

8. Championship 2017 and 2018

Ciaran Brannigan, Commodore SSC and Brian McNally spoke about the 2017 championships in Skerries. The event will take place from 5th to 11th August 2017. There will be two championship races per day from Sunday 6th, each of 45-50 minutes duration. Starting times will be about midday each day. There will be no race if the wind is greater than 25 knots. The club will consider options for camping during the championship.

Foynes Yacht Club have written offering to host the 2018 championship. The possibility of organised coaching over the weekend followed by a four day championship is being considered. The possibility of an alternative venue was raised, but no other offer has been received.

The proposal to accept the Foynes invitation was accepted by 17 votes to 1. On the format of the event 11 voted in favour of the three days coaching followed by four days of championship racing with 6 voting in favour of six days of championship racing.

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- The Leinster Championships will be held in conjunction with the Volvo Dún Laoghaire Regatta. The regatta is a four-day event, Thursday to Sunday. Racing on Saturday and Sunday will constitute the Leinster Championship.
- It was suggested that an alternative venue to Foynes might be selected for the 2018 Munster Championship.
- The matter of boats being sailed only in the championship and not in club racing or other open events was raised, together with the idea of having to sail in a number of qualifying events to be allowed to participate in the national championship. The consensus was that there should be no impediment to participation in the Championship.
- Róisín McCormack that a trophy be awarded to the best young sailor in the class based on committee selection from nominees in each club. This was agreed, details to be developed by the committee.
- It was agreed to hold a prize giving event in Skerries early in 2017.

The President thanked the large attendance for their contributions and closed the meeting.

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President