



Todd Chart Agency Ltd. Mid Lough Series 9th & 10th May 2009 Carrickfergus SC, Ballyholme YC, Royal Ulster YC 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. IRC Rules, Parts 1, 2 and 3; RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme; Laser SB3 class rules; RS Elite class rules; Sigma 33 class rules will apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the IRC, PY, PY Whitesail, Sigma 33, Sportsboat classes.
- 2.2. In the event of insufficient entries in a class they may be combined with another class racing under PY.
- 2.3. Eligible boats may enter online at the Carrickfergus Sailing Club website or by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Carrickfergus Sailing Club, Rodgers Quay, Carrickfergus BT38 8BE by 9th May.
- 2.4. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3. Fees

- 3.1. Required fees are as follows: £25

4. Schedule

- 4.1. Dates of racing: Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May 2009
- 4.2. Number of races: Six
- 4.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 11:00.

5. Measurements

- 5.1. Each boat in the IRC class shall produce a valid rating certificate.
- 5.2. BLYC PY Handicaps will be used for the PY and Whitesail PY classes.

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. The sailing instructions will be available on the Carrickfergus Sailing Club website <http://www.carrickfergussc.org/>.

7. The Courses

- 7.1. The courses to be sailed will be as follows: Windward/Leeward or Triangular.

8. Scoring

- 8.1. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - (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 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9. Radio Communication

- 9.1. 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

10.1. Prizes will be given as follows: 3 entries - 1st place, 4 entries - 2nd place, 5 or more entries - 3rd place.

11. Disclaimer of Liability and Insurance

11.1. A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

11.2. It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

11.3. The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2m sterling.

11.4. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

11.5. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

12. Further Information

12.1. For further information please visit the club website <http://www.carrickfergussc.org/> or email the race committee racing@carrickfergussc.org.