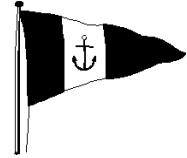




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1720 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

*Howth Yacht Club
3th – 7th September 2003*

Notice of Race

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY & VENUE

The 1720 European Championships will be organised by HYC Events Limited in conjunction with the 1720 Sportsboat Class Association from Wednesday 3rd to Saturday 6th September 2003 (or Sunday 7th. - see paragraph 7 for details). The event will be held at Howth Yacht Club, Co. Dublin.

2. RACING RULES

- (a) The Championship will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the current 1720 Sportsboat Class Rules (1720SCR), the Sailing Instructions (SIs) and any amendments thereto. In the case of any conflict between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs will prevail.
- (b) Boats may be required to carry event sponsor advertising.

3. PERSONAL BUOYANCY

All competitors shall wear lifejackets or adequate personal buoyancy at all times when afloat.

4. SUPPORT BOATS

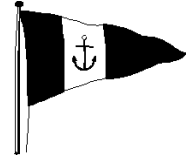
Individual support boats will be required to register with the race committee. There will be restrictions placed on the movements of such boats in and around the race area from the warning signal to the finish of the race.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Only boats for which the 2003 Class Fee has been paid shall be eligible to compete.
- (b) Sail buttons (Royalty Tags), in accordance with the Class Rules, shall be required.
- (c) The maximum Crew Weight Limit (1720SCR C.1.4) shall be enforced without exception.
(**Note** - facilities to comply with these requirements will be available at Registration.)

6. LIABILITY & INSURANCE

- (a) A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- (b) It is for the boat to decide whether it is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that it is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- (c) The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least €1.3 m.
- (d) Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats and Beachmasters.
- (e) The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities.



- (f) The boat is responsible to ensure that it is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know how to use it.
- (g) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the boat set out in this paragraph.

7. REGISTRATION & CREW WEIGHING

- (a) Registration will take place at Howth Yacht Club between 1200 hrs. and 1730 hrs. on Tuesday 2nd September and between 0900 hrs and 1000 hrs. on Wednesday 3rd. September.
- (b) Crew weighing will take place during the same periods as Registration and will be carried out for complete crews at one time and will be by appointment only. Appointment times will be notified on receipt of a boat's entry but may be amended by mutual agreement.
- (c) Each boat shall, as part of their registration process (and in compliance with Class Rule C.2.4), declare the tag number of each sail she intends using during the event. These shall be limited to one each of Mainsail, Small Jib, Large Jib, Small Spinnaker and up to two Large Spinnakers.

7. RACE PROGRAMME

Wednesday 3 rd .	Race 1 Warning Signal 11.30 hrs. Followed by Races 2 and 3
Thursday 4 th .	Race 4 Warning Signal 10.30 hrs followed by Races 5 and 6
Friday 5 th .	Race 7 Warning Signal 10.30 hrs followed by Races 8 and 9
Saturday 6 th	Race 10 Warning Signal 10.30 hrs followed by Race 11
Sunday 7 th .	Reserve Day - only used to bring the number of races up to 6 if fewer than 6 races have been sailed to date.

The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races.

8. ENTRIES

- (a) Entries shall be made on the enclosed form. Cheques to be made payable to "Howth Yacht Club Events Limited" and received by Friday 29th. August 2003. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee and upon payment of an additional Late Entry Fee of € 50.00. Alternatively, enter on-line at www.hyc.ie, secure credit card payment system in operation.
- (b) The Entry Fee is € 450.00, which includes crange and berthing.
- (c) Entries should be sent to: The Organising Secretary, 1720 National Championship, Howth Yacht Club, Howth, Co. Dublin.

9. LAUNCHING

Boats shall be afloat by 09.00 hrs. on Wednesday 3rd. September and shall remain in the water until the end of the event.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration.

11. SCRUTINEERING

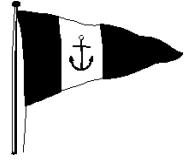
Boats may be scrutineered at any time during the event.

12. SCORING AND PRIZES

- (a) Scoring will be based on RRS Appendix A using the Low Point Scoring System. Eleven Championship races are scheduled of which three shall be completed to constitute a series. If fewer than four races are completed no discard will be permitted.



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(b) Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each race and for overall positions 1 to 5 inclusive.

Please note that all prices shown are in Euro

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Registration & Crew Weighing

Please note that Registration & Crew Weighing will take place at Howth Yacht Club at the following times:

Tuesday 2 nd September.	Between 12.00 hrs. & 17.30 hrs.
Wednesday 3 rd September.	Between 09.00 hrs. & 10.00 hrs.

Launching

Launching facilities will be available at Howth Yacht Club between 09.30 hrs. and 21.00 hrs on Tuesday 2nd September. These facilities, which are included in the cost of the Entry Fee, are strictly limited to these times and are available on that day only.

Social Programme

Tuesday Evening	Official Opening of the Event
Wednesday Evening	Cork Dry Gin Reception & Live Entertainment
Thursday Evening	Restaurant Night
Friday Evening	Restaurant Night
Saturday Evening	Live Music
	Prize Giving, Dinner, Band, Disco