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|  | **HOWTH YACHT CLUB****LAMBAY RACES****Organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd.****Saturday 7th June 2014** |  |

**Notice of Race**

1. **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**
	1. The Organising Authority (OA) will be Howth Yacht Club Ltd.,
	2. All entries and enquiries should be addressed to the Club Manager, Howth Yacht Club, Harbour Road, Howth, Co. Dublin. Phone: 01 832 2141, Fax: 01 839 2430, Email: office@hyc.ie, Web site: www.hyc.ie.
2. **RULES AND ELIGIBILITY**
	1. Races will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 - 2016, the Prescriptions of the I.S.A., the rules of each class concerned and this Notice of Race, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.
	2. Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.
	3. Eligible boats are those in the classes which comply with the relevant handicapping system, rules and the entry requirements.
	4. The OA reserves the right to refuse an entry if in its opinion there is a conflict between a competitor’s sponsor and the event sponsor.
	5. It is strongly recommended that all boats carry VHF radios and keep a listening watch on channel 77 (offshore fleet) and channel 08 (inshore fleet).
	6. The IRC Rules 2014, Parts A, B, and C (or D) shall apply.
	7. IRC Rule 22.4, “Crew Limitation”, shall not apply. There shall be no limitations on the number of crew or crew weight.
	8. Protest requirements: the exemption for boats less than six metres shall not apply. This changes RRS 61.1(a) (2).
3. **CLASSES**
	1. Races will be provided for the following classes and results will be calculated on the handicap divisions listed:-

**Offshore Committee Boat Starts**

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|  | **Flag** | **ECHO** | **IRC** | **IRC****Non Spinnaker** | **SCR.** |  |
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| Class 1 | No. 1 | X | X |  |  |  |
| Class 2 | No. 2 | X | X |  |  |  |
| Class 3  | No. 3 | X | X |  |  |  |
| White Sail Cruiser A | No. 4 | X |  | X |  |  |
| White Sail Cruiser B | No. 5 | X |  | X |  |  |
| Shipman | No. 6 |  |  |  | X |  |

 **Inshore Committee Boat Starts**

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|   | **Flag** | **SCR.** | **H’CAP** |
| 17 Footer | C | X | X |
| Squib | K | X | X |
| Puppeteer 22 | A | X | X |
| Ruffian 23 | U | X |  |
| E Boat | J | X |  |
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1. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**
	1. The 1st Warning Signal for Offshore Committee Boat and Inshore Committee Boat starts will be at 11:55.

1. **ENTRIES**
	1. Entries shall be made online at [www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie) or on the attached form. The entry fees are as follows:-

 Classes 1, 2, 3, & White Sail Cruisers €50

Other Classes €40

Cheques to be made payable to “Howth Yacht Club Ltd”

* 1. The closing date for entries shall be 2200 on Wednesday 4th June 2014.
	2. Entries shall be accompanied by the appropriate entry fee or credit/debit card details, together with a copy of the current valid IRC certificate, where relevant.
	3. Classes 1, 2, 3, & White Sail entries are automatically eligible for the ECHO division providing the boat is included on the current ISA ECHO list.
1. **LATE ENTRIES**
	1. Entries received after 2200 on Wednesday 4th June 2014 will be accepted only at the discretion of the Organising Committee and upon payment of an additional late entry fee of €10
2. **SAIL NUMBERS/IDENTIFICATION**
	1. Each boat shall show a distinguishing number on each side of its mainsail and on its spinnaker, which shall be the same number as declared on the Entry Form. Where relevant, the same number shall be shown on all sails.
	2. Should a boat wish to change its sail number from that on the Entry Form, written notice shall be given to the Principal Race Officer before the Warning Signal of the first class in the relevant Start Area. **Failure to comply with this requirement may result in a DNC or DNF.**
	3. Classes 1, 2, 3, & White Sail Cruiser classes shall fly the relevant class numeral pennant/flag from the backstay. **Failure to comply with this requirement may result in a DNC or DNF.**

1. **HANDICAPS**
	1. The following handicap data shall be used in this event:

#  **Classes 1, 2, 3 & White Sail Cruisers**

 ECHO Current ISA ECHO list

 IRC TCC values of current valid certificate which has a valid date on 1st June 2014 or earlier.

 **One Designs** Current handicap as notified by the Class Captain and/or by the HYC Handicap Committee.

* 1. The attention of competitors is drawn to the ECHO declaration on the Entry Form. All competitors in ECHO divisions shall comply with this declaration.
	2. For IRC classes a copy of the current valid rating certificate shall be available on board for inspection.

1. **ECHO/IRC CLASS DIVISIONS**

9.1 ECHO/IRC classes will be divided on the following basis:

 Class 1 IRC Ratings between 0.980 and above

 Class 2 IRC Ratings between 0.920 and 0.979

 Class 3 IRC Ratings of 0.919 and below

 White Sail Cruisers IRC Ratings of 0.820 and above

9.2 Where a boat does not have an IRC certificate, the ECHO standard for the type of boat shall be substituted for the IRC value for the purposes of determining which class the boat shall compete in.

1. **PRIZES/TROPHIES**
	1. Prizes will be presented in the Clubhouse as soon as possible after racing on Saturday 7th June 2014 and will be awarded on the basis of the number of starters as follows:

 2 boats = 1st

 5 boats = 2nd

 8 boats = 3rd

 11 boats or more = 4th

* 1. The following trophies will be awarded:

 Lambay Lady Special Award (see 10.3)

 Boyd Cup No. 4 17 Footer Scratch

 Sutton Cup 17 Footer Handicap

 Boyd Cup No. 2 Class 1 ECHO

 Juno Cup Class 1 IRC

 Longyearbyn Trophy Class 1 IRC (Best HYC Boat)

 Ernest Tweedy Cup Class 2 ECHO

 Heineken Trophy Class 2 IRC

 Lambay Trophy Class 3 ECHO

 Peninsula Trophy Class 3 IRC

 Bamford Trophy White Sail Cruiser ECHO

 Fitzpatrick Salver White Sail Cruiser IRC

 Knights Trophy J24 Scratch

 BP/Teeling Trophy Puppeteer 22 Scratch

 John Pearson Cup Puppeteer 22 Handicap

 Horst Cup Squib Scratch

 Findlater Cup Squib Handicap

 IECA Trophy E Boat Scratch

 Aidan J Colfer Cup Shipman 28 Scratch

 Ruffian Trophy Ruffian 23 Scratch

 The Summit Inn Trophy SB20 Scratch

* 1. The Lambay Lady, which is perpetual, will be awarded to the boat that wins its class by the largest time differential over the boat that finishes second. For Classes 1, 2 & 3 and White Sails Cruisers, it shall be based on the IRC results. For One Design classes it shall be based on scratch results.
	2. A boat in a One Design class may not win both a scratch and a handicap prize or trophy, the scratch prize shall take precedence
1. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
	1. Sailing Instructions will be available online at [www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie) and will also be available from the Race Office at the following times:

Tuesday 3rd June 2014 2100 – 2200

Wednesday 4th June 2014 2100 – 2200

Friday 6th June 2014 1800 – 1900

Saturday 7th June 2014 0800 – 1030

1. **RACING AREA**
	1. Races will be sailed in the waters north of Howth. Starts may be up to three miles north of Howth Harbour.

**Other Information –**

 **MARINA ACCOMMODATION**

 Competitors requiring marina accommodation, which is limited, should complete the relevant section on the Entry Form. Marina accommodation is free for visiting competitors.

 **MEMBERSHIP**

 Competitors are granted temporary membership of Howth Yacht Club on Saturday 7h June 2014, subject only to the provisions of the Club Rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

 **FACILITIES**

 All competitors are invited to avail of the facilities of the Club during the event. There will be a mix of entertainment including barbeque in the afternoon and, later, live music with a bar extension.

 Excellent cuisine may be enjoyed in a superb setting in Howth Yacht Club’s dining room. Booking is essential, phone 01 - 839 2100

 The attention of all participants is drawn to the car parking regulations in the vicinity of the Club. These regulations are rigidly enforced by the Harbour Authority.