

Footy Class Euro GP



Notice of Race

Saturday, 5 July - Sunday, 6 July 2008

As many of you will know, the arrangements for this event to be held in Liverpool were thrown into disarray when Angus Richardson, who was the moving spirit, was taken into hospital. Initially it looked as though the event would have to be cancelled, but it has proved possible to rescue it, though at a different venue. The Birkenhead Model Yacht Club has very generously agreed to host the meeting and to provide a race management team to assist the Race Officer. This has involved the cancellation of club events that were planned for this weekend and we owe them a great debt.

The main trophy will be the Highlander Trophy, a Footy sized half model of Highlander, Dick Priest's classic A Class boat of the 1960s. This is particularly appropriate now that the meeting has moved to Birkenhead, as Dick was a stalwart of the club for most of his sailing career. There will in addition be a Junior Trophy for entrants under 16 and other prizes for runners up.

We have been fortunate in securing the services of Derek Priestley, the President of the MYA, as Race Officer. Derek in immensely experienced in running (and winning) major model yacht races, so we are in good hands.

Footy class rules will apply and the racing will be conducted using the RRS 2005-2008 modified by sailing instructions that relate to EORS 2001. EORS 2001 is similar to the Heat Management System (HMS) used in MYA events, but is more flexible in allowing any number of boats to sail in a single fleet.

The relevant notices are as follows:

Saturday

REGISTRATION and measurement check 09:00 onwards. The lake will be available for practice during the morning.

BRIEFING - will start at approximately 13.00.

RACING TIMES - the first race will start soon after the briefing at approximately 13.15 - no race will start after 17:00. Any race still in progress at 17.30 will be abandoned.

Sunday

RACING TIMES – First race starts at 10.00. No race will start after 16.15. Any race still in progress at 16.45 will be abandoned.

Copies of EORS 2001 and related Sailing Instructions will be available on the day.

Please remember to bring your MYA membership card if you have one. If you do not, you must bring evidence of comparable insurance cover.. Alternatively you are eligible for outport membership of CBMYC, which provides you with MYA affiliation and MYA insurance for a year at the princely sum of £6.

Please make sure that your correct sail numbers are clearly displayed on both mainsails

When you bring your boat for registration, please make sure it can be checked in the 'Footy measurement box' with the small rig fitted.

Entries

should be sent to

Graham Elliott. 260, Greasby Road Greasby Wirral CH49 2PW 0151 678 4134

E-mail: elliottyachts@hotmail.co.uk

Entries should preferably be on paper, using the attached entry form and should be accompanied by the entry fee of £15.00, in the form of a cheque or bankers draft, **drawn in Sterling on a UK bank** and made payable to **Birkenhead Model Yacht Club**. Exceptionally, payment may be made by PayPal to <u>Elliottyachts@hotmail.co.uk</u>, but this should not be used unless it is essential.

You MUST give your name, club, sail number, radio frequency that you have in your boat and the alternative frequencies available.

Please note that the arrangements for booking accommodation and for booking places on the Symposium to be held on Monday 7 July are quite separate and are detailed on the separate sheet. Please do not gum up an already complicated administrative set up by sending your bids, and more important, your money to the wrong place.

Location

The club water is situated in Gautby Road Birkenhead. Google map at http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&tab=wl. The road route from the University accommodation is shown at http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&tab=wl. There is an underground railway connection from Aigburth station to Birkenhead North, about 10 minutes from the lake. Routes from the University accommodation to Aigburth station and from Birkenhead North to Gautby Road are at

http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&tab=wl and http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&tab=wl.

The lake has a concrete edge and a path all round. Free car parking is available.

There is a clubhouse with a canteen and toilets. Tea and light refreshments will be available all day, but not full meals.

Prizegiving

Prize giving will take place at the lakeside immediately after racing finishes. It is hoped that Dick Priest's daughter, Lynn Pengelly, will be able to present the prizes.

Safety

Eye protectors must be used on all antennae.

No 37 MHz equipment is permitted.

Birkenhead Model Yacht Club Footy Euro GP 5-6 July 2008 Entry Form

Name			Forename				Age (if under 16)	
Addross			E-mail					
			Telephone					
Yacht:								
Name	Hull/sail no. (including national letters)							
Hull Colour	Туре	Designe	r					
Available radio frequencies								
27 MHz.								
40 MHz.								
Spectrum								
Please accept my entry as above. I have adequate third party insurance cover equivalent to that provided to MYA members. I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.								

Date:

Signature: