

Hi and welcome to the Elmo Trophy !

Please find some useful event information in this document.

Team Reps - 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 for them. Rota systems are strongly discouraged for team reps. Same person please, it is too hard to manage otherwise. In the event of a problem, the phone number for the Team rep will be called and the rep will be asked to assist.

Team Reps and Captains 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 <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KI5s1f5ulPr5a3N38quOA8>

Event webpage

<https://www.rsgyc.ie/2024/08/2024-elmo-trophy/>

Event coverage

Updates will be posted on the instagram page @elmotrophy

Registration Saturday

Registration takes place between **08:45 and 09:15**. There will be four registration points with a list displayed of which teams are to register at each point. Only team captains and the team rep is to go to registration. **Both are required.**

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

Briefing

A briefing for team captains will take place at 09:45 Saturday by the main steps.

Launching

Boats will be launched from 10:00. First gun is at 10:30. All teams should be dressed and ready to go at 10:00. The first round draw will be made by Friday 14:00, so competitors will know in advance who is sailing in what boats for the first set of races.

Race Order, Race Results and Overall Results (Team Positions)

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.

If you scan the QR codes you can access it all here.

The draw has been made and the first 12 races are in the schedule as of 14:00 Friday 30th August.



Race Results



Team Positions



Schedule of Races

Flags & Umpires

There will be 6 Umpire boats with 2 umpires per boat. Ailbe Millerick will act as Chief Umpire.

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!

Damage

Teams should report damage that occurs when they are in the boats. It doesn't matter what the umpire decision was. They must report damage to the damage officer who will be Afloat in a rib flying the Irish Flag. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally, or to an unidentified team, will be attributed equally between all teams.

This will be discussed further at the briefing.

Boats

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.



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. Lunches can be ordered in advance. See Event webpage above. 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.

For more info – feel free to watch a recording of the how the swiss league works, how we will do changeovers etc

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!ApU8ILNu7p-RgqZNKIULNVYpqJP5ug>

Substitutes

Substitutes are not encouraged this year. In the past when we had capacity, this was welcomed as it increased participation. With over 5 teams on a waiting list and now with 36 teams, we just cannot manage more sailors. A change to your team line up will be allowed until Friday 30th August at 16:00. In event of unavoidable circumstances, **one** substitute can be made per team. This must be agreed by the race office and is a permanent substitution.

The team must continue to meet the age requirements as set out in the NOR. The substitute can replace a crew and not a helm on the team. If a helm cannot participate, his/her replacement should be from the original three crews entered.

Substitution cannot be strategic. Final decision as to allowance of a substitute is with the event director.

Catering

Coffee shop open from 0900 each morning serving breakfast rolls and sandwiches. Team lunches can be bought in the coffee shop. See event website link above for further details.

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 is no availability on the night for extra tickets.

Each team must have a team rep at the dinner, typically reps sit on the deck.

Wrist Bands

Sailors must wear wrist bands all event. These will be given out at registration. There will be two colours to help indicate if kids are 18 or not. Torn wrist bands will not be accepted & must be replaced at the race office.

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 live over Instagram. The ferry ribs will act as viewing platforms for sailors who are not racing in the qtrs. Screens will also be provided ashore. 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 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 18th, 32nd as well as the overnight leaders on Saturday night. The winners will win the Elmo Trophy. The

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