



# Summer Series 2017

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May to Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017

Carrickfergus Sailing Club

## Notice of Race

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Rules of the National Handicap for Cruisers will apply to NHC classes.
- 1.3. Rules of the Ruffian 23 class will apply to the Ruffian 23 class.
- 1.4. The RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme as set out in the current YR2 will apply to the Dinghy class.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the NHC (Unrestricted and Whitesail), Ruffian 23 and PY Dinghy classes.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it to Carrickfergus Sailing Club, Rodgers Quay, Carrickfergus, BT38 8BE, or online at <http://www.carrickfergussc.org/> before they start their first race.
- 2.3. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: At the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.4. Boats must be helmed and crewed by members of Carrickfergus Sailing Club

### 3. FEES

- 3.1. Required fees are as follows: Free

### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Dates of racing:

Classes	Series	Dates of Racing	Number of Races
NHC and Ruffian 23	Early Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> May to 27 <sup>th</sup> June	9
Dinghy	Early Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> May to 28 <sup>th</sup> June	9
NHC and Ruffian 23	Early Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> May to 29 <sup>th</sup> June	9
NHC and Ruffian 23	Late Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> July to 29 <sup>th</sup> August excluding 11 <sup>th</sup> July	8
Dinghy	Late Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> July to 30 <sup>th</sup> August excluding 12 <sup>th</sup> July	8
NHC and Ruffian 23	Late Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> July to 31 <sup>st</sup> August excluding 13 <sup>th</sup> July	8

- 4.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1910.

### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at <http://www.carrickfergussc.org>.

### 6. VENUE

The Racing Area will be on Belfast Lough.

## 7. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as follows: NHC Cruisers, around fixed club mark. PY Dinghy around fixed club marks and/or laid marks.

## 8. SCORING

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

8.2. (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

8.3. The last sentence of RRS A9 is changed as follows: A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.

## 9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, 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.

## 10. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: 1st place for 3 or more average starters, 2nd place for 4 or more average starters, 3rd place for 5 or more average starters.

## 11. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

(b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

(c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

(d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

(e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

(f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

(g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event; and

(i) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims.

## 12. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact [sailing@carrickfergussc.org](mailto:sailing@carrickfergussc.org)