

HYC BURSARY POLICY

2020

Introduction

It has been decided to introduce a new style of bursary from HYC, which will be community based support to junior sailors to provide access to sailing through the Cara na Mara programme. Full details of the Cara Na Mara programme can be found at <https://questhowth.ie/product/cara-na-mara/>. The bursary is directed towards those aged 6 to 9 years old and shall be provided in the form of a voucher to be used on a one week Cara na Mara course - being an introduction to sailing.

Previously the bursary was in place to provide tangible support for those members who had qualified to compete in major international sailing events. After discussion the sailing committee (SC) has decided that the concept of a bursary in the current climate would be better utilised towards encouraging young people, whose families have no link to either sailing or the yacht club, to take up the sport and become involved in the sport in an age when access to the sport can often prove challenging.

The bursary shall be offered on the following basis;

One voucher for a one week course in Cara na Mara to be offered to each of the four primary schools as listed below:

Burrow School

St Fintan's National School

Scoil Mhuire National School

Sutton Park School

The Voucher can be split between 2 children on the understanding that the payment for the balance of the course is made at the time of the application.

A child's eligibility will be decided upon by the school, however it is envisaged that the eligible child will not have previously had access to sailing or be from a family who are already members of Howth Yacht Club. Final acceptance to be made at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

Revision D:

This Revision D supercedes the 2015 HYC bursary policy and all other preceding grant policies. Revisions to this document are the responsibility of the sailing committee.

Responsibility:

The school shall nominate the child to the SC and in particular the Junior Organiser has responsibility for evaluating applications and sole discretion in allocating a place on a Cara na Mara programme, which will take place during July and August each year. Decisions of the SC and the Junior organiser are final and at their absolute discretion.

Criteria for acceptance of the Application

- Each school shall nominate one child between 6 and 9 years old (two children may be put forward on the understanding that the balance due to cover two places shall be paid at the time of application).
- The school shall provide detail on the suitability of the child to taking part on the course, together with confirmation that the parents have consented to the child taking part in the course and completing the application form in full.
- A boat shall be provided for the course, however the child must be sent in with suitable clothing. Lifejackets/buoyancy aid are available on a limited basis and if required must be requested at the time of booking.
- The application from each school must be received by the 31st March of each year and should be sent to the attention of juniororganiser@hyc.ie and quest@hyc.ie.
- Acceptance and booking to be made online by the relevant parents and if a voucher is to be shared between two children then the balance to be paid at the time of application.
- Final booking to be made by the 15th April each year.

The SC reserves the right to alter the conditions or cease the bursary at any time if it so wishes.

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