



GIBNEY CLASSIC 2016

Organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd.

Saturday 9th July 2016



NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The Gibney Classic is organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd., Middle Pier, Howth, Co. Dublin. Telephone: 01 - 832 2141. All entries and enquiries to be addressed to the HYC Office office@hyc.ie

2 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Races will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the ISA, the rules of each class concerned and this Notice of Race except as modified by the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.
- 2.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.3 Eligible boats are those in the Classes that comply with the relevant handicapping system, rules and the entry requirements.
- 2.4 It is strongly recommended that all boats carry VHF Radios.
- 2.5 The Gibney Classic will be the scoring race for HYC Club Racing on Saturday, 9th July 2016
- 2.6 Entry Disclaimer
It is the Competitor's decision to enter the Regatta or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their sole, exclusive risk, in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta, competitors shall indemnify the Howth Yacht Club, its officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall acknowledge that Howth Yacht Club, its officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.
- 2.7 Insurance
All boats shall have adequate third party insurance cover. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry

3 CLASSES

- 3.1 Races will be provided for the classes listed below. Results will be provided for the categories specified.

Class	Class Flag	IRC	ECHO	Scratch	HPH
Class 1/2	No. 1 and No. 2	X	X		
Non Spinnaker Cruiser	No. 4	X	X		
Class 3 / J80	No. 3	X	X	X (J80)	
Puppeteer 22	A			X	
Howth 17 Footer	C			X	X
Squib	K			X	

- 3.2 **Racing Area:** Races will be sailed in the waters North of Howth. The start will be from a committee boat North of Howth.

4 **RACE SCHEDULE**

4.1 **Saturday 9th July 2016:**

Class	Class Flag	Warning Signal	Start
Class 1/2	No. 1 and No. 2	1225	1230
Non Spinnaker Cruiser	No.4	1230	1235
Class 3 / J80	No. 3	1235	1240
Pupeteer 22	A	1240	1245
Howth 17 Footer	C	1245	1250
Squib	K	1250	1255

5 **ENTRIES**

5.1 Boats may compete by entering online at <http://hyc.ie/open-events>

5.2 **The entry fee is €10.00**

6 **SAIL NUMBERS/ IDENTIFICATION**

6.1 Each boat shall show a distinguishing number on its spinnaker and on each side of the mainsail, which shall be the same number as declared on the Entry Form. Where relevant, the same number shall be shown on the genoa. Should a boat wish to change its sail number from that on the Entry Form, notice shall be given to the Race Officer before the warning Signal of the particular race concerned.

6.2 Classes 1, 2, 3 and Non Spinnaker Cruisers shall fly the relevant class numeral pennant from the backstay. Any boat not doing so shall be disqualified.

7 **HANDICAPS**

The following Handicap Data will be used in this event: -

7.1 Cruiser Classes 1, 2, 3 & Non Spinnaker : Boats will race under the relevant IRC Handicap System and/or the ECHO Handicap System.

7.2 Cruisers will be divided into the following classes:

Class 1 - IRC 0.980 and above;

Class 2 - IRC 0.919 to 0.979;

Class 3 - IRC 0.919 and below

7.3 There will be no crew limitations under IRC.

7.4 For ECHO Handicap, any change in the normal helm shall be notified to the Race Office results@hyc.ie in a timely fashion. Failure to fulfil this requirement will render a boat liable to a penalty.

8 **PRIZES**

8.1 Prizes will be presented in Gibneys, Malahide as soon as practical after racing

9 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

9.1 Sailing instructions and course cards will be available in HYC Marina Office and online from Wednesday 6th July 2016.

10 **MARINA BERTHS**

10.1 **Howth Marina, Friday 8th July 2016**

Subject to availability, a limited number of Howth Yacht Club Marina berths will be offered free of charge to visiting competitors for one night on the Friday 8th July 2016. Competitors who wish to avail of this should give prior notice to the HYC Marina Office.

(01 - 839 2777 or marina@hyc.ie)

10.2 **Malahide Marina, Saturday 22nd August**

Subject to availability, a limited number of Malahide Marina berths will be offered free of charge to visiting competitors during their attendance at Gibneys for the Prizegiving on Saturday 9th July 2016. Competitors who wish to overnight in Malahide Marina have been offered a 50% discount. Competitors who wish to avail of this should give prior notice to Malahide Marina. (01 845 4129)