



# Brass Monkeys Spring Series 2023

## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is Howth Yacht Club CLG.

### 1. RULES

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, this Notice of Race (NoR) except as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes thereto.

EACH PERSON ABOARD A BOAT SHALL WEAR A PFD (Personal Flotation Device). RRS 40.1 shall apply.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions, including the course card, will be available online on the HYC website no later than Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022. (Note: Hard copies will not be provided)

### 3. COMMUNICATION

The official notice board is located at beside the Marina Office

All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating

On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Racing will be for Cruisers and boats which will be divided between three classes. Boats will be assigned to their respective classes by the Brass Monkey Committee and assigned classes will be notified on the official notice board.

The flags to be flown for each class are as follows:

Class	Flag
1	Numeral Pennant 1
2	Numeral Pennant 2
3	Numeral Pennant 3

Class 1 and Class 3 are non-spinnaker classes. If you wish to declare to race without a spinnaker, please tick the box on the entry form.

Boats may enter the event by registering online at <http://hyc.ie/open-events>

Entries for eligible boats received after 1700 on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January may be accepted only at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

## 5. FEES

The entry fee is €60.00.

## 6. SCHEDULE

Six races are scheduled as follows:

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (followed by a prize-giving lunch)

The first Warning Signal will be at 1025.

The Race Committee may, at their sole discretion, run more than one race on any of the above days up to a maximum of six races.

## 7. VENUE

The Race Area is North and West of Ireland's Eye.

## 8. COURSES

Courses will be as per the Brass Monkeys course card included with the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. SCORING

Scoring shall be as per the Low Point scoring system of Appendix A. RRS A5.2 is changed in that RRS Appendix 5.3 will apply for the Series.

When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 10. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The attention of each competitor is drawn to the potential dangers of sailing at this time of the year.

## 11. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid, third-party cover with an appropriate extension for racing risks.

## **12. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded in each Class

## **13. COVID**

In the event of COVID-19 mitigation measures being required during the Series, such measures (and any updates to them) will be posted on the HYC website.

## **14. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Competitors are granted temporary membership of Howth Yacht Club for each race day subject only to the provisions of the Club rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

For further information, please contact [office@hyc.ie](mailto:office@hyc.ie) 01 – 8322 141