





Welcome to the Viking Marine 2016 Optimist Leinster Championships

I am writing to you on behalf of the Organising Committee of the Viking Marine IODAI Leinster Championships proudly hosted by the Royal St. George Yacht Club.

We are looking forward to welcoming all sailors and parents this weekend and have outlined some relevant information below that will answer some questions and make your trip to Dun Laoghaire stress free.

We hope that the information below is of assistance and invite you to treat the Royal St. George Yacht Club as your own for the weekend.

Thank you

Ian Simington

Event Chairman

Location

Royal St. George Yacht Club, Harbour Rd. Dun Laoghaire. (1)

We are next to the Dun Laoghaire Ferry Terminal (Formally the Stena Line terminal) (2). This sits opposite (Seaward side) of the Dun Laoghaire Dart Station (3).

Car Parking

There is public car parking available throughout Dun Laoghaire Harbour, outside the Royal St. George Yacht Club, adjacent to it on the Carlisle Pier along with an underground car park outside the gates of the Royal St. George Yacht Club. Parking rates start at €5 p/ day. Please ensure that you do pay for parking as cars may be clamped by the Harbour Police.

Registration: Junior Room of the RSGYC (downstairs)

- Friday 18:00- 20:00
- Saturday 9:00 11:00

Boat Unloading

With over 130 boats entered we cannot accept cars on the forecourt. Therefore, all unloading of boats and gear is to be carried out from the Dun Laoghaire Ferry Terminal (between the RSGYC and the RIYC).

Optimists: All unloading of boats and gear is to be carried out from the Ferry Terminal where there is plenty of room to unload cars, trailers and boats without restricting traffic. Once the Optimist(s) are unloaded they are to be walked over to the main gates of the Royal St. George Yacht Club where they can then be brought down the ramp to the assigned areas on the Club's Forecourt as set out below.

- Senior Fleet Linkspan Bridge (Across the RSGYC Forecourt and up to the Linkspan Bridge area).
- Junior Fleet Main RSGYC Forecourt assigned areas
- Regatta Fleet Main RSGYC Forecourt assigned areas

Trailer Storage:

Road trailers can be parked/ stored opposite the Commissioners of Irish Lights Building where there is a locked area with a combination lock, which can be obtained by calling the Sailing Manager – Ronan Adams 086 8900 5876. If availing of this area to store trailers please note that storage is availed of at your own risk. When availing of this storage area please note that trailers are to be stored on the right hand side of the laneway, next to the wall allowing cars to reverse out as necessary. Please take your trailer down at least 200m into the lane to allow other trailers to be accommodated. *Removal of trailers will be at the end of the laneway on Sunday avoiding the need to reverse out with any trailers.*

Note: There is no room for any road trailers on the RSGYC Forecourt and access is not available.

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs:

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs are very welcome. Boats should be launched from the Public Slipway at the Coal Harbour in Dun Laoghaire (see map). This area is a 2 minute drive from the RSGYC and is easily accessible. Road Trailers can be stored as outlined above in trailer storage.

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs identification and registration.

All Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs must register at Registration and obtain an identification number/ flag. There is a deposit of €20 which will be returned when the identification/ number is returned to the Race Office.

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs - All drivers of support boats are required to attend the Safety/ Support Boat briefing held at the RSGYC on Saturday morning at 10:30am on the RSGYC Forecourt. We ask that all Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs assist rescue if required and have a working VHF radio on the appropriate VHF channel as set out in the briefing.

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs **berthing:** Complimentary berthing is available for all Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs on the main pontoon at the Royal St. George Yacht Club. Please note that in order to facilitate regular sailing activities all boats are to be berthed on the <u>North side of the main pontoon (outside)</u>. Alternative berthing arrangements may be made available after sailing with permission from the RSGYC Sailing Manger.

Spectator & Support Boats/ Coach Ribs **re-fuelling**: Dun Laoghaire Marina fuel dock is available for re-fuelling during daylight hours. They can be reached on VHF Ch. 37a (M), 80a (M2), 16. Call sign Dún Laoghaire Marina. Alternatively there is a petrol station a 5 minute drive from the RSGYC. This is the Esso West Pier Service Station on Crofton Road, Dun Laoghaire and can be reached on 01 1280 1474

Volunteers: As with all Optimist events, volunteers are most welcome and encouraged. If you would like to get involved we would like to hear from you. We have spots for the following:

- Mothership support,
- Support Boat crews
- Launch and Recovery.

To make yourself available please reply to this mail and we will be in touch.

Catering & Food

<u>Coffee Shop</u> The RSGYC Coffee Shop will be open daily from 9am where fresh coffee and baked goods will be available.

<u>Lunch</u> The main bar in the RSGYC will have a lunch menu available daily along with sandwiches and homemade soups. Sunday lunch is also available in the main dining room from 12:30pm.

<u>BBQ</u> There will be full BBQ's available on Friday evening, and Saturday and Sunday after sailing. The cost will be ≤ 10.00 for two meat items or ≤ 6.50 for a burger both served with salads.

Club Library/ Reading Room. As guests/ temporary member of the RSGYC we invite you to avail of our Club library & Reading Room where daily papers are available for reading in the room, please do not remove.

WIFI There is complimentary WIFI available throughout the RSGYC, the password is George00.

List of Required documents for completion in advance to be added: