



Family Fun Race

(Organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd.)

Howth Yacht Club Sunday 4th June 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Format and Venue

The Family Fun Race will be sailed at Howth Yacht Club. The race is for boats sailed by single families only (see point 2.2 below) with an **emphasis on fun** rather than competitive sailing.

2. Rules & Eligibility

2.1 The event will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, with an emphasis on fun and sportmanship

2.2 This event is open to participants who qualify under the following prescriptions:

(a) Each crew will consist of members from the **same family**

(b) One **core** member of the crew must be related to all other crew members by the following definitions: grandparent, parent, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandchild, nephew, niece, uncle, aunt or spouse.

2.3 Spinnakers shall not be used.

2.4 This is a fun race and **protests will not be entertained**. All disputes are to be settled on the water or in the dunk tank ashore!

3. Safety

Personal Flotation Devices shall be worn at all times by all competitors whilst afloat.

4. Racing Area

The race will be sailed in Howth sound, Balcadden Bay and around Ireland's Eye.

5. Schedule of Race

Time of first Warning Signal for the race shall be at 1355.

There will be 2 separate starts as follows;

Start 1 (1400): Class 1/2/3 & J80's combined -non spinnaker

Start 2 (1405): Class - Howth 17, Puppeteers, Squib

6. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded as follows,

- *1st, 2nd, 3rd for each start (ECHO for Start 1, Scratch for Start 2)*
- *Boat with most family generations on board*
- *Boat with highest average crew age*
- *Boat with lowest average crew age*

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.hyc.ie.

8. Entries

8.1 Entries shall be completed on the entry form available at www.hyc.ie and returned to HYC main office marked 'Family Fun Race'. There is no entry fee, but donations to RNLI are always welcome.

8.2 Closing date for entry is 5pm on Saturday 3rd June 2017

9. Disclaimer of Liability

9.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race.

9.2 The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this race.

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