

SB Event -- August 8th + 9th

Competitor Briefing – Summary

- My name is Barry O'Neill and I will be your R O for the event
- On behalf of the R St G Y C I would just like to register a very warm welcome to all :
 - We are delighted to host an Event in the George
 - Delighted too to welcome boats from outside Dublin Bay - very brave to travel in this difficult time for all

which brings me to the Weather Gods :

- The one element we cannot control
- The objective is to get racing and complete series of 6 races with 3 Races a day – however :
 - If Saturday a w/o -- option to race up to 4 Races on Sunday –
 - if Sunday weather looks ? we MAY choose to sail 4 Races on Saturday to allow for a discard in event of a Sunday write off
- **Committee Boat** = WHITE sailing cruiser -- Terrible -- on the dock at the George
- **Racing Area**
 - **Saturday** = bay busy in afternoon with Fireball Nationals + 2 DBSC Courses so either :
 - West of bay -- west of Merrion /Seapoint DBSC Marks OR
 - East -- area around East /Molly DBSC Marks
 - both a long way from Harbour mouth
 - **Sunday** = Bay less busy so in middle /west of bay = closer to harbour
 - Plan to get 6 Races
 - and Start on Time
 - **VHF Channel = 77**

- **Courses**

- Windward /Leeward as per S I s

- **Marks :**

- **W and Gate** marks will be large, black inflatables
- **Start Line** -- a buoy with a pole and flag on top
- **Finish Line** = a small, inflatable Tea Bag

- **Race Management Policy**

The Start

- Small Fleet
- A competitive lot
- First Start will be a Peter
 - If a General and **OUR** Fault -- e.g.
 - Line not square = bunching at one end ?
 - Not long enough
 - Then I shall stick with a Peter.
- If a General -- and **FLEET** Fault -- I shall go to a U
- If repeated Generals on a U – Max. 2 Generals on a U = I shall go to a Black -- and MAY go back to a U for all subsequent starts as none of us want to be out there all day !

Weather Mark

- I plan to use two large Black Marks at W so I can bounce to do minor adjustments -- but spreader MAY be a dan buoy too -- e.g. if I have to move a W mark a distance

Shortening Course

- Watch out for an F flag and repeated Sound Signal from a Rib at leeward mark / gate or W mark = sail to Finish Line
- F Means a shortened course and sail to the Finish

Subsequent Starts

- If I do not have to re-lay Start line I plan to go into sequence VERY quickly = NO hanging about

- **So please stay close to Comm. Boat and watch for sound signal for next race**
- if NO racing Saturday = I will try to squeeze in 4 races on Sunday
- **Mark Laying** -- Stay out of way please -- esp. when we are trying to lay or adjust a Start Line = please help Start Line rib teams by staying out of the way while they stream Marks ?

Any questions : please **txt me on SB What's App Group ASAP** but definitely before 9 pm on Friday , 7th and I shall try to respond

Good Sailing + Have Fun !

Barry