

THE WATERWAYS IRELAND LOUGH ERNE CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA, 2010 AT CROM, UPPER LOUGH ERNE

FRIDAY, 27 TO MONDAY, 30 AUGUST 2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The organising authority for this event is the Lough Erne Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The rules of the particular class/es will apply.
- 1.3 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2009-2011 of *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 A classic boat will be defined as one which was designed or constructed before 1969.
- 2.2 Starts will be provided for classes entering 3 or more boats. Depending on the number of classes and the entries in each, classes may be grouped for starts.
- 2.3 Entry for the event can only be accepted by means of the official entry form which is available to download from www.classicsailireland.com
- 2.4 The entry fee for the Regatta for all classes is £70.00 (or the Euro equivalent). A late entry fee of £80.00 (or the Euro equivalent) applies after 31 July 2010
- 2.5 Entries accompanied by a cheque made payable to **Lough Erne Yacht Club** should be sent to Lough Erne Classic Yacht Association, c/o Lough Erne Yacht Club, Goblusk, Ballinamallard, Co Fermanagh, BT94 2LW.

3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The sailing instructions will be available upon registration

4 SCHEDULE

DATE	RACE/EVENT	TIME
Thursday, 26 August	Registration at the Visitors Centre, Crom	14.00
	Launching facilities at Lisnaskea Boat Club, Derryad	09.00-18.00
Friday, 27 August	Late Registration	09.00-10.30
	Briefing	10.15
	Race 1	11.25 warn. signal
	Race 2	TBA
Saturday, 28 August	Race 3	11.00 warn. signal
	Lunch ashore	TBA
	Race 4	TBA

Sunday, 29 August	Race 5 Parade of Sail and Steam	11.25 warn. signal 15.00
Monday, 30 August	Race 6 Parade of Sail/Steam Prize Giving on the Terrace Lawn at Crom Castle, followed by group photographs at the Boat House Retrieval facilities Further retrievals by arr.	11.25 warn. signal 15.00 16.00

5 RACING VENUE

5.1 The racing areas will be described using course maps.

6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags and potential groupings for the start sequences will be posted on the official notice before the start of the first race of the regatta. This will allow account to be taken of all the boats that register to start.

7 THE COURSE

7.1 The courses will be at the discretion of the race officer and may include triangular courses, windward/leeward courses and pursuit courses or combinations of all. Courses will be designed to allow for competitive racing and to demonstrate the attractiveness of the area and the spirit of the event.

7.2 The courses for each race will be distributed to each boat 30 minutes before the warning signal of the appropriate race.

8. THE START

8.1 Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the Starting Signal.

8.2 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and a port-end starting mark.

8.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

8.4 The order of starting, taking account of groupings for start sequences, will be posted on the official notice board before the start of the first race.

9. THE FINISH

9.1 The finish will be between the mast of the committee boat and a yellow buoy displaying a flag. A further finish line, between a post bearing a blue flag at Old Crom Castle and the Crichton Tower on Gad Island, may be used if there is a suitable wind.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

In the interest of safety, the scoring penalty rule 44.3 shall apply. The penalty will be 1 place. The RYA arbitration of the RYA rules dispute procedures will be available (details will be on the official notice board)

11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1** The time limit is two hours for all races
- 11.2** Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in that class will be scored Did Not Finish.

12. SCORING

- 12.1** Six races are scheduled for this event
- 12.2** The low point scoring system will apply.
- 12.3** When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race score.
- 12.4** One race shall constitute a series

13. PRIZES

- 13.1** Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class. There will be special prizes for Linton C. Hope designed yachts. There will be an overall regatta prize.
- 13.2** Prize giving will be after the last race on Monday, 30 August 2010.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1** Competitors are required to notify the Committee Boat of their intention to protest as soon as possible after that particular race.
- 14.2** Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.3** The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 14.4** Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room at the Visitors Centre, Crom.
- 14.5** Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.6** On Monday, 30 August 2010 a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting re-opening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting re-opening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. All crew should wear adequate personal buoyancy while afloat.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall carry adequate insurance with valid third-party liability minimum cover of £2,000,000 or the Euro equivalent.

17 SOCIAL PROGRAM

Date	Event	Time
Thursday, 26 August	Food available in the Visitor Centre tea room during the day	11.00
	Bar service open in the National Trust Visitors Centre, Crom	13.00
Friday, 27 August	Welcome Party in the Inishfendra Room, BBQ in the Court Yard, bar and traditional Irish music	18.00
Saturday, 28 August	Display Class outing to Knockninny	12.00
	Full Carvery dinner in the Inishfendra Room, bar and live music	20.00
Sunday, 29 August	Parade of Sail and Steam Regatta Gala Dinner (Black Tie) in the Inishfendra Room, bar and jazz quartet	15.00
		20.00
Monday, 30 August	Parade of Sail and Steam	15.00
	Bar service closes	18.00

Please note: These sailing instructions, published on 25 August 2010, supersede all other published versions.