



EAST DOWN YACHT CLUB

Club Series Races 2020 season

Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing

1.2 The Prescriptions of the RYA will apply.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 Entry is open to all yachts and dinghies belonging to members of EDYC provided that they satisfy the conditions for award of points in EDYC Club activities in accordance with Club Rules 30 (Unpaid subscriptions) and 42 (Navigation , Racing and Sailing plus insurance).

2.2 Eligible boats should enter each race by crossing the start line of each race.

3 FEES

No fees are required for club member's boats competing in any club series.

4. SCHEDULE, CLASSES, STARTS

The dates of club races are

Wednesdays evenings.

12, 19, 26 August and 2, 9 September.

Starts and Times of Warning Signal

Classes	Wed	Sept Weds
Cruiser (Handicap, IRC etc)	19:20	18:50
Dinghy (Handicap, W etc)	Next	Next
Leisure 17 (Starting with Youth)	Next	Next
Youth	As above	As above

All start groups may have the option of two races at the RO's discretion.

The second race will start as soon as practicable after the finish of Race 1.

The Race Officer may sweep the course, giving an order and time of finish to remaining boats, to enable a second race. There will be no handicap adjustment for swept boats.

A boats NHC handicap will be adjusted after every race. An adjustment in Handicap is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

An IRC table of results will be calculated

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available as a download on the club website.

6 COURSES

Courses will start from within Holme Bay and will be around marks laid within Strangford Lough. Due to the attempt to have two races and in restricting risk exposure - races will be short.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM

The exoneration penalty and the advisory hearing and RYA arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available

8 Scoring and Awards

Scoring shall be in accordance with the Low Points System of RRS Appendix A, 4.1. The number of races to count in a Series shall be fewer than the number of races sailed in accordance with the following scale, and shall be subject to the restriction that points awarded for a disqualification for unfair sailing shall not be discarded:

Number of races sailed	Number of discards
10, or more	3
7-9	2
5-6	1
4 or less	0 (all to count)

Awards & Prizes, - class related

The Cruiser start is to include all cruisers not eligible for an alternative start eg L17 is not in Cruiser. Those classes in Cruiser Start are Cruiser I , Cruiser II and Cruiser RS - but will be scored in sub groups as last year (2019).

The Dinghy Start is to include PY dinghies of any known PY handicap including W, GP14 etc - but will be scored in sub groups as last year.

The Youth Start - will encompass those helms under 18 as well as those L17 who wish to race.

Awards & Prizes, will be given as follows:

Overall Series Class Championship. Awarded in each class, to the boat with the least points based on its best scores from 5 race starts, including a maximum of 2 compensation points scores in all Series.

Individual Series. Awarded in each Series, in each class, to the boat with the least points from a minimum of 3 race starts and scored as above

~~Midfleet Winner. Awarded in each class to the best boat not placed in the first three in any of the individual Series based on the same criterion as the Overall Series Class Championship.~~

GP14 Overall Winner. Awarded to the best GP14 based on the same criterion as the Overall Series Class Championship.

Compensation Points for race and house duties. A boat may claim compensation points as described in the SIs under section 13 Scoring and Awards

9 Risk Statement

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

10 INSURANCE

1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million.
2. In amendment of RRS 40, all sailors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times when afloat.

Further Information

For further information please see www.edyc.co.uk or contact:-
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