

Notice of Race

Greystones Sailing Club

Taste of Greystones Cruiser Regatta

August 31st 2014

The Greystones Sailing Club "Taste Of Greystones" Cruiser Regatta will be held at Greystones Sailing Club, Sunday Aug 31st 2014 .

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Regatta is organised by Greystones Sailing Club

All entries and enquiries should be addressed to:

Organising Committee Chairman,

Greystones Sailing Club,

North Beach

Greystones,

Co. Wicklow

Email Daragh@focusadvertising.ie

2.0 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association (ISA), the ISA ECHO Performance Handicap System, the ISAF/ORC Safety Regulations Category 4, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

2.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee.

3.0 DIVISIONS/CLASSES

3.1 Boats will be divided as follows on the basis of their ISA ECHO

3.2 The applicable handicap will be your current club echo but limited to 5% +/- the boats standard Echo handicap , This recognises differing sailing abilities but limits the extremities of club handicaps.

ECHO Class I Ratings of 0.900 and above

ECHO Class II Ratings of 0.899 and below

ECHO Class III White Sails Fleet – No Spinnaker

(subject to the Race Committee's right to allocate a boat to any Class).

One design classes will be scored for both echo and class where 4 or more boats from that class are entered.

Additionally 2 IRC trophies will be awarded for boats producing IRC cert 48 hrs before start , Starting order will remain as per above Echo bands.

The Handicap Bands for the Classes are provisional, and may be subject to change by the Race Committee up to 2 hours before Race 1, to provide an even spread of boats in the Classes.

4.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 The starting sequence for races will be:

5 minute gun, 4 minute gun, 1 minute gun, start gun

ECHO Class I
ECHO Class 11
ECHO Class III

4.2 The schedule of races will be as follows:

Race 1 Sunday August 31ST Warning signal at 10.45am

The start gun for one class will be the 5 minute gun for the next class.

Two races will be held on Sunday Aug 31st 2014

A target time of 2.30pm for completion of two race series has been set and prize giving is targeted for 3.30pm to allow visiting boats reasonable departure time.

The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend the Schedule of Races and starting sequence.

5.0 SCORING & DISCARDS

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When all races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her 2 race scores.

6.0 ENTRIES

Entries shall be made by completing the entry form and returning the form to Greystones Sailing Club. Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

Entry Fees: Class I: €50.00 Class II: €50.00 Class III: €50.00

Entry includes Free marina , Complimentary drink voucher for sailing club and beach house plus complimentary lunch courtesy of Greystones Harbour Marina and BJ Marine .

7.0 SAIL NUMBERS

Each boat shall show a distinguishing number on each side of its mainsail, which shall be the same number as declared on the Entry Form.

8.0 HANDICAPS

ECHO handicaps will be published on the official notice board outside the race office not later than 09.00 Hrs. on Sunday Aug 31st. Subsequent revisions following Race 1 may be displayed on the official notice board.

9.0 PRIZES/TROPHIES

Prizes will be awarded in each Class and will consist of 2nd , 3rd and overall prizes and trophies.

Prizes will be awarded to all clubs holding confirmed feeder races on the Saturday with Feeder race prizegiving in Greystones sailing Club 19.00 Sat Aug 30th .

10.0 REGISTRATION AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All entrants shall register with the Race Office in Marina management offices upon arrival. Sailing Instructions , Race card , Vouchers and Visitor Information will be available on registration and may be posted on the website prior to the event. The Pre-Event Race Office hours are:

Saturday August 30st 16.00hrs – 20.00 hrs

Sunday August 31st 08.30 hrs - 10.00 hrs

11.0 RACING AREA

Races will be sailed in Greystones area, South of Bray Head and North of Breeches Mark.

12.0 BERTHING

Entry includes free overnight berth in Greystones marina Saturday August 30th.

Early entry is strongly encouraged as limitations on number of boats that can be facilitated may apply Only race entry qualifies as an advance berth booking for the complementary regatta berth. . Please radio Marina or call Marina office on 086 2718161 on approach.

13.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Greystones Sailing Club Inaugural Cruiser Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Greystones Sailing Club and their officers, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of or damage to property sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Regatta. It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each owner or owner's representative to decide whether or not to start or continue to race. Owners shall acknowledge their responsibility on the official Entry Form and draw attention of their crew and associates to this disclaimer. Boat owners and crew shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring.