



NOTICE OF RACE

Dragon Open Meeting 2024 BDA Classic and Vintage Championships

Sponsored by Brooks Architects and Demon Yachts

Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd June

1. ORGANISATION

The Organising Authority is the Aldeburgh Yacht Club (AYC)

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing, The International Dragon Class Rules, the Aldeburgh Yacht Club Local Rules and the Sailing Instructions, including any amendments will also apply.
- 2.2 International Dragon Class Rule 13.30 will not be in force.
- 2.3 RRS 47 is changed in that the penalty for a breach of this rule will be decided by the Protest Committee.
- 2.4 RRS Appendix A2 is changed so that when three or fewer races are completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race score. When four to six races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her races scored excluding her worst score.

3. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY.

- 3.1 The Open Meeting is open to all yachts of the International Dragon Class that comply with the class rules and whose helmsmen are fully paid-up members of the Class Association. Within the Open Meeting:
- 3.2: The BDA Classic Championship is open to all yachts of the International Dragon Class of wooden carvel-planked construction.
- 3.3: The BDA Vintage Championship is open to all yachts of the International Dragon Class of GRP construction built before 2000.
- 3.5 Yachts may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the entry fee of either £55 or £105(dependent on crantage requirements) to the Aldeburgh Yacht Club, as specified on the entry form before 17th June.
- 3.6 Entries received after this date will only be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority and will be subject to payment of a late Entry Fee of £25

4. THE SERIES.

- 4.1 The series shall consist of a maximum of six races commencing Saturday 22nd and finishing Sunday 23rd June.
- 4.2 A minimum of three races will constitute a series.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Briefing: a briefing for competitors will be held at AYC Clubroom at 09:00 on Saturday 22nd June.
- 5.2 Registration will take place at the Race Office in AYC on Friday 21st June from 1600 to 1900 and on Saturday 22nd June from 08:30 to 09:00.
- 5.3 The first race on Saturday 22nd June will be at 1100. The first race on Sunday 23rd June will be at 10.30. A sound signal will be made at 10:50 or 10.20 as appropriate each day.
- 5.4 There will be up to 3 races per day.

6. MEASUREMENT & INSPECTION

- 6.1 Class Measurement Certificates may be required to be produced.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Each yacht entered for the series prior to the closing date of 21st June will receive a copy of the Sailing Instructions by email and
- 7.2 Hard copies will be available at registration at AYC on Friday 21st June.

8. VENUE

The racing area will be on the Rivers Alde and Ore between Iken mark and Dove Point. Relevant details will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

9. COURSES

The course to be sailed will either be windward/leeward courses using laid inflatable buoys or “Round the Cans” courses using either or both laid inflatable buoys and Aldeburgh Yacht Club racing marks – at the discretion of the Race Committee.

10. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS 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 and tablets etc.

12. TROPHIES & PRIZES

12.1 Trophies will be awarded as follows to the winners of the following events:

For the Aldeburgh Dragon Open Meeting the Coquette Trophy

For the Classic Championship the BDA Classic Trophy

For the Vintage Championship the BDA Vintage Dragon Trophy

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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 regatta. Competitors acknowledge their responsibilities by signing off the Risk Statement in the Entry Form.

14. SAFETY REGULATIONS AND INSURANCE

14.1 RRS 1.2 is changed in that all yachts shall carry safety equipment as detailed in the Class Rules.

14.2 Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of three-million-pound sterling per incident or the equivalent.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For further information contact: clubmanager@aldeburghyc.org.uk or [Patrick Gifford](mailto:Patrick.Gifford@Kinnordy.com)
Patrick@Kinnordy.com



Entry Form

Dragon Open Meeting 2024

Please enter my yacht for the above series:

Please tick other series entered as appropriate (all boats are entries in the open Meeting):

Classic Championship.....

Vintage Championship.....

OWNER/HELM

ADDRESS

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TELEPHONE:

HOME CLUB:

CREW NAME: 1.....

2.....

3.....

YACHT NAME

SAIL No

HULL COLOUR

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, and all other rules that govern this event. In particular I confirm that I have read the Notice of Race and accept its provisions, including the Risk Statement on the back of this Entry Form, and agree that my boat will conform to the requirements set out in the Notice of Race throughout the event.

Signed

Date

Please delete as appropriate:

1. I have made payment by bank transfer of £

2. I attach a cheque for £

PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR ENTRY AND OTHER FEES

PAYMENT WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED BY BANK TRANSFER OR CHEQUE PAYABLE TO

ALDEBURGH YACHT CLUB
Slaughden Road
Aldeburgh, Suffolk IP15 5NA

(Sort Code: 20-98-07 Account: 70370533 - please quote ref: Dragon Open 24 & your sail number)

Entry Fee for the Series (no crantage required)	£55.00	£
Entry Fee for the Series for non-AYC boats, including crantage and mooring	£55.00	£
Entry Fee for the Series (Cranage required)	£105.00	£
BDA Membership fee (if appropriate)	£35.00	£
Late entry fee	£25.00	£
Tickets for Saturday evening dinner	£25.00 each	£
Total		£

RYA Risk Statement

Dragon Open Meeting 2024 Competitors Declaration

RRS 3 states “the responsibility for a boat`s decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, I as a competitor agree and acknowledge that;

1. (a) I am aware of the inherent element of the risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of myself, my crew and my boat, to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
2. (b) I am responsible for my safety and for the safety of my crew, my boat, and our property whether afloat or ashore;
3. (c) I accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by my actions or omissions and those of my crew;
4. (d) My boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and I and my crew are fit to participate;
5. (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organisers does not relieve me or my crew of own responsibilities;
6. (f) The provision of a patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
7. (g) My boat is adequately insured in conformance with NOR item 14.2;

Skippers shall advise their crew of the Risk Statement which will be repeated in the Sailing Instructions.