changed such that, for catamaran classes only, the two turn penalty is replaced with a one turn penalty. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other rules.
- 1.6** Appendix P of the RRS applies to all Dinghy Classes.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted subject to the limitations of ISAF Regulation 20.

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 In accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with South African Sailing or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.

3.2 Entrants in this event shall have birth dates not earlier than 13th December 1996 (i.e. U19 on 13th December 2015, or as specified by class rules for classes with younger age limits.)

The Dabchick constitution states "Membership expires on the day on which the member has their 19th birthday, or on the last day of a regatta of which the official starting date is before, and ends on or after, the day of their 19th birthday".

3.3 Optimist entrants having birth dates on or after 1st January 2005 will be scored in a silver fleet in each class, as defined in the Sailing Instructions. However, if the entrant has previously sailed in Youth National Championships main fleet, this clause shall not be applicable. There will be a separate course for novice Optimist or RS Terra Sport Classes.

3.4 The regatta is open to all boats as per the contents of paragraph 1.4 above.

3.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:

The Regatta Secretary,

Mr. Laurence Haw

Phone number: 082 793 6386

E-mail: Laurence@hawcweb.co.za

Mr. Bruce Muller

Phone number: 082 550 0373

Or bmuller@capewire.co.za

OR

online, at info@youthnationals.co.za together with the required fee.

by **4th December 2015.**

3.6 In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment as outlined in above shall clearly bear the following reference number "SAS YN" followed by the Skipper's name. This shall be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary.

3.7 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions:
Late entries will be accepted up to one hour before the close of registration at 12h00 on the 13th December 2015.

4 FEES

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Single - handed	R500.00
Double – handed	R750.00

4.2 Late Entry fees are as follows:

Single - handed	R600.00
Double – handed	R850.00

4.3 Other Fees:

All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s is/are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC)

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration:

Saturday 12th December 2015; from 13h00 to 16h00
Sunday 13th December 2015; from 09h00 to 13h00

5.2 Measurement and inspection:

Saturday 12th December 2015; from 13h00 to 16h00
Sunday 13th December 2015; from 09h00 to 12h00

5.3 Dates of racing:

Date

13 th December	Tune up race	14h00
14 th December	Racing	
15 th December	Racing	
16 th December	Team Racing – If normal racing is on schedule.	
17 th December	Racing	
18 th December	Racing followed by main prize giving;	

5.4 Three different courses will be used for different fleets, with two courses being sailed at the same time, details in Sailing Instructions or Regatta Notice Board.

5.5 A skippers briefing will be held at 11h30 on Sunday, 13th December 2015.

5.6 The warning signal for the first race will not be before 14:00 on Sunday, 13th December 2015

5.7 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the next day, as well as the final day, will be displayed on the notice board by 19h00 on the prior day.

5.8 No warning signal will be made after 13h00 on the last day of racing, 18th December 2015.

5.9 Number of races:

A maximum of 12 races are scheduled.

6 **MEASUREMENTS**

The procedure for measurement for each class will be posted on the noticeboard before 9:00 on the 12th December. Each boat (if required by their Class Association) shall produce a valid measurement / rating certificate. In addition spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta.

7 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available on the Regatta Notice board and from the Regatta Secretary on completion of registration formalities.

8 **VENUE**

Racing will take place at Wriggleswade Dam, Stutterheim, Eastern Cape

9 **THE COURSES**

The courses will be indicated in the Sailing Instructions or on the Regatta Notice Board.

10 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 Rule 44.1 is changed such that, for the multi-hulls only, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10.2 A boat intending to protest another boat, or seek redress, shall, in addition to the requirements of Rule 61, inform the Race Committee of their intention to protest when they finish, or retire. This changes Rule 61.

11 **SCORING**

11.1 Low Point System of Appendix A4 will apply.

11.2 Where a boat is entered into an "O" class (see para 3.4 above) her finishing position will be determined by using the Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme (PYS) as published by the RYA to determine her corrected time. (Note that by reference in the PYS the SCHRS ratings will be used for multihulls).

11.3 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.4.1 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.4.2 When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.4.3 When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.

12 **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as a National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- * A minimum of ten valid entries have been received, and paid for, at close of registration.
- * At least ten finishers in any two races of the series.
- * At least four races completed.

13 **SAFETY**

- 13.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.
- 13.2 All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht.
- 13.3 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!
- 13.4 Additional safety requirements may be set out in the Sailing Instructions.
- 13.5 Jury boats will be on the course.

14 **SUPPORT BOATS**

Coach or individual support boats shall be permitted at the regatta subject to the terms and conditions as set out in the Sailing Instructions.

- 14.1 Jury boats will be on the course.

15 **RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, 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.

16 **PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

SAS Medals will be awarded in accordance with the Requirements for National Championships, as follows:

10 – 14 boats	Gold
15 – 19 boats	Gold & Silver
20 or more boats	Gold, Silver and Bronze

Other prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority or the classes.

17 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organising Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organisation of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance min R 2.0 mil to cover any liability arising during the event.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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Mirror Class
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