



# Royal Ulster Yacht Club & Ballyholme Yacht Club Autumn Series 2016

11<sup>th</sup> September 2016 until 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016

## NOTICE OF RACE AND ENTRY FORM

### Organising Authority

This event will be organised by Royal Ulster Yacht Club (RUYC).

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules, Race Signal A4, 28.1, 32.2, 35, 61.3, 62.2, 66 and A2 will be changed. The changes will appear, in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 Rules of the IRC Class, the Sigma 33 Offshore One Design Class, NIRKRA Class, CYCA, Waverley Class and the National Handicap for Cruisers (HNC) Regatta scheme will apply.
- 1.5 Entrants may be required to carry sponsors advertising decals.
- 1.6 The crew number restrictions within the IRC and Sigma 33 Classes will not apply to this event.
- 1.7 Yachts racing in this series may remove their berth cushions.

### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The series is open to boats of the IRC Class, Sigma 33 OOD Class, NHC, NIRKRA Class, CYCA (Restricted Sail) Keelboats and the Waverley Class.
- 2.2 Classes will be split or amalgamated as necessary.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Royal Ulster Yacht Club.

### 3 FEES

Required fees are as follows: £50.00 per Boat for the seven races organised by Royal Ulster Yacht Club

### 4 SCHEDULE

#### 4.1 Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
11 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	1; until
23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2016	7

- 4.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 10:30.



#### 4.3 Class Flags

Class 1	IRC	Numeral Pennant 1
Class 2	Sigma 33 Class	Numeral Pennant 2
Class 3	Restricted Sail Class (NHC & CYCA)	Numeral Pennant 3
Class 4	NIRKRA Class	Code Flag Q
Class 5	Waverley Class	Code Flag E

#### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on [www.ruyc.co.uk](http://www.ruyc.co.uk)

#### 6 SAILING AREA

The Sailing Area will be in Belfast Lough off Bangor.

#### 7 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be Windward-Leeward with a Committee Boat start.

#### 8 SCORING

8.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When four or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### 9 ARBITRATION

An Arbitration System will be available for this event and competitors are recommended to resolve disputes using this method. Boats penalised under this System may accept a 20% penalty.

#### 10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

#### 11 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Classes with more than 6 entries	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Classes with between 4 & 6 Entries	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Classes with less than 4 entries	1 <sup>st</sup>

Daily prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee.

#### 12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.



### 13 RISK STATEMENT

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 race 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, damage 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 organizer does not relieve them boat 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

### 14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall not race with an anchor on deck projecting forward of the bow. Boats infringing this instruction shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1.

### 15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

email: [info@ruyc.co.uk](mailto:info@ruyc.co.uk)

website: [www.ruyc.co.uk](http://www.ruyc.co.uk)



## Royal Ulster Yacht Club Autumn Series 2016 Entry Form

**A. Details of Owner/Skipper**

Owner's/Skipper's  
Name.....

Address for  
correspondence.....

Telephone..... (Mob) .....

Email.....

Yacht Club.....

**B. Details of Boat**

Boat Name.....

Sail Number.....

IRC / NHC /CYCA Number.....

**NOTE : IRC Entries, please enclose copy of their latest IRC certificate.**

**C. Details of Entry**

Please Note that On-Line entry is now available at: [www.ruyc.co.uk/sailing/](http://www.ruyc.co.uk/sailing/)

I wish to enter for (circle where appropriate)

**IRC – Sigma 33 – Restricted Sail (NHC and/or CYCA) – NIRKRA (NHC) - Waverley**

**D. Fees**

I enclose the entry fee of £50. (£25 for Races 1 to 3 Waverley Class only)

I am paying by Cheque/Credit Card\* (delete as appropriate)

Please make cheques payable to Royal Ulster Yacht Club

Card Number:		Card Type:
Expiry Date:	Name on Card:	Security Number:

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. In particular I have read Paragraphs 12,13 and 14 of the Notice of Race and confirm that I agree to its provisions and that my boat will conform to its requirements throughout the event.

**Signature of owner or owner's representative.....**

**Date.....**