

Irish Sailing Race Officials- talks and courses - March, April & May 2021

Please see below details from Irish sailing on up-coming get togethers. Please contact Sarah-Louise for more information. Her contact details are enclosed at the bottom

Judge, Umpire and Protest Committee get together

Lock-down has not just been for competitors. Race officials have not had any occasion to practice their dark arts for many months. For judges this has meant that we have not yet had any real opportunity to apply the new rule book, or to measure the impact of some new rules developments. It also means that we have not had the pleasure of working together during this long period of Covid-imposed hermitage. The Race Officials Policy Group (ROPG) and the Irish Sailing Racing Rules Committee and Appeals Board (ISRRC) wish to invite you for an 'on-line' get-together on Tuesday 23rd March at 1830hrs.

This will be an opportunity to meet members of the newly created ISRRC, to exchange thoughts on the future of sailing, and in particular how we as judges can assist competitors and other race officials in improving rules observance. There will be a few short talks (no longer than 5 minutes) on some key subjects, but this evening is not intended as an introduction to the rule changes.

Date: 23rd of March

Time: 1830-1930hrs

Venue: Zoom

Link to register: e-mail to sl.rossiter@sailing.ie

Already registered:

Chris Lindsay	Michael McCann
Ian Venner	Anthony O'Leary
Neil Murphy	Liam Maloney
Cxema Pico	Robin Gray
Vincent Delany	Michael O'Connor
Gordon Davies	Craig Evans
Charles Sargent	David Lovegrove
Emmet Dalton	John Leech
Liam Manning	

Mark Layers get together

Hello Mark-layers, actual and aspiring.

After a year where we have had little or no opportunity to get real fresh air, harden our hands on ropes and get wet (– remember that!) there is some hope that we may get back into gear this summer.

Your Race Officials Policy Group, the committee of Irish sailing that looks after stuff relating to race officials, is anxious that we remind ourselves of our skills in advance of the season as well as renewing friendships – as best we can at present. To this end we will hold a Zoom meeting on Monday 29 March at 18:30.

The session will include a few talks on topics of interest and in particular we will have a talk from Chip Till, a US regional race officer and judge from Charleston, Sth. Carolina who will share his experience of using Marksetbot robotic marks. (Apparently RO's like them as they don't query silly instructions!)

There will be an opportunity to ask questions and discuss issues of relevance.

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Wednesday Winter Talks – eSailing – Racing from your laptop

What are the steps to take to begin your eSailing career. How to get started, go through sailing school followed by how to improve!

Date: 31st of March

Time: 1800hrs

Venue: Zoom

Link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/143765479419>

Starts and Signals

A talk by Mike Butterfield (International Race Officer, International Umpire and International Judge) who is on the RYA Race management committee, given firstly at the RYA Race Management conference in 2021, with his views on simple starting and an easier way of running your racing. This is from the "If only they had told me sooner" school of race management teaching. Any recognised or aspiring race officers interested in the theories behind start lines and getting the fleet moving. Committee boat helpers will find this talk interesting aswell as many sailors. The talk will cover topics including: Simple Starting (especially timing), race management hacks and skills updates.

Date: 7th of April

Time: 1830-1930hrs

Venue: Zoom

Link to register: <https://forms.office.com/r/TvH43asXH1>

Already registered:

Alan Kelly	Cxema Pico	Jill Sommerville	Paul Walsh	Therese
Anthony O'Leary	Damian Rafferty	John Leech	Pat Horgan	Therese
Aoife Cudmore	Ed Totterdell	Jonny Sedgwick	Peter Richardson	Trisha M
Barry O'Neill	Eliza Mellena	Keith Kelleher	Peter Sloan	Tristan D
Boris Fennema	Emmet Dalton	Kieran Branagan	Phillip Cowman	Vladimir
Brendan Dalton	Harry Gallagher	Kyran O'Grady	Rachel Thomson	
Brian Bryce	Ian Venner	Lauren Demos	Ric Morris	
Caroline Liddy	Igor Podgorski	Liam Maloney	Robert Orr	
Cian Mc Donagh	James Mead	Paddy Judge	Sam Childs	
Colin Gligorea	Jasper Golyer	Pat Mc Cormick	Theodoros Kalogeris	

Local Umpire Course

This course is for anyone interested in developing or improving their umpire skills. Both Match and Team Racing use a system of umpiring, in which penalties are imposed during the race, avoiding, for the most part, the need for conventional protests .

Date: 4th and 5th of May

Time: 1800-2100hrs both days

Venue: Zoom

Link to register:

<https://www.sailing.ie/Shop?pld=249&cld=86&pName=Local%20Umpire%20Course%20-%207351-%20May%202021%20-%20Zoom>

Best regards,
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