



ITCA Eastern Area Championships 2024

Snettisham Beach Sailing Club

1st/2nd June 2024

Snettisham Beach Sailing Club, The Beach, Snettisham,
Norfolk, PE31 7RB, UK

Notice of Race (NOR)

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority will be Snettisham Beach Sailing Club (SBSC) working in partnership with ITCA East.

2. RULES

2.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in this NOR and the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2.2 The Sailing Instructions for the event will be made available closer to the date of the event, on the ITCA Website, and on the event Official Noticeboard.

2.3 [NP] An official Support boat and its crew may assist a sailor in difficulty, provided that assistance does not advantage that sailor by improving their position in any race. This changes RRS 41 – OUTSIDE HELP.

2.4 [NP] A capsized Boat, with Sailor aboard or in the water, and / or a support boat attending a sailor in difficulty or capsized boat, will be regarded as an obstruction.

2.5 [NP] Competitors and their supporters are informed that Snettisham Beach Sailing Club subscribe to the RYA Racing Charter and that by entering this event they undertake to compete in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book, *Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*, and on the RYA Website – www.rya.org.uk

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be made available at any time after 00:00 on the 31st January 2024, on the ITCA Website. The SI's will also be posted on the Official Noticeboard at the event.

The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions detailed in the RRS appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

4. COMMUNICATION(S)

The Official Noticeboard will be located in the SBSC Clubhouse Conservatory.

There will be no On-Line Official Noticeboard, however the NOR, SI's and other information will be posted on the ITCA Website :- <https://gbrtopper.ourclubadmin.com/event/1381> They will be posted at suitable times as we near the date of the event.

Radio Communications

[NP] Only SBSC Authorised support personnel, or the Emergency Services will be permitted to make Radio Transmissions on the event operating Radio Channels, for any reason in association with this event.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The event is open to all members of the ITCA Topper classes. This includes 4.2, 5.3 and 6.4 Rig configurations. Visiting Sailors will need to be fully paid up members of the ITCA, SBSC club members who are not members of the ITCA will also be permitted to enter, subject to reaching a minimum standard of race experience. Details of this requirement will be posted at SBSC in good time prior to this event. Please contact one of the Organisers listed at the end of this NOR for further information.

All Topper Class Rig configurations will start and race the same course, at the same time. Individual classe races may be shortened dependent on the prevailing conditions. Classes will be separated for the purposes of results calculations and Prize allocations.

Eligible Sailors may enter by completing the entry process, together with payment of the required fee, on the ITCA Website :- <https://gbrtopper.ourclubadmin.com/event/1381> - by Midnight Thursday 30th May 2024.

To be considered a valid entry into the event, a Sailor shall complete all registration requirements and payment of fees due.

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the event Organisers. The event organisers have the final say on this.

The following restrictions will apply: Up to 48 boats may be permitted to enter, subject to the confirmation that appropriate support arrangements are in place. The initial entry limit will start at 40 boats, with a later review into whether a further 8 boats will be permitted to enter. Details of this condition will be publicised on the ITCA Website closer to the event date.

6. FEES

Entry Fees are as follows:-

Class	Early Entry Fee until 17 th May 2024	Standard Fee From 18 th May 2024
Topper 4.2 / 5.3 / 6.4	£35	£40

7. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising as chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority

8. QUALIFYING SERISE AND FINAL SERIES

There will be no Qualifying series. This event will be the only series.

9. SCHEDULE

Date	High Water Kings Lynn	Tide Height	
1 st June 2024	14:34	5.78m	
2 nd June 2024	15:44	6.06m	
	Who	Start	Finish
Registration	Sailors & Guardians	01/06/24 09:30	01/06/24 11:00
Safety Briefing	Support Team	TBC	
Sailors Briefing	Sailors	11:10hrs	
Launch Safety Fleet	Support Team	TBC	
Launch Sailors	Sailors (When D flag flown)	12:30 or soon after	
1st Warning Day 1	All	13:00 or soon after	
1st Warning Day 2	All	14:00 or soon after	
Prize giving	All	As soon as possible after the last Race	

Sailors are expected to be changed, with boats rigged and ready to sail, aiming for a swift and efficient launch, on time.

Sailors will sail directly to the Committee boat, AVOCET using best course made good. Sailors are required to avoid sailing down tide to the South, unless specifically instructed to do so by the Beach Master.

Races will be run back-to-back, on both days. There will be no opportunity to return to shore between races. Please prepare accordingly, by taking plenty of fresh water and snacks onboard, together with suitable clothing for the expected conditions on the day.

Sailors should expect to be on the water for up-to 4hrs, each day.

Should a Sailor decide to retire from the days racing, that sailor is required to make contact with an event support boat and inform them of their decision to return to shore. That Sailor is then required to sail directly to the SBSC Launch area, report to an SBSC Official and Tally off.

On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 16:30hrs.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

[DP] There will be no scheduled equipment inspection planned, however, Sailors will be expected to make their boats available for inspection, on request, at the discretion of the organising authority.

[DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 [When presented for inspection]

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

Sailors are required to dress appropriately for sailing on the sea. Temperatures can be expected to be lower than onshore, and potentially lower than inland sailing venues. A change in wind direction can bring significantly lower temperatures, particularly if changing to the North or Easterly directions. Intense sunshine is also a risk at this time of year. Please prepare accordingly with Hats, Sunscreen and any other protection measures you might need.

12. COURSES

The Course(s) to be sailed will be as follows, with final details posted in the Sailing Instructions.

The Course(s) will be either the standard ITCA Trapezoid configuration or a Triangle / Sausage. It is intended to select the best course configuration to take advantage of the prevailing weather and sea conditions.

The marks to be used shall be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

13. PROTEST AND PENALTY SYSTEM

The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. See the Official Notice Board for details.

Intention to protest will be communicated to the Committee boat after crossing the finish line at the end of the affected race, stating Championship / Sail No. of the protestee. No other information need be given at that time.

Completed Protest forms will be handed to the Race office no later than 40 minutes after the last race of the day. This time limit may be extended at the discretion of the Race committee.

[NP] The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 – scoring Penalty, will not apply.

14. SCORING

The scoring system will follow RRS Appendix A

One race or more will constitute a series.

A boats score will be calculated as detailed below:-

No. of Races completed	Rule
1 or 2 races	All races to count
3 to 6 races	All races to count minus the sailors discardable worst score

15. SUPPORT PERSONS / VESSELS

[NP] No Support persons / vessels shall launch for this event without the express permission granted by, and at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16. BOATS SAILING WITH UNOFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION CHARACTERS

A boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee are informed and have approved her sail identification before the first race. Informed means information recorded at registration on the required form, and the Sailor making themselves known to the event organisers.

17. BERTHING

[DP] Boats and Trailer shall be kept in the designated area while ashore / in the boat park.

18. PRIVACY POLICY

The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in this 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. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, The ITCA and or World Sailing. The results of the event, and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published. Photography and /or Video of any kind, may be used in support of the event and may be published.

19. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 or other causes. In the first instance of doubt, this responsibility will transfer directly to the Parent / Guardian of the Sailor involved.

20. INSURANCE

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

21. PRIZES

- ITCA 4.2 Eastern Area Trophy
- ITCA 5.3 Eastern Area Championships Perpetual Trophy
- ITCA 5.3 Eastern Area Championship Trophy
- ITCA 6.4 Eastern Area Championship Trophy
- Each Fleet to receive runner-up prizes to approximately the square root of the entry to a maximum of 5th position.
- Further Prizes to be awarded at the Organising Authorities discretion.

Notice of Race Ends here.

FURTHER INFORMATION

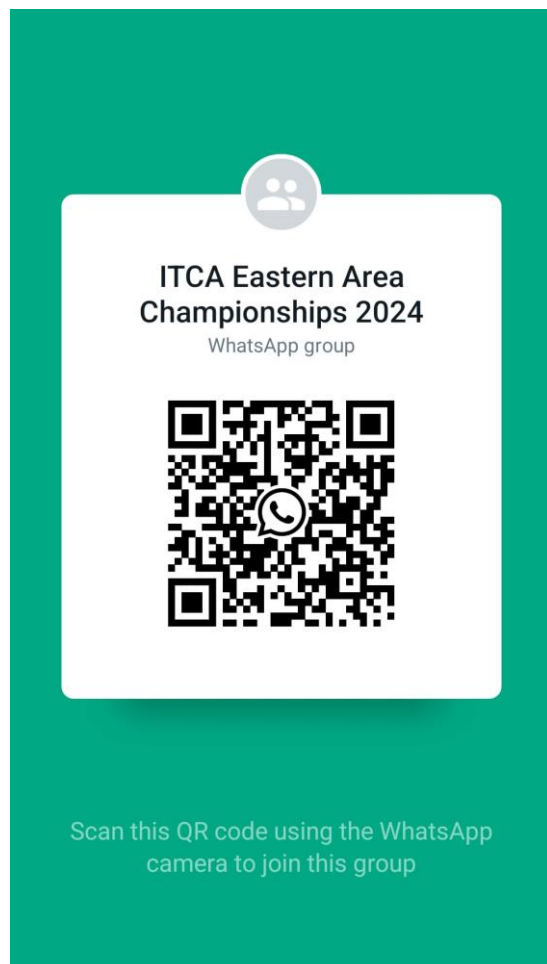
For further information please contact:-

- John Eaton – 07713313588 / john.eaton@britishsugar.com
- Nathan Franklin juniorconvenor.sbcs@gmail.com

Snettisham Beach Sailing Club will publicise further information regarding this event in due Course to include:-

- Catering & Entertainment Arrangements
- Camping and Campervan arrangements, both On and Off-site.
- Further Accommodation options
- Further Prize presentations.
- Any other additional arrangements designed to make your visit as enjoyable as possible for Sailor and Family.

This information will be publicised as deemed appropriate, on the SBSC Website, ITCA Website and ITCA East social media.



Snettisham Beach Sailing Club :- <https://www.snetbeach.co.uk/>

ITCA Website :- <https://www.itca-gbr.co.uk/>

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