ILCA East Coast Area Championships
15th October – 16th October 2022

Hosted by Dabchicks Sailing Club, West Mersea

The Organising Authority is the UKLA and Dabchicks Sailing Club.

The notation '[NP]' denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Notice of Race (NoR)

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The relevant rules, policies, and byelaws of Dabchicks Sailing Club (DSC) will apply. The DSC Byelaws and rules will be available on application to the organising authority.

1.3 Class Rules are available on the relevant Class Association web site and apply.

1.5 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

1.6 Boats shall comply with the Class Rules as posted on the ILCA website. [DP]

1.7 ILCA class rule 7 (a) is restricted as follows "only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form" No substitution of helm is permitted.

1.8 Rule 40.1 shall apply at all times on the water.

1.9 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. (This changes RRS63.7).

1.10 Rule 30.4 (Black flag rule) is added to as follows.
At the sole discretion of the Race committee, they may display the last four numbers of the sail number for brevity provided there is no ambiguity.

1.11 Protocols relating to Covid 19 may be published at any time and will state if they have a status of a rule. [DP]

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on ONB after

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online official noticeboard is located at Official Notice Board

3.2 While racing except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]

3.3 Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be online. Competitors should note that the DSC WIFI system may not be accessible, and they must have a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.

3.4 Hearings may be held remotely under procedures which will be set out in the sailing instructions.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the ILCA dinghy class.

4.2 Entries will only be accepted via the event website, which can be accessed via the Entry

4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.4 The closing date for entries is 12/10/22. Entries after the closing date will only be accepted at the discretion of the UKLA and DSC. Please contact: Club.Manager@DSC.org.uk

4.5 Sailors aged under eighteen on the first day of the event will need to have a Parent/Guardian Declaration form completed and signed by a parent or guardian, to confirm that the parent/guardian understands and accepts that their sailors are entirely responsible throughout the event for themselves and their boats on land and on the water. Forms must be completed online via the event website.

4.6 The responsible adult and competitors shall register together online as shown in NOR 9.1.

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee for the event will be £50. A DSC member entry fee is available for £40 up to 1/10/22

5.2 Should the event be cancelled, a refund of at least 80% of the entry fee will be made after transfer fees. This will be dependent on the expenditure committed to by, and at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5.3

Cancellation Date	Refund
Before 23:59 12/10/22	Entry fee less £5 administration charge
After 23:59 12/10/22	No refund

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

N/A

7. ADVERTISING

7.1 Boats may also be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority [DP]

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration will be at Dabchicks Sailing club:

Date	Class	Open	Close	Location
15/10/22	All	08:00	09:30	Clubhouse

8.2 Number of Races

Class	Number of Races	Up to races per day scheduled
ILCA 4	6	3
ILCA 6	6	3
ILCA 7	6	3

8.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

Date	Time of first warning signal (not before)	Races	High Water
15/10/22	10:55	3	16:07
16/10/22	10:55	3	16:43

8.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1430

8.5 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race

8.6 Other events

Date	Event	Time	Location
Daily	Morning Briefing	09:30	TBA
16/10/22	Prizegiving	ASAP after racing	To be advised

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

9.2 Equipment protests will only be accepted from the technical committee, race committee or jury. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

9.3 Requests for substitution of equipment shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. A Competitor may submit a request online at Equipment substitution

10. CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT

10.1 Wet clothing may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules as permitted by RRS 50.1(b)

11. VENUE

11.1 Joining Instructions will be emailed before arrival.

11.2 NOR Appendix one shows the Race area.

11.3 The intended racing area will be the Blackwater Estuary

12. COURSES

12.1 The courses to be sailed will be Inner and Outer loop trapezoid with a 45-minute target time for each race.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. [DP]

14. SCORING

14.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 When fewer than three races have been completed, a boats series will be the total of her race scores.

14.3 When 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst.

15. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

15.1 All support and coach boats shall register with DSC in advance by email to the club manager.

15.2 Support Boats will comply with the support boat regulations as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

15.3 Support person vessels shall be allowed and shall be expected to act as part of the safety fleet if requested to do so by the Race Committee.

15.4 Support boats shall be controlled within the race area, they will not be free to roam up and down the course during racing, further details will be included within the Sailing Instructions.

15.5 All support boat helms shall attend all the safety briefing.

15.6 Each support boat is required to carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving all international ship-to-ship channels. RRS 37 shall apply.

15.7 Support boat drivers and crews shall wear a personal flotation device securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.

15.8 When the support boat engine is running, coach/support boat drivers shall be connected to a device that will stop the engine if the boat driver falls out the boat or is otherwise not in control of the boat.

15.9 Each coach/support boat is required to carry an anchor and line suitable for anchoring in twenty-five meters depth of water, a tow line, compass, and device for making sound signals.

15.10 Official, Patrol and Support person vessels may be required to be marked with an appropriate coloured flag and shall comply with instructions from the event safety officer.

15.11 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel including relatives of competitors who are not official, patrol or support person vessels shall not be in the racing area, nor shall they communicate with any competitors, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first race until the last boat returns to shore. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification for all boats associated with the support personnel who do so. [DP]

15.12 For the purposes of this rule, the racing area shall be defined as not less than 300m from any boat that is racing, and this shall specifically include an area not less than 200m immediately to leeward of the finish line for any race.

15.13 Competitors will not be able to place food, drink, and spares on Official vessels and/or safety boats.

16. CHARTER OR LOANED BOATS

16.1 **N/A**

17. DATA PROTECTION

17.1 The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, Racingrulesofsailing.org, your national authority and/or World Sailing and Racing rules of sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

17.2 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing 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.

18. RISK STATEMENT

18.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia of other causes. 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 boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

(f) The provision of patrol boat 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 competitor briefing held for the event.

19. INSURANCE

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

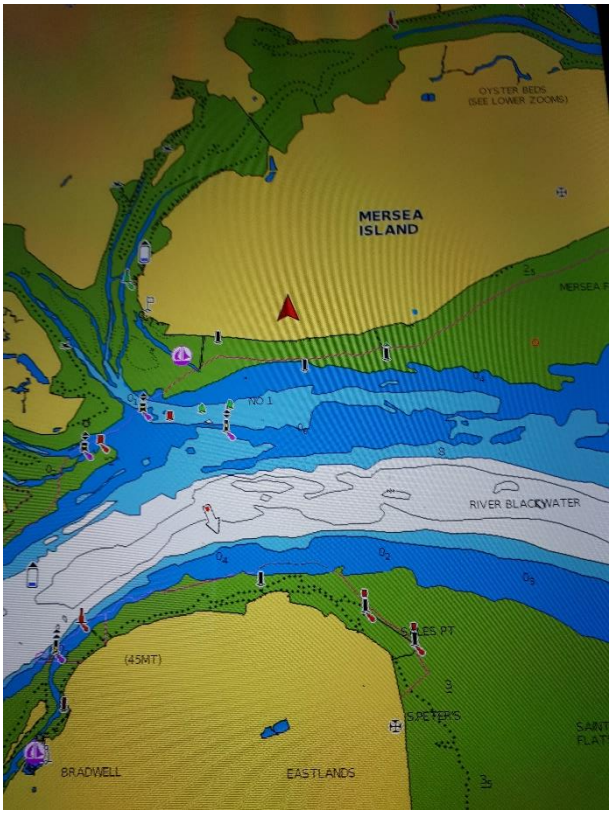
20. PRIZES

20.1 First second and third in each class

20.2 Other prizes depending on fleet size

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Dabchicks Sailing Club

Appendix One

Sailing Area