



## Notice of Race

Westeinder Zeilwedstrijden (WZW), Nederlandse Draken Club (NDC) have the pleasure to invite owners of yachts in the

### DRAGON CLASS

to participate in the 2020 edition of the

### **Grand Prix d'Aalsmeer series**

to be sailed on the 'Grote Poel' of the Westeinderplassen near Aalsmeer on

**March 28, 29: "Sneeuwruimen"**  
**April 11, 12, 13: "Easter Regatta"**  
**April 18, 19: "Final"**

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The sailing instructions may contain minor changes to the rules.
- 1.3 Rule 13.30 of the International Dragon Class rules (crew weight restriction) shall not apply. In accordance with RRS 87 this is approved by the Dutch Dragon Class Association.
- 1.4 Rule 11.11 of the International Dragon Class rules does apply:  
A VHF Radio may be on board, which shall only be used in an emergency.  
The race committee may communicate relevant information to sailors. The channel to be used will be published in the SI. The Racing Rules Signals will prevail.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

#### **2 ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with the respective Class Rules and ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Dragon class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form published on the website:  
Dragon: [www.dragonclass.nl](http://www.dragonclass.nl). Menu entry: Racing
- 3.3 For each weekend the entry and payment or order for automatic collection must be received before the preceding Monday, 12:00hrs.
- 3.4 Entrants are bound to pay the entry fee.

#### **4 FEES**

- 4.1 Entry fees: "Sneeuwruimen" € 120, "Easter Regatta" € 180 and "Final" € 120 shall be paid by bank order or automatic collection to:  
Nederlandse Draken Club  
account: **37.31.41.033** Rabobank, Amsterdam,  
IBAN nr: **NL42RABO0373141033** BIC code: **RABONL2U**.  
For entries or payments after the Sunday before each event at 23:59 hours the entry fee will be € 145, € 205, € 145 respectively.  
Entry made for the complete series before Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 will get a discount of € 25,= per weekend. In this case the entry fee will be € 345,=.

- 4.2 If an entry is cancelled, part of the entry fee may be refunded, depending on the financial results of the regatta, to be judged by the committee of the NDC.
- 4.3 The entry fee includes craning in and out of the water and mooring, beer and “bitterballen” and when entering the GP Final series: three tickets for the dinner on Saturday, April 18. Extra dinner tickets may be requested before Thursday, April 16 at €18,50 each at goedkoop.daan@gmail.com
- 4.4 Dutch participants of the Dragon class are requested to pay by automatic collection through authorization of the NDC.
- 4.5 Only participants from abroad may pay the entry fee in cash at the Regatta Office upon arrival; credit cards cannot be accepted. Payment by bank will be appreciated.

## 5 REGISTRATION AND RACING SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration on Saturday March 28, April 11 and April 18 from 09:00 hrs.
- 5.2 No warning signal will be given after 15:00 hrs. on, Sunday March 29, Monday April 13 and Sunday April 19.
- 5.3 The Soling class may start before the Dragon class.
- 5.4 The schedule of races:

Day	Date	First warning signal Soling	First warning signal Dragon	Number of races
Saturday	March 28, 2020	----	11:55	3
Sunday	March 29, 2020	----	10:55	3
Saturday	April 11, 2020	----	11:55	3
Sunday	April 12, 2020	----	10:55	3
Monday	April 13, 2020	----	10:55	3
Saturday	April 18, 2020	11:45	11:55	3
Sunday	April 19, 2020	10:45	10:55	3

- 5.5 If circumstances require, the race committee may decide to sail a fourth race. If a fourth race is scheduled for that day, the race committee signal boat at the finish will show signal pennant 4 at the finish of race three.  
The total number of races during a series will not change.

## 6 MEASUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate and insurance certificate upon registration.
- 6.2 Boats and crews may be inspected during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee (RC).
- 6.3 A boat shall register and use only the distinguishing letter(s) and sail number indicated on her measurement certificate. Requests to use a different sail number during racing shall be lodged with the Regatta Office in writing no later than two hours before the start of the first race of the day. The RC will only consider such request(s) if it is convinced the original number cannot be applied to the sail(s) concerned.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at the website [www.westeinderzeilwedstrijden.nl](http://www.westeinderzeilwedstrijden.nl) and [www.dragonclass.nl](http://www.dragonclass.nl)
- 7.2 The sailing instructions will also be available for your perusal at the Regatta Office on Saturday March 28, and all other racing days at the Regatta Office, which is located near the clubhouse of the YC Aalsmeer, Uiterweg 155, Aalsmeer, Phone: +31 6 40243675 (only used during the event).

## 8 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

- 8.1 Races will be on windward/leeward courses with spreader buoy and downwind gate.
- 8.2 The racing area will be “de Grote Poel” of the Westeinderlassen.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 No international jury will be appointed.

## 10 SCORING

- 10.1 For each race weekend the following applies:  
1 race shall be completed to constitute a series.  
When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.2 There will be a prize for the overall winner of the Grand Prix d'Aalsmeer Series.
- ◆ If a boat did not compete in one or more completed races of the regatta, her score for that race / those races will be DNC.
  - ◆ A boat's series score:
    - If 20 or more races have been completed, her 3 worst scores will be excluded.
    - If 15 or more races have been completed, her 2 worst scores will be excluded.
    - If 10 or more races have been completed, her worst score will be excluded.

## 11 PRIZES

- 11.1 For each series, prizes will be awarded to each member of the crew placing first, second and third.
- 11.2 The NDC will award a prize for the overall winner of the Grand Prix d'Aalsmeer series.
- 11.3 The overall winner will receive the "Cor Groot Wisselprijs" and will have this for one year.

## 12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to race. The organizing 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.

## 13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000 per event or the equivalent in the currency of the country of registration of the boat. The insurance has to be maintained fully effective throughout the regatta.
- 13.2 Personal insurance such as accident and health are the sole responsibility of each competitor or crew member.

## 14 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Yachts shall not be hauled out between the races of a series, except with and according to, the terms of a prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## 15 SHORE AND MOORING REGULATIONS

- 15.1 Entry fees include parking for trailers and mooring from Thursday before the first weekend to Tuesday after the last weekend.
- 15.2 Boats will be allocated mooring at WV Aalsmeer harbour. Please comply with the Organizing Authority's and the harbourmaster's instructions at all times.
- 15.3 Cars can only be parked at: Uiterweg 188. Please follow the directions of the car park attendants.  
Should the car park at Uiterweg 188 and at the neighbour's premises ("Code Zero") be full, cars of competitors may be parked at the WVA parking lot, however parking space is limited and it is possible that some cars are blocked by cars of other competitors, who are still sailing. Please leave your cellphone number in the car so we can reach you if necessary.
- 15.4 You are to inform the harbourmaster (mobile +31 6 555 666 24) of your date and time of arrival prior to delivering your boat.
- 15.5 The harbourmaster will launch and haul out the boats. Please be advised that parking and craning will **not be available before Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup>**.  
(For participants, who would like to arrive before that date, a limited parking and craning facility is available at the neighbour's premises ("Code Zero").  
Participants who would like to use this facility, shall contact Jan Bakker at [jan.ag.bakker@gmail.com](mailto:jan.ag.bakker@gmail.com).)
- 15.6 Craning will be available on Saturdays from 08:00 and on Sunday after racing. For craning at other times please contact the harbourmaster.

- 15.7 The traffic rules, in particular those concerning parking, will be strictly enforced.  
There might be other boats parked at the parking area, but there should be ample space for Dragons.
- 15.8 Do not lock your trailer, as the harbourmaster must be able to move your trailer, if necessary.

## **16 SOCIALS**

- “Sneeuwruimen”: Beer and ‘bitterballen’, award ceremony on Sunday respectively.  
“Easter Regatta”: Beer and ‘bitterballen’, award ceremony on Monday.  
“Final”: Beer and ‘bitterballen’, dinner on Saturday and award ceremony on Sunday

## **17 ACCOMMODATION**

- 17.1 For accommodation and tourist information see  
<https://westeinderzeilwedstrijden.nl/overnachten/accomodation>.

## **18 HOW TO GET TO THE YC AALSMEER**

- 18.1 From A4, take exit "Aalsmeer".  
Then take exit "Rijsenhout".  
At the round-about turn left.  
At the traffic lights turn right.  
After having passed a Shell fuel station on the left, turn right at the next traffic lights.  
In the village the major road bends to the left, you go straight ahead (dead end street).  
This is the Uiterweg. After having passed two bridges you will find the YC Aalsmeer on the left-hand side at number 155.  
If the gate is closed please call the harbourmaster (mobile +31 6 555 666 24) or ring the bell and (s)he will arrange entry.  
For driving directions see also [www.westeinderzeilwedstrijden.nl](http://www.westeinderzeilwedstrijden.nl) contact/route.

## **19 CONTACT THE HARBOURMASTER BEFORE ARRIVING WITH YOUR BOAT**

- 19.1 Please inform the harbourmaster at +31 6 555 666 24, before arriving with your boat at WV Aalsmeer.

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