

Northern SB3I Championships

Information Document

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| Date | Time | Event |
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| Fri 25 th April | 1500-1800 | Crane in at Carrickfergus Marina |
| | 1800-2000 | Food & Drink available in RNIYC Bar Dinner bookable in advance - +442890426111 Dress code – smart casual |
| Sat 26 th April | 1000 | Competitor Briefing RNIYC |
| | 0900-1100 | Crane in at Carrick Marina |
| | 1030 | Ferrying commences from RNIYC slipway |
| | 1200 | Race 1 Race 2 a.s.a.p. following Race 1 Race 3 a.s.a.p. following Race 2 Race 4 a.s.a.p. following Race 3 |
| | 2000 | SB3 Dinner at RNIYC |
| Sun 27 th April | 0900 | Ferrying commences from RNIYC slipway |
| | 1100 | Race 5 Race 6 a.s.a.p. following Race 5 Race 7 a.s.a.p. following Race 6 No Race will be started after 1400hrs |
| | a.s.a.p. from 1500-1700 | Crane out at Carrickfergus Marina – in order of distance UK, Cork, Ireland, Dublin, NI, under control of Dave Cheyne |
| | 1700 | BBQ at Club |
| | 1730 | Prize Giving |

LAUNCHING, RECOVERING AND BERTHING

1. The Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club slipway will be available for launching and recovery of competing boats. However, this slip is exposed, tidal and **not recommended for use**.
2. Preferred launch site will be **Carrickfergus Harbour**. There will be craning available here at the times shown above at a fee of £40 or €50. Competitors should report to Event Director Dave Cheyne, or Assistant Gordon Patterson to arrange rigging space, craning slot and trailer storage at Carrickfergus Sailing Club.
3. Slip launching is available for no charge in the Harbour.
4. Boats will display plastic tags with sail number on them, cable tied onto their keel cranes and trailers – these will be provided at the crane site by Dave Cheyne or Gordon Patterson.
5. Boats will be lifted in by single point crane. Lifting strops will **not** be provided.
6. Boats should have adequate fenders and berthing lines
7. Boats will stay on swing moorings at RNIYC. Each mooring will be supplied with an end loop. It will be the responsibility of the person in charge of each SB3, to ensure the seaworthiness of the attachment of the boat to the mooring strop.
8. Any mooring immediately in front of RNIYC can be used.
9. Advice for mooring will be made available to all entrants in the run up to the event online and by email
10. **ROUGH WEATHER CONDITIONS** – signals made ashore at RNIYC, which will be duplicated at Carrick Sailing Club, will dictate whether boats are to remain in the launching area and **NOT** proceed to the moorings at RNIYC. International Code Flag "R" will fly in this instance.

11. Any major alterations that cannot be done on mooring, will be carried out at personal effort of boat concerned by attending Carrickfergus Harbour or Marina to use marina facilities (eg dropping rig etc)
12. Minor repairs can be done at RNIYC moorings
13. No boats are to be lifted out at RNIYC unless completely at personal effort of that crew – ie, Club facilities will NOT be provided

Transport to and from Carrickfergus Harbour

1. Carrickfergus Marina is 4 nautical miles NNE of Cultra RNIYC
2. By road, Carrickfergus Harbour is 20 minutes, and about 15 miles, on quality carriageway for all but a short narrow section a few miles short of Carrickfergus
3. Our suggestion is that teams drive to Carrickfergus Sailing Club, rig, launch and store their trailers, then one member drives to Cultra, whilst two of the team sail the boat over to Cultra RNIYC moorings. A ferry service will be available at RNIYC to collect the two members from the moorings, or bring the other member out to the moorings, as required by the team. Radio channel 77 will be the channel of communication for this service. Call sign "Royal North Launch".
4. On Sunday, one member of the team should go ashore following racing, to collect the team's car, and drive round to Carrickfergus, whilst the other two sail the boat back to Carrickfergus Harbour for craning out. This can be further clarified at the briefing

Parking

Royal North does not have a car park. Parking is permitted along the shore side of Seafront Road. As this is a residential area we ask that you show consideration for our neighbours when parking.

Local Accommodation

For local accommodation click on link www.discovernorthernireland.com , www.northdown.gov.uk, [local accommodation](#) or contact the Toursit Information Centre, Tower House, Bangor on Tel 028 9127 0069. The towns closest to Royal North would be Holywood, Bangor and Crawfordsburn.

Our Neighbours

Competitors are asked to be considerate to our neighbours both when parking near driveways etc and when leaving the club after a nights revelry.

Local Pubs

Recommended local pubs in Holywood are The Dirty Duck, The Priory Inn and The Maypole (Ned's). Slightly further afield, The Old Inn, in Crawfordsburn and the Cultra Inn, beside the Culloden Hotel are worth a visit but not to the detriment of our bar profits please.

Taxis

There are very good local taxi services and you may find the following numbers useful:

Value Cabs: (028) 90809080

Holywood Taxis: (028) 90428812

Choice Cabs (Holywood): (028) 90427123

L.A. Cabs (Bangor): (028) 91270848

Taxis will generally come to pick-up fares at the pedestrian gate at the front of the clubhouse. It is advisable to be standing there waiting or to keep a very good watch for your taxis arrival.

ATM

For that all important cash there are ATM's at the Shell and BP Filling Stations on the Main Road into Holywood. If your card doesn't work in either of these there are branches of the major banks in Holywood High Street.

Chandlers

The nearest Chandler is McCready Sailboats in Holywood (about five minutes drive from the club)

Acceptance of Euro

The club will accept Euro (notes only) but since the rate is not easily convertible you may find it beneficial to deal in Sterling.

Bar Staff and Catering

Gary is our bar Manager. He and his staff are ready to serve you and make sure you are well supplied with that all-important liquid so essential to all sailing debriefs and plans of action for the next day

Our Caterers are Knots Catering, superbly and efficiently run by Lesley. She and her team will be under tremendous pressure to feed all you hungry sailors during the event and we are confident you will not only find the food of the highest standard but the service will be friendly and helpful.

DIRECTIONS TO CARRICKFERGUS HABOUR

Continue through Belfast Westlink, looking for signposts for the M2

Once on the M2, follow signs for Whiteabbey, and then Carrickfergus

Entering Carrickfergus town, you will pass MacDonalds on your right, until reaching a roundabout.

Come off the roundabout at 3 o'clock and **head for Carrickfergus Sailing Club**, where you will be greeted by the Organising Team of Dave Cheyne and Gordon Patterson.

Please phone Dave Cheyne on +447843 242007, or Gordon Patterson on +44 7971488772, upon arrival for further instruction

DIRECTIONS TO CULTRA FROM CARRICKFERGUS

Drive to Belfast, then take the M3 to Bangor

Continue past the George Best Belfast City Airport, and on toward Holywood on the continuous dual carriageway

You will pass IKEA on your left, and Holywood town on your right – do not enter Holywood Town

Once past Holywood you will quickly reach Cultra, a residential area on the left within 1 mile.

Pass a Shell garage on your left, and take Cultra Avenue 100 metres later on your left after a set of lights – this is a very bumpy road at present, please drive very slowly.

Follow Cultra Avenue to the shore, this is RNIYC