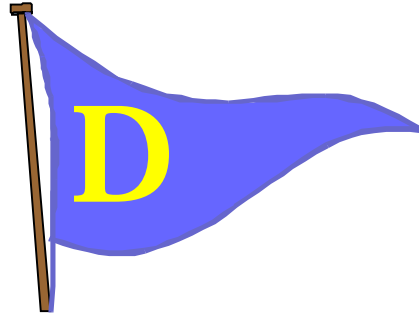


DABCHICKS SAILING CLUB



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

for

CIRDAN TRUST

DINGHY CHALLENGE

Monday 5th May 2008

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9.2 The following starting sequence will be used for all classes racing under these Sailing Instructions.

Signal	Flag and Sound	Minutes before starting signal
Warning	Class Flag hoist & one sound signal	5
Preparatory	Code Flag "P" hoist & one sound signal	4
1 Minute	Code Flag "P" down & one long sound signal	1
Start	Class Flag removed & one sound signal	0

9.3 Classes will start in the following order (if more than one start):-

Dinghies (Slow)

Dinghies (Fast) 5 minutes thereafter.

9.4 **The Start and Finish Lines** to be used will be:-

'Committee Boat Line' defined as a line between the mainmast of a committee boat and a nearby race mark, navigation buoy or inflatable mark laid for the event.

9.5 Competitors shall start in the direction of the first mark of the designated course.

9.6 The committee boat will be the Cirdan Trust vessel 'Duet' moored in the Mersea Quarters in the vicinity of Bouy 4.

10. RECALLS

10.1. Individual Recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.1. thus When at a boats starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line the committee boat will promptly display flag X with one sound. The flag will continue to be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre start side of the starting line but in any event no longer than four minutes.

10.2 General Recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.2 thus When promptly after the starting signal the committee boat displays the First Substitute flag with two sounds all boats in that class are recalled. The warning signal for the new start will be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound) and the start for any succeeding class shall follow the new start.

11. SHORTENED COURSE

If in accordance with RRS 32.2 the race committee signals shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds) the finish line will be between a rounding mark of the course and the nearby committee boat displaying flag S.

12. TIME LIMITS

RRS 35 is hereby amended:-

The time limit for all races shall be ninety (90) minutes. This means that any boat finishing within the time limit shall make the race valid. However any boat not completing the course in a further twenty (20) minutes (a total of 110 minutes) will be deemed to have retired.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 A boat, which wishes to lodge a protest, shall verbally inform the OOD as soon as possible after finishing or retiring. Protests shall be lodged in writing to the Clubhouse by 1600hrs on the day of the race, or within two hours of finishing, whichever is later.

14. SCORING

14.1 The low point system of Appendix A will apply and the Race will be scored as follows :

Finishing Place	Points Scored
First	1
Second	2
Third	3
Fourth	4
Fifth	5
Sixth	6
Each place thereafter	Add one point

14.2 A boat that comes to the starting area but does not start, does not finish, retires after finishing or is disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that come to the starting area. A boat that does not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the race.

14.3 **Corrected Times** - Each boat's corrected time will be calculated by applying its PY number as appropriate to its elapsed time for the race.

14.4 **Position in race** - The boat with the lowest corrected time wins and boats will then be placed in order of corrected time.

14.5 **Ties in the race** - Boats with the same corrected time in the race will be awarded equally the position as if one boat had that corrected time. Subsequent boats will be allocated positions as if tied boats ahead had been placed with different corrected times.

15. PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be limited in relation to the number of entries for the race.

Up to 4 entries	1st Place only will be awarded.
5 to 8 entries	1st and 2nd places will be awarded.
Over 8 entries	1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be awarded.

15.2 Prizes will be presented at the Club after the event.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 All competitors in any fleet must before racing sign on in the clubhouse and sign off as soon as practicable after racing.
- 16.2 All competitors in any fleet must whilst racing wear adequate personal buoyancy that is visible to the race officer. Wet suits and dry suits are NOT adequate personal buoyancy.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the OOD as soon as possible.
- 16.4 Failure to comply with any safety regulation may result in disqualification. *This amends RRS 63.1*

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the race 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 race.
- 17.2 The Race Organisers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew as a result of their taking part in the race. Moreover every competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race or races. A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. It is for boats to decide whether it is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that it is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 17.3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers 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 organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and including the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats and Beach-masters.
- 17.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities.
- 17.5 The boat is responsible to ensure that she is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know how to use it.

18. INSURANCE

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

APPENDIX ONE

The Race Marks to be used and their descriptions are as follows:-

Yellow Cardinal Mark:-

Quarters Spit.

Round Orange Buoys with Topmark:-

Numbers 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15 & 16.

Yellow Buoys with Black flag:-

Middle Ground, Southerly Outer Limit, & Numbers 1, 2, 3, 5, 12 & 14.

Yellow Buoy with Red flag:-

Easterly Outer Limit.

Yellow Buoy with Green flag:-

Westerly Outer Limit.

Fixed Beacon:-

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The position of all marks are shown on the DSC Club course card.