

Notice of Race
Open Dutch Championships 2014
International 470 Class

16 and 17 of august 2014

Venue, WV Scharendijke, Grevelingenmeer, near Scharendijke (NL)

Organizing Authority: The races will be organised by Royal Yacht Club België,
Koninklijke Watersport Vereniging De Kaag, Watersport Vereniging Scharendijke

in conjunction with the involved Dutch 470 Class Organization.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016. The prescriptions of the Dutch National Authority will apply, together with the International 470 Class Rules. The Sailing Instructions may change some rules.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.3 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall be a member of a Yacht Club or other body affiliated with the Dutch National Authority and shall have the required license. The licences will be checked before or upon registration.
- 1.4 Change of crew during the regatta is subject to approval by the race committee. Approval will not be given when the required licence cannot be shown.

2 Advertising

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with the class rules and ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats will be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 2.3 The following parts of the hulls and sails must be left clear for the possible display of supplied advertising:
 - i) the front 1m of the bow
 - ii) the bottom 10% of the mainsail
 - iii) the front 50cm of the boom nearest the mast

3 Eligibility and Entries

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 470 Class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on line entry form at the applicable Class website.
<http://www.ned470ko.nl/opensdutch/>
- 3.3 The closure date is August 10th, 2014
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Dutch 470 Class.

4 Entry fee

- 4.1 The entry fee for this event € 45,00
- 4.2 The Class secretary will e-mail payment instructions as soon as an entry has been received.
- 4.3 In the event of a cancellation there will be a levy made to cover the costs of administration including bankers fees before any monies are returned.

5 Registration en Race schedule

- 5.1 Registration shall take place on Friday 15th of August between 18.00 and 20.30 hours and Saturday the 16th of August between 8.00 and 11.30 hours at the Regatta Office.
- 5.2 Each boat shall confirm his entry for the regatta at the regatta office before the start of his first race. The following should be confirmed or submitted during registration at the regatta office:
Crew list with all crewmembers' licence numbers for crewmembers living in the Netherlands (NoR 1.3)
A copy of a valid Race licence for the responsible person on board (NoR 1,3)
- 5.3 The races are scheduled as followed:
Saturday, august 16th 2014 the first scheduled start is at 12:00 hrs, 3 races back to back.
Sunday, august 17th 2014 the first scheduled start is at 10:00 hrs, 3 races back to back.
A full starting schedule will be included in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.4 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

- 5.5 There will be no break ashore between races.
- 5.6 Any race whose warning signal is not given by 16:00 hrs on the last day of the event will be abandoned and not resailed.

6 Measurements

Measurement checks may be made at registration and may be made on the water.

7 Sailing Instructions

The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will be issued on the applicable website and can be downloaded. These documents will also be available at the regatta office.

8 Venue & Location Race area

8.1 Venue:

Jachthaven Scharendijke
Haven Kloosternol 2
4322 AK Scharendijke (NL)
+31 111 67 12 64 (tel Harbourmaster)

8.2 For directions to the location of the regatta location:

Please refer to <http://www.havenscharendijke.nl/contact-en-route>

8.3 The race area will be presented to competitors at the competitors briefing and included in the Sailing Instructions. Please beware that the race area is approx 2.5Nm sailing from the venue.

8.4 The event is an integral part of the annual Benelux Championships. Other classes taking part in this event are: Laser Std. / 4.7 / Radial, Solo, Snipe, FD, FJ, Finn, RS 500 and Vaurien.

9 Courses

The courses to be used will be presented to competitors at the competitors briefing and included in the Sailing Instructions

10 Penalty System

Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving rules of RRS Part 2. The full text of this rule will appear in the Sailing Instructions.

11 Scoring

11.1 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 (a) When fewer than Five (5) races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When Five (5) or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 Support Boats

12.1 Support and coach boats are requested to inform the Dutch 470 class organization in advance by e-mail when entering but must register before the first start of the first race and shall be marked with a number on a clearly visible place. This number must be obtained from the Organizers. The marina mooring fee of 50 Euro per RiB or coach boat will be collected at registration.

12.2 All support boats shall comply with local and event regulations.

12.3 Each support boat shall carry a VHF radio and should also carry a mobile phone, call sign and telephone number to be advised to the event Safety Officer.

12.4 The VHF channel used on the racing area will be advised at the competitors briefing.

12.5 Kill cords shall be worn whilst engines are running, the course safety officer will be looking out for compliance on this issue, there are no excuses and boats may be requested to leave the race area immediately if kill cords are not being used appropriately.

12.6 An official event photographer may move between the starting line and course marks in order to photograph the event, this boat will display a distinguishing flag.

- 13 Berthing**
Boats shall be kept in the assigned places in the boat and trailer park while ashore, unless instructed otherwise.
- 14 Safety and Radio communication**
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. The VHF is to be used solemnly for safety communication.
- 15 Trophies**
The responsible person of the winning boat of the Dutch Championship acquires the title "Dutch Champion", the medal(s) and the Blue Pennant of the RNWA."
- 16 Disclaimer of Liability**
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The KVV De Kaag, RYCB and WV Scharendijke, the involved Class Organization, the Dutch National Authority, the involved Race Committee, any other parties and/or persons involved in the organization of the races and persons who are being used by these parties, will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained, direct or indirect, in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 17 Insurance**
Each participating boat, including support boats, shall be insured with a valid third-party Liability Insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,= per event or the equivalent.
- 18 Indemnification**
To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify and hold the involved Class Organization, the RYCB, WV Scharendijke, KVV De Kaag, owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, committee persons and race officials acting in their capacities harmless, from any third party claim to the extent arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.
- 19 & 20 Spare**
- 21 Photography Consent**
By entering the regatta competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the regatta and/or using regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.
- 22 Changes to the Notice of Race**
This Notice of Race may be subject to amendments which will be identified on the applicable Class Organization website.
- 23 Further Information**
- 23.1 Accommodation
There are limited spaces available for camper vans in the Marina. The cost is €12.50/£10 per night. Arrival no earlier than Wednesday.

Other accommodation information will be on the class associations website. There is a mix of camping and holiday park accommodation nearby.
- 23.2 For all other further information be advised to follow the website of the Class Organization.

Contacts:

Dutch 470 Class Organization: <http://www.ned470ko.nl/opendutch/>