



## 2022 AGM Agenda

**JB Room at National Yacht Club on Saturday 12th November 2022 at 1530 hrs**

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Agree minutes of 2021 AGM
3. Chairman's Report for 2022
4. Accounts for 2022 (up to 11<sup>th</sup> November)
5. Election of Officers for 2023:
  - Chairman – Peter Ryan
  - Vice Chairman – Peter Dunlop
  - Secretary– Stephen Tudor
  - Treasurer - Grainne Ryan
  - General Sailing Committee - **See Remit and List**
  - Technical Committee - **See Remit and List**
  - Race Organiser (One per race – Ideally in the starting Club)
  - **Others:** Crew Manager, Sponsorship Leader, Junior Crew Boss, Tracker Master (One on each side of the Irish Sea), Shore-based Safety Officer, Trophy Boss, Shore based Controller / Monitor during all races, Annual Dinner Organiser
6. Race Management – *see separate list of topics on page 2*
7. 2023 Race Schedule – see proposal sheet
8. AOB



## Discussion Points (Agenda Item 6 - Race Management)

These points when agreed will be incorporated into the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

**Changes to IRC, RRS and OSR** - Changes (if any) to the regulations will incorporate these into the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

**OSR Categories** - ISORA is following the World Sailing Category definitions, Category 3+ Liferaft, Category 3 and Category 4 which are published on the web site. These will be noted for each race accordingly.

**Entry to Racing – Boat Stability** - The ISORA Races that are 'Category 3' and 'Category 3 with Life Raft' are open to all boats that have a valid IRC Certificate with STIX value not less than 23, AVS not less than 130 and Minimum SSS base number of 15 and comply with Section 3 of World Sailing Offshore Regulation

Coastal Races that are Category 4 are open to all boats that have a valid IRC Certificate

**Pre & Post Race Declarations.** - Skippers' declaration is part of the on-line entry form. All boats to promote and use the 'ISORA Crew-Manager' app This lists all crew participating in each race and is a safety tool accessed by shore-based race Safety Officer.

**YB Tracker - ISORA** has used the YB tracking system with great success since 2016 and are used not only for visual enjoyment of shore crew but as a safety tool and an invaluable race management tool for recording race finishes

**TSS** - TSS are not exclusion zone in ISORA in 2022 but will be subject to the usual rules of the road. A boat can only be protested by the sailing committee on receipt of a complaint from the Coastguard, or other Authority, and not from the YB tracker. This will be added to the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

### Scoring and Weighting:

**Weighting** – Races are presently scored using the ISORA High Points system the more difficult races are weighted

Weighting: Day Coastal 0.9 – Night Coastal 1.0 – Offshore < 70 mile 1.1 – Offshore > 70 miles 1.2 James Eadie Race 1.3

A win in a large fleet is presently scored better than a win in a small fleet using the CHIPS 3 formula.

**Class Split** - The Class split is usually considered when entries are known but aim to maintain the three classes at 2022 levels with IRC Class 0 for boats of 1.045 or more. IRC1 1.000 to 1.044 and Class IRC2 0.999 or less.

**Number of Classes** – may be increased to 4 – dependant on numbers

**Two Handed Class** - included

**Silver Class** – extended to increase participation by formula and invitation.

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**Virtual Waypoints** - Virtual Waypoints form part of the tool menu available to the technical committee to set courses and in particular to keep the fleets away from shipping lanes and other dangers. These can be turning marks, deflecting marks or gates.

**Auto Helms** - Auto Helms were allowed in 2022. The spirit of the intention is to encourage participation not to provide leading boats an added advantage and this will be monitored.

**AIS** - The use of AIS is mandatory for all competitors in Category 3 and Category 3+ Life Rafts races. Category 4 races – AIS is recommended and encouraged.

For Coastal Races - all competitors are encouraged to purchase a transmitting and receiving AIS on safety grounds and will work towards compulsory use in Cat 4 in 2023.

ISORA has arranged for AIS shore bases to give better coverage in the Irish Sea.

**Professional Crews** – There are presently no restriction applicable in 2022.

## **Crew Numbers –**

- Cat 3 Races - Max crew is the IRC cert number (or Life Raft capacity if less than the IRC Cert)
- Cat 4 races - Max crew is the IRC cert number +1 if extra is a junior or female – discussion.

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