



GP14 Class Association of Ireland

Spring Open 2022

Sligo Yacht Club

April 30th – May 1st

Sligo Yacht Club is very excited to welcome back the GP14 Class for the first Class event in the 2022 Season. Sligo Yacht Club has long history of GP14 sailing and it always an honour to host the GP14 Class Association.

Our Clubhouse is currently undergoing a major refurbishment. We had hoped this would be completed for the event, but it looks increasingly unlikely. We will have full access to the changing rooms and showers. There will be a food van at the club after sailing on both days offering food, teas and coffee. There is a restaurant upstairs in the club that can take bookings for the Saturday evening. To book a table call Fish and Bean 087 248 0706. Advance booking is advisable as it is a bank holiday weekend.

As always there plenty of room around the Clubhouse for camping at the club.

If you intend in travelling to the event could you please message me and let me know so we can get an idea on numbers.

Thanking you

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NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing .
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the rules of the GP14 Class Association will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rule(s) amendments and changes: Any changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions and a notice will be posted on the official notice board.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is open to all boats of the International GP14 Class.
- 2.2 All boats shall have a valid class certificate of registration issued prior to the event.
- 2.3 Helms shall be a member of the International GP14 Class Association.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it together with the required fee to Sligo Yacht Club. Entries will be accepted on the morning of the event and the registration desk will be open from 9.30am. Online entry is not available.
- 2.5 Entries will be accepted up until the briefing on the first day of racing.

3 SAILS AND SAIL NUMBERS

- 3.1 Only certified sails shall be used.
- 3.2 Permission to sail under any other sail number shall be sought in writing from the race committee before going afloat and will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

4 ENTRY FEE

Spring Open:

€50 per boat

€25 per boat - if Helm & Crew under 22 on 1/01/22

5 VENUE

The venue will be Sligo Yacht Club, Rosses Point, Sligo..

6 SAFETY REGULATIONS

Rule 40.1 applies [NP].



7 COMMUNICATION

- 7.1 The official notice board is located outside the race office at Sligo Yacht Club.
- 7.2 While Racing except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on registration at the race office.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration: Saturday 30th April 2020 from 09:00 to 10:30.
- 9.2 Briefing: A briefing will be held at 10.30 on Saturday 30th April.
- 9.3 Racing:
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| <u>Sat. 30th April</u> | <u>Warning Signal</u> | 12:00 hours |
| <u>Sun. 1st May</u> | <u>Warning Signal</u> | 11:00 hours |
- 9.4 Six races are scheduled, three races each day.
- 9.5 At the discretion of the Race Officer a Race may be brought forward to the first day or postponed to the second day depending on weather conditions. No more than one race of the scheduled number of races may be brought forward or postponed.
- 9.6 On the last scheduled race day no warning signal will be made after 15.30.

10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be outlined in the sailing instructions.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores. This changes RRS A2.1
- 11.3 When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding their worst score.

12 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 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:

- 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;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 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.
- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstance.
- The organizing 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 regatta.
- If any competitor is Covid19 positive there are asked not to attend the event.



13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3 million per incident or the equivalent.

14 PRIZES

Details of prizes will be posted on the official notice

15 OTHER INFORMATION

15.1 Camping will be available as will parking for caravans.

15.2 Boat & road-trailer storage will be provided at the Club dinghy park.

15.3 All competitors will be granted Honorary Membership of the Club for the duration of the event.

Can you please respond to Ossian Geraghty and confirm if you are coming to the event, at 085 8018733.