# **SUMMER SERIES Beginning Thurs 20<sup>TH</sup> April 2017**

## Hosted by ANTRIM BOAT CLUB

## Sponsored by Blair's Caravans

## **Sailing Instructions**

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 RYA prescription will apply

#### 2. Notices to competitors

Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse

## 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the S.I. s will be posted not later than one hour prior to the scheduled start of the first race of the day it will take effect.

## 4. Signals made ashore

Signals ashore will be made at the flagpole

#### 5. Schedule of Races/Discards

One race will be held each Thursday evening commencing the 20<sup>th</sup> Apr, for 10 races. Starting signal will be at 7.30 pm. 4 races are required to constitute a series. 1 discard will be applied if 5 races are sailed2 discards only if 7 races are sailed and 3 discards if 9 races are sailed.

#### 6. Classes

#### Cruisers

#### A Spinnaker

#### B White sail

Handicaps will be according to the Antrim Boat Club handicaps published. If a progressive handicapping system is employed it will be reviewed every 2 races.

### 7. Courses

Courses will be set by the R.O. from the courses listed on the course card. The course to be sailed may be displayed on the veranda or on the visitor's jetty.

When a barrel is shown at the end of a lap the fleet shall continue racing for an additional lap.

#### 8. Entries

Competitors must register their entry with the Race Committee before the first race.

## 9. Time Limits

The time limit for the first boat to finish shall be 90 minutes. If any boat completes the course within the time limit, all other boats will be granted a further 20 minutes to complete the course. Any boats which fail to complete the course will be deemed to have retired.

## 10. Starting

The Start Line will between the flagpole and the outer limit mark. N.B. there is no inner limit mark.

The Start sequence may be accompanied by sound signals and will be as follows, this changes rule RSS 26

5 Minute warning: 1 barrel raised.

4 Minute warning: 2 barrels raised

1 Minute warning: 1<sup>st</sup> barrel lowered (no one minute rule)

Start: 2<sup>nd</sup> barrel lowered

Premature start: 1 barrel raised after Start

General Recall: 2 barrels raised after Start

## 11. Scoring

The low point scoring system in RRS Appendix A4.1 will apply.

## **INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS**

### A. Responsibility

Antrim boat club, its Officers and agents, accept no responsibility for any damage to boats or for personal injury occurring while afloat. Competitor's attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, especially in relation to races being run in adverse conditions.

## **B.** Security

All competitors should note the necessity to secure their valuables before going afloat

## **Protests**

In addition to the obligations in RRS 61 protesting boats shall, immediately after finishing, inform the RO of the sail number(s) of boats protested against in that race. Protest forms will be available from the Race Office and all protests shall be delivered to the Race Office within Protest Time. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This changes rule 61.3. Where the parties to a protest are available and are willing to commence the hearing before the expiry of the time limit, the Race Committee should facilitate that process. A schedule of Protest hearings will be posted on the notice board as soon as practicable each day. A charge of £15.00 is to be lodged with each protest, which will be returned if the protest is not deemed to be frivolous by the Protest Committee. Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final.