



Howth Yacht Club

Brass Monkeys

Spring Series 2014



Notice of Race

Competitors should note that the ethos of the Brass Monkeys is to provide a “Fun” sailing series and should be sailed accordingly.

1. The Organising Authority (OA) is Howth Yacht Club Limited.

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (2013 - 2016), the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any amendments thereto.
2. Racing will be for Cruisers and boats will be divided between three classes. Boats will be assigned to their respective classes by the Race Committee and assigned classes will be notified on the envelope containing the SI.
3. A Non Spinnaker division will operate within each class. If you wish to declare to race without a spinnaker please tick the box on the entry form. Prizes will be awarded for the non spinnaker divisions.
4. The flags to be flown for each class are as follows:

Class 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Class 2	Numeral Pennant 2
Class 3	Numeral Pennant 3
5. Entry forms are available on <http://www.hyc.ie/openevents13/default.asp>
6. SI will be available on <http://www.hyc.ie/openevents14/default.asp> and hard copy, with class allocations, in an envelope in the Marina Office from Saturday 25th January 2014.
7. A series of 6 races will be held. One race will be held on each of the following dates:

Sunday 26 th January 2014
Sunday 2 nd February 2014
Sunday 9 th February 2014
Sunday 16 th February 2014
Sunday 23 rd February 2014
Saturday 1 st March 2014 (Followed by a prize giving lunch)
8. The first Warning Signal will be at 1025 each day of racing.
9. The entry fee is €30.00. Competitors are recommended to enter online at <http://www.hyc.ie/openevents14/default.asp>

Hard copy entry forms will also be available in Howth Yacht Club or to download at <http://www.hyc.ie/openevents14/default.asp>

Entries for eligible boats received after 1700 on Thursday 23rd January 2014 may be accepted only at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
10. The Race Area is North of Howth Harbour and Ireland's Eye.
11. The course will be as per the SI.

12. Scoring shall be as per R.R.S. appendix A4, low points system.
Six races are scheduled and if six are completed, two discards will be applied.
If five or four races are completed, one discard will be applied.
13. Prizes will be awarded in each class.
14. It is the responsibility of each boat owner to decide whether he or she should sail or not, in such weather conditions as may prevail. Competitors are reminded that they sail entirely at their own risk. The attention of each competitor is drawn to the potential dangers of sailing at this time of the year. In addition EACH COMPETITOR SHALL WEAR A LIFE JACKET and be aware of the ISA Safety Guidelines and its recommendations.
15. Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid, third party cover.
16. Competitors are granted temporary membership of Howth Yacht Club for each race day subject only to the provisions of the Club rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.