Notice of Race

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Taste of Greystones Cruiser Regatta August 27th 2017

The Greystones Sailing Club "Taste Of Greystones" Cruiser Regatta will be held at Greystones Sailing Club, Sunday Aug 27th 2017.

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Regatta is organised by Greystones Sailing Club All entries and enquiries should be addressed to:
Organising Committee Chairman,
Greystones Sailing Club,
No1 Greystones Harbour
Greystones,
Co. Wicklow
Email Daragh@focusadvertising.ie

2.0 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association (ISA), the ISA ECHO Performance Handicap System, the ISAF/ORC Safety Regulations Category 4, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

2.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee.

3.0 DIVISIONS/CLASSES

- 3.1 Racing will be scored under standard echo and adjusted club echo.
- 3.2 The applicable **adjusted club handicap** will be your **current club echo** but limited to $3\% +/_{-}$ the boats standard Echo handicap, This is extended to $5\% +/_{-}$ for bilge keel boats. This recognises differing sailing abilities but limits the extremities of club handicaps.
- 3.3 Boats will be divided as follows on the basis of their standard ECHO

ECHO Class I Ratings of 0.990 and above

ECHO Class II Ratings of 0.915 - 0.989

ECHO Class III Ratings 0.915 and below

ECHO Class IV White Sails Fleet - No Spinnaker

(subject to the Race Committee's right to allocate a boat to any Class).



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Prizes will be awarded for 1^{st} 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} **Adjusted club handicap** and 1^{st} and 2^{nd} standard Echo handicap (Where such an Echo handicap can be identified) The Handicap Bands for the Classes are provisional, and may be subject to change by the Race Committee up to 2 hours before Race 1, to provide an even spread of boats in the Classes.

4.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 The schedule of races will be as follows:

Race 1 Sunday August 27th warning signal at 10.55am

Two races will be held on Sunday Aug 27th 2017

A target time of 2.30pm for completion of two race series has been set and prize giving is targeted for 3.30pm to allow visiting boats reasonable departure time. The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend the Schedule of Races

5.0 SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When all races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her 2 race scores.

6.0 ENTRIES

Entries shall be made by completing the entry form and returning the form to Greystones Sailing Club. Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

Entry Fees: All Classes €75.00

Entry includes free marina berth, complimentary drink vouchers for sailing club and Beach House.

7.0 SAIL NUMBERS

Each boat shall show a distinguishing number on each side of its mainsail, which shall be the same number as declared on the Entry Form.

8.0 HANDICAPS

ECHO handicaps and adjusted club handicaps will be published on the official notice board outside the race office not later than 09.00 Hrs. on Sunday Aug 28th

9.0 PRIZES/TROPHIES

Prizes will be awarded in each Class in adjusted **club handicap** and will consist of 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} and overall prizes and trophies.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd in all standard Echo classes.

Prizes will be awarded to all clubs holding confirmed feeder races on the Saturday with Feeder race prizegiving in Greystones sailing Club 19.00 Sat Aug $26^{\rm th}$.



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10.0 REGISTRATION AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All entrants shall register with the Race Office in the Greystones sailing club management offices upon arrival. Sailing Instructions, Race Card, Vouchers and Visitor Information will be available on registration and may be posted on the website prior to the event. The Pre-Event Race Office hours are:

Saturday August 26^{th} 14.00 hrs - 20.00 hrs

Sunday August 27th 08.30 hrs - 10.00 hrs

It is important to register early to allow clarity of all boats handicaps.

11.0 RACING AREA

Races will be sailed in Greystones area, South of Bray Head and North of Breeches Mark.

12.0 BERTHING

Entry includes free overnight berth in Greystones marina Saturday August 26th. Early entry is strongly encourage to assist in the management of an expected large fleet. Only boats actually racing on Sunday qualify for the complementary regatta berth and will require a marina voucher available at registration. Please radio Marina on ch 37 or call Marina office on 086 2718161 on approach.

13.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Greystones Sailing Club Cruiser Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Greystones Sailing Club and their officers, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of or damage to property sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Regatta. It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each owner or owner's representative to decide whether or not to start or continue to race. Owners shall acknowledge their responsibility on the official Entry Form and draw attention of their crew and associates to this disclaimer. Boat owners and crew shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring.