



Skerries Sailing Club

MERMAID NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

5th – 11th August 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

- 1.1 The Championship is organised by Skerries Sailing Club, Harbour Road, Skerries, Co. Dublin. Telephone: 01 - 8491233. Enquiries to be addressed to info@skerriessailingclub.com

2 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Races will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the ISA, the specifications and rules of the Mermaid Sailing Association and this Notice of Race (NoR), except as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any amendments thereto.
- 2.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.3 Owners shall be members of the Mermaid Sailing Association.
- 2.4 Entries can be made to Skerries Sailing Club via the race office.
- 2.5 The non-refundable entry fee is €150.00 and shall be paid in advance of racing.
- 2.6 **Entry Disclaimer**
It is the Competitor's decision to enter the Regatta or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their sole, exclusive risk, in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta, competitors shall indemnify the Mermaid Sailing Association, Skerries Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall acknowledge that the Mermaid Sailing Association, Skerries Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.
- 2.7 **Insurance**
All boats shall have adequate third party insurance cover. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

3 RACE AREA

3.1 The Race Area will be the waters in Skerries Bay

4 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

4.1 Registration will take place in the Race Office in Skerries Sailing Club.

4.2 Office. Registration times:

Friday 4th August 2017 1830 - 2000

Saturday 5th August 2017 1000 – 1300

4.3 Boats may be subject to scrutineering and/or measurement at any stage during the Championship. Boats may be randomly selected for weighing each day.

5 RACE SCHEDULE

5.1 Up to 10 races may be sailed

5.2 Race Schedule

| Warning Signal | Date: August 2017 | Time |
|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Practice Race | Saturday 5 th August | 1400 |
| Race 1 | Sunday 6 th August | 1200 |
| Race 2 | Sunday 6 th August | ASAP following Race 1 |
| Race 3 | Monday 7 th August | 1200 |
| Race 4 | Monday 7 th August | ASAP following Race 3 |
| Race 5 | Tuesday 8 th August | 1200 |
| Crews Race | Tuesday 8 th August | ASAP following Race 5 |
| Race 6 | Wednesday 9 th August | 1200 |
| Race 7 | Wednesday 9 th August | ASAP following Race 6 |
| Race 8 | Thursday 10 th August | 1200 |
| Race 9 | Thursday 10 th August | ASAP following Race 8 |
| Race 10 | Friday 11 th August | 1200 |

5.3 Two Races are scheduled for each day

5.4 At the discretion of the race officer, the schedule of races may be advanced by not more than one race per day.

5.5 No races will be started after 1500 hours on Friday 11th August 2017, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the warning signal was made before 1500 that day

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

6.1 SI will be available on or before Friday 4th August 2017 on ssc.ie and at Registration.

6.2 Championship Briefing will take place in the club house at 10:15 on Sunday 6th August

7 THE COURSE

7.1 The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

8 SCORING

8.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

9 BOAT STORAGE

9.1 Boats shall not be lifted, until after the last race on Friday 11th August 2017, except in the case of significant repairs being necessary and with the written approval of the Race Committee.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 The Mermaid Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner.
- 10.2 The Daphne Cup will be awarded to the winner among those boats eligible.
- 10.3 The Designer's Tankard will be awarded to the winner among those boats eligible. The winner of the Daphne Cup will not be eligible to win the Designer's Tankard.
- 10.4 Prizes shall be awarded to the skipper and crew of first three boats and crews overall
- 10.5 Prizes shall be awarded to the skippers and crews of the winners of the Daphne Cup and the Designer's Tankard.
- 10.6 Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the first boat in each day, and to the skipper and crew of the leading boat in the Daphne Cup in each day, who have not already won a Daphne prize, and to the skipper and crew of the leading boat in the Designer's Tankard in each day, who have not already won a Designer's prize.
Eligibility for the Daphne Cup and Designer's Tankard will be determined by the Mermaid Sailing Association.

11 MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 11.1 By participating in the regatta, competitors grant to the OA and its sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at the OA's discretion, any motion or still pictures, audio recordings, or similar media. This provision shall be interpreted as broadly as possible.

12 DINING

Bar food will be available in the clubhouse during the event and there will be a Championship Dinner on Friday 11th August 2017.

13 MEMBERSHIP

Competitors are granted temporary membership of Skerries Sailing Club on 5th - 11th August 2017, subject only to the provisions of the Club Rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

14 OTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 Suitable Moorings will be provided for competitors by SSC
- 14.2 Parking regulations are enforced on the Harbour Road and competitors should be mindful of this.
- 14.3 Competitors wishing to avail of camping space are asked to contact [SSC](#) and indicate space required.
- 14.4 Competitors wishing to park a camper van are asked to contact [SSC](#)