

BALLYHOLME YACHT CLUB ICEBREAKER SERIES 2018/2019



Organised by Ballyholme Yacht Club
30th September 2018 to 16th December 2018 and
3rd February 2019 to 14th April 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Icebreaker Series will be organised by Ballyholme Yacht Club.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules 25, 26, 40, 61.3, 62.2, 63.1, A4 and Race Signals will be changed. The changes will appear, in full, in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 Rules of the appropriate Class Associations will apply to that Class.
- 1.5 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is open to dinghies and multihulls.
- 2.2 Competitors shall enter each individual race by recording their names, class, and sail number clearly and legibly on the sheet provided for that purpose in the foyer of the Club **before going afloat**. In amendment of RRS 63.1 a boat contravening SI 14.3 shall be scored DSQ without a hearing.

3 FEES

- 3.1 There are no fees for entering the Icebreaker Series 2018 2019.
- 3.2 Boats without a current annual berthing arrangement at Ballyholme Yacht Club may be left at the Club for £20.00 per series. i.e. £40.00 for complete series. These boats must be removed at the end of the series paid for or will be liable for normal dinghy park fees.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The series will be run in two parts
- 4.2 Part One will run from Sunday 30th September 2018 to Sunday 16th Dec 2018 with 12 Races scheduled.
- 4.3 Part Two will run from Sun 3rd February 2019 to Sunday 14th April 2019 with 11 races scheduled.
- 4.4 One race will be run on each day.
- 4.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1424.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration and on www.ballyholme.com.

6 SAILING AREA

- 6.1 The Sailing Area will be Ballyholme Bay.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses to be sailed will be round fixed marks with a windward start. In the case where a windward start is not possible a shore start will be utilised.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM & ARBITRATION

- 8.1 The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the official notice board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Five races in each part of the series are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

- 9.3 When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.4 When from 8 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 9.5 When 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- 9.6 The two parts of the series will be scored as separate events. There will also be an Overall Series. Results for the Overall Series will be calculated by adding the net points of each "Part" together.
- 9.7 In amendment of A4.2 boats who are scored DNS, OCS, BFD, DNF, RAF or DSQ will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of starters in that race. Boats scored DNC will be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of starters in that race.

10 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 10.1 Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat. This changes RRS 40. wetsuits and drysuits are not considered to be adequate as a personal flotation device.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Each Fleet will have their own separate series and prizes will be awarded for both parts of the series. The Part One Prize giving will be held at the Icebreaker dinner after racing on 16th December 2018. The Overall and Part Two Prize giving will be held after racing on 14th April 2019.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone"
Sailing by its nature is 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 or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION

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