# Hi and welcome to the Elmo Trophy !

## Please find some useful event information in this document.

#### Person in charge

As per the NOR- Each team shall have an adult (aged over 18) person-in-charge, who must be present on the club premises for the duration of the event. This person is to also attend the dinner, where a meal is provided.

#### Teams Whatsapp group

We will be using this group as an extra channel to communicate information about the event. Feel free to share this link with your teams.

The link is <a href="https://chat.whatsapp.com/C0vD9ncEAEE4ahf8yeNBJO">https://chat.whatsapp.com/C0vD9ncEAEE4ahf8yeNBJO</a>

#### Event coverage

Updates will be posted on the instagram page @elmotrophy

#### **Registration Saturday**

Registration takes place between 08:45 and 09:45. There will be three registration points with a list displayed of which teams are to register at each point. Only team captains or the person in charge of the team is to go to the relevant registration point on Saturday morning.

To complete registration, all teams will need to pay their damage deposit if not already done so. This will be done by credit card.

Team Bibs will be handed out at Registration. Teams will keep these bibs for the event and return them on Sunday after sailing.

The race order will be displayed on various screens in the club. We will be using a computer program which tries to match teams of equal standards each round. It's called the swiss league. Competitors should expect to sail one race every 45 minutes.

#### **Boats + Flags**

Boats are supplied. Please ask your team to respect the boats. They may or may not have bailers, teams are recommended to bring their own bailers.

If a team wishes to protest an incident on the water they will need their own red protest flag to waive at the on the water umpires. They may not be supplied. Homemade red flags are ok!

## Briefing

A briefing for team captains will take place at 10:00 Saturday by the main steps.

#### Launching

Boats will be launched from 10:15. First gun is at 10:45. All teams should be dressed and ready to go at 10:00.

### Changeovers

The process will be covered in the briefing. Teams will be either in boats, in a changeover rib, waiting on the pontoon or on the forecourt. Sailors need to bring their own lunch. No sailor should leave the club to go up to the town to get lunch. In the past this has caused much confusion and delayed racing. It is intended to race up until approximately 6pm on Saturday.

## Private RIBS

Competitors should not be in private ribs over the weekend. This is a strict requirement from our Safety officer. Competitors should only use changeover ferry ribs. There is a sequenced system that we are using to manage changeovers. Please do not help by using your own ribs to swap your teams, it causes confusion.

## **Event Dinner**

Dinner is at 7:30 pm on Saturday. Dress code is smart casual, but please note everyone is welcome in whatever they want to wear.

Note numbers are very very limited. There will be no availability on the night for extra tickets.

## Sunday Racing

Provisional first gun is at 09:45 but this may be earlier and will be confirmed on Saturday evening.

It is intended to start quarter finals for the top 8 teams at around 14:00 Sunday. The qtr. finals will be commentated over VHF, Channel to be advised. The ferry ribs will act as viewing platforms for sailors who are not racing in the qtrs.

It is intended to complete racing approximately at 1600 on Sunday.

## Prizes

Prizegiving will take place on the balcony as soon as possible after racing. We ask all teams to attend the prizegiving.

Prizes will be awarded to teams that came 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> as well as the overnight leaders on Saturday night.

The winners will win the Elmo Trophy. The team that just missed the knockouts (usually 9<sup>th</sup>) will win the Elmo Plate. The Trophy and the plate are perpetual and live in the RSGYC.