#### April

17th 24th 30th	Sunday Sunday Saturday	Rollins Insurance Spring Series Rollins Insurance Spring Series Opening Day combined with Final Race of Rollins Insurance Spring Series
May		

5th 7th - 9th	Thursday Saturday	Points Racing - Start of Early Series NIOPS Glenarm Race and
	Monday	Cruise in Company
12th	Thursday	Points Racing
19th	Thursday	Points Racing
26th	Thursday	Points Racing
27th - 29th	Fri-Sun	Cruise in Company to Strangford Lough

#### June

2nd 9th	Thursday Thursday	Points Racing Points Racing
10th	Friday	Todd Navigation Ailsa Craig Race (NIOPS)
11th	Saturday	East Antrim Boat Club Regatta
16th	Thursday	Points Racing
17th - 19th	Fri-Sun	Sigma 33 OOD UK and Irish
		National Championships
18th	Saturday	Donaghadee Sailing Club Regatta
23rd	Thursday	Points Racing
24th	Friday	150th Anniversary Keelboat Event (Day 1)
25th	Saturday	150th Anniversary Sail Past (morning) Templeton Robinson
		Royal Ulster Yacht Club Regatta
26th	Sunday	150th Anniversary Keelboat Event (Day 2)
30th	Thursday	Points Racing - Final Race of Early Series
July		

2nd	Saturday	Clyde Cruising Club North Channell Race arrives
4th	Monday	Joint Cruise in Company departs
7th	Thursday	Ladies' Race
9th	Saturday	Cockle Island Boat Club Regatta
14th	Thursday	Points Racing - Start of Late Series
21st	Thursday	Points Racing
28th	Thursday	Points Racing
29th	Friday	Campbelltown Race (NIOPS)

## August

4th	Thursday	Points Racing
6th	Saturday	Carrickfergus Sailing Club Regatta
11th	Thursday	Points Racing
13th	Saturday	Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club Regatta
18th	Thursday	Points Racing
20th	Saturday	Ballyholme Yacht Club
25th	Thursday	Points Racing
27th	Saturday	Co. Antrim Yacht Club Regatta

## September

1st	Thursday	Points Racing
3rd	Saturday	Portpatrick Race (NIOPS)
3rd	Saturday	Holywood Yacht Club Regatta
8th	Thursday	Points Racing - Final Race of Late Series
12th	Saturday	Closing Day Menagerie Race (BYC)
11th	Sunday	Autumn Series
18th	Sunday	Autumn Series
25th	Sunday	Autumn Series
October		
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# **THURSDAY CLUB RACING SERIES RACE OFFICER ROTA 2016**

July

May

5th	Kenneth Halliwell	7th	Alan Espey
12th	John Bell	14th	Ron Hutchieson
19th	Robin Armstrong	21st	Peter Arnott
26th	Garth Maxwell	28th	Paul Thallon
June		Augu	st

## June

George Gracey 2nd Tony Weston 9th 16th Peter Ronaldson 23rd John McKee 30th Fiona Hicks

September 1st **Rosemary Stevenson** 8th Maurice Flowers

4th

11th

18th

25th

Nigel Hamilton

David Milne

**Bill Whisker** 

Ron Whyte

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# **SAILING PROGRAMME**

2016 RUYC 1866-2016

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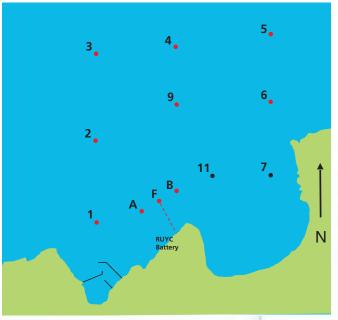
> HONORARY TREASURER R. P. Davis

HONORARY SAILING SECRETARY R. A. McKelvey

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# **RACING MARKS 2016**



#### NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATION

#### 1. RULES and CLASSES

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RYA prescriptions and the appropriate class rules. Cruiser handicap classes (except the NIRKRA Class) will sail IRC or CYCA and a copy of their valid certificate shall be lodged with the Honorary Sailing Secretary. The NIRKRA Class will sail under NHC. The Cruiser Whitesail Class will additionally have results calculated using the NHC system. 4586

### 2. STARTING TIMES, CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING PROCEDURE

In amendment of RRS 26 the start times and procedure will be as follows:

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	Class Flags	Thursdays	
Warning Signal		19:00	
Preparatory Signal	1	19:03	
IRC Sigma 33	1	19:06	
CYCA Whitesail	3	19:09	
N.I. Restricted Keelboat	4	19:12	
Laser Standard and Radial Laser 4.7 and Topper	5]	19:15	2
Bay and Waverley	Т		
RS Elite	E	19:18	ļ
Large Dinghy (PY of less than 12	00) R		1
Multihull	F	19.21	1

Signals will be made at three-minute intervals. After the first preparatory signal flag 'P' shall be left displayed until the last Class starts and the hoisting of the Class code flag will be the preparatory signal for that Class and the warning signal for the next Class.

#### 3. IDENTIFICATION

Class flags shall be displayed from or near the back stay on IRC, Sigma 33, NIRKRA Class and Whitesail Cruisers.

#### 4. COURSES

In amendment of RRS 27.1, the course for each class will be displayed with, or as soon as possible after the preparatory signal for that class. The Long Course to be sailed for the IRC, Sigma 33, CYCA Whitesail and NIRKRA classes will be displayed on numeral boards displayed on the west side of the front wall of the battery. These boards will have either RED or GREEN backgrounds indicating how the marks are to be rounded.

All other classes shall sail a Short Course indicated by a numeral board and an accompanying letter board displayed on the east side of the front wall of the battery. If no Short Course is displayed, all boats shall sail the Long Course, as indicated above.

Second and subsequent rounds may be sailed and will be displayed as above, when the leading boats approach the finish of the previous round(s).

#### SHORT COURSES S1 - A, 1, 2, B (All marks to be rounded to Starboard) S2 - A, 9, 11, B - A. 2. 9. B S3 S4 - A, 2, 11, B S5 - A. 9. B P1 - B. 2. 1. A (All marks to be rounded to Port) - B, 9, 1, A P2 P3 - B. 11. 2. A P4 - B, 2, A P5 - B, 9, A LONG COURSES

Two Buoys ('A' & 'B') will be laid to the South-West and North-East, respectively, of the red starting line buoy and approximately in line with that buoy.

The buoys 'A' and 'B' have no significance when starting. At the end of a round, or when Finishing, the Start/Finish line shall be crossed only in the direction that it was crossed when starting. When crossing the Start/Finish Line West to East marks 'A' and 'B' shall be left to Port. When crossing the Start/Finish Line East to West marks 'B' and 'A' shall be left to starboard.

When a boat finishes (in accordance with the definition) the second of the two buoys ('A' or 'B', as appropriate) no longer has a required side.

#### 5. STARTING LINE

The Starting Line will be between a red buoy (shown as 'F' in the diagram) and a white pole with an X topmark in front of the battery.

#### 6. STARTING TIME LIMIT

A boat starting later than 6 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

#### 7. FINISHING

The finishing signal shall be Flag 'S' displayed on its own if all Classes are to finish, or with Class Flags if only the Classes designated by those flags are to finish. In amendment to RRS 'Race Signals' sound signals will not normally be made when displaying this signal.

The Finishing Line will be between a red buoy (shown as 'F' in the diagram) and a white pole with an X topmark in front of the battery.

#### 8. GENERAL RECALLS

In amendment of RRS 26 and 29.2, a Class subject to a general recall shall take as its preparatory signal the lowering of the Class flag for the last Class shown in SI 2. If a second or subsequent Class is subject to a general recall its preparatory signal will be the lowering of the Class flag of the preceding recalled Class.

#### 9. TIME LIMITS

The time limit will be 21:30 during May, June and July and 21:00 in August. In amendment to RRS 35, if a boat in any class finishes within the time limit, the time limit will be extended by 1/2 hour for all other boats in that class. If the final round is not completed within the time limit by the leading boat of a class, the finishing time of the penultimate round of that class will be taken and points awarded accordingly.

#### 10. SIGMA 33 & IRC Boats

On Thursday nights (Inshore Club Racing) the crew limitation rule for Sigma 33s and IRC Boats shall not apply.

#### **11. ANCHORS**

No anchor carried on deck shall project forward of the bow.

#### 12. PROTESTS

Protests shall be lodged with the Race Officer or Honorary Sailing Secretary on the prescribed form within 1 hour of the finishing time of the boat or boats involved.

#### 13. SAFETY

The attention of competitors is drawn to the requirements of RRS 1.2 and 40 in respect of personal buoyancy. In amendment of RRS 40 all persons in the Multihull and all dinghy classes shall wear buoyancy at all times while afloat. Wetsuits and drysuits are not acceptable as personal buoyancy.

All keel boats shall carry an anchor with 20 metres of warp.

#### 14. SERIES and DISCARDS

The Early Series will run from 5th May to 30th June (9 races). The Late Season Series will run from 14th July to 8th September (9 races). The Overall Series will run from 5th May to 8th September (18 races). In any series there will be no discard if fewer than 4 races are sailed and 2 discards if 9 or more races are sailed, 3 discards if 12 or more races are sailed and 4 discards if 17 or more races are sailed.

#### **GRR15. RE-CROSSING THE FINISHING LINE**

Boats that have already finished shall not re-cross the finishing line.

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Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to races is hers alone."

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damaged or loss to the extent caused, by their own actions or omissions.
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

#### **17. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of  $\pounds 2,000,000$