



# ENGINEERING CHALLENGE CUP 2021

## Notice Of Race

**The Engineering Challenge Cup 2021 is Organized by the Organizing Committee (OC) in co-operation with High Point Yachting**

### **Agenda**

The Regatta will start on **Sunday May 9, 2021**, until the last racing day **Friday May 14, 2021**

### **Invitation**

The Regatta is open for Commodores, who are competing the Commodore-cup and eligible skippers, appointed by the Admiral and Commodores, for the Engineering Challenge Cup.

### **Location**

The location will be **Croatia**, with the start at **Trogir** and the finish location will be **Dubrovnik**

### **Fleet**

The fleet has a maximum amount of yachts, presently estimated at 54 in total.

Priority is given to the 50 boats, who entered the ECC 2020 which is transferred to the ECC 2021 due to the COVID 2019 virus, however open to the remaining 5 places available. In case of number of entrances is exceeding the maximum, first come first register will be applied.

The Commodores will sail in an optimized uniform fleet.

New entries will be contacted to choose a boat from the available fleet at that time.

Each skipper will pay, and be responsible, for their own charter contract as become available by the selected broker, High Point Yachting.

### **Insurance**

Each skipper is responsible for his own insurance scope, the OC takes no responsibility whatsoever.

The following recommendations may help for any comfort:

*A copy of the insurance of the chartered boat will be made available with the boat papers. Responsibilities remain between the skipper and the charter company. Generally, a deposit may be required, for damage. We strive the selected charter companies to offer for an additional insurance to be offered to the skipper, for the deposit at discretion of the charter company. A personal liability insurance is recommended to cover for claims between the charter company and skipper or participants vs Skipper.*

*Each participant is responsible for his own medical insurance coverage including sailing at sea.*



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## **Charter scope frame agreement**

Each charter contract should include as a minimum the following:

The bare boat weekly charter from Saturday May 8, from 16:00 hours, until Saturday May 15 at 09:00 hours. Organisation management, starting vessel, race officer. Harbour Fee's for the event. A dingy with outboard engine. Bedlinen and towels for the crew qty. Final cleaning. Refuelling at disembarkation is excluded from the contract. Boat is received with full fuel tanks at the check in and should be refuelled before disembarkation.

## **Rules**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS) between the participating yachts, however between Sea going vessels, not participating in the ECC and ECC yachts The International Rules to avoid collisions at Sea prevail. Local rules for commercial shipping may overrule these rules, where commercial shipping is to give free way. (ferries etc.)

## **Fees & Cancellation**

ECC entry fee is EURO 130 per participant, with a minimum of EURO 650 per boat. For those who have already paid the entry fee for ECC 2020, the balance will be due with the final charter payment. For the new entries, entry fee is due at registration and will be invoiced by High Point Yachting. Entry fee is non-refundable.

Deposit for the OC Class flag at local registration EURO 30 per boat, in cash.

Charter fee:

The selected charter company, "High Point Yachting" will issue an invoice with the charter rate as per boat selected by each skipper. The charter fee will be invoiced in two tranches off 50%:

Deposit is due on the booking confirmation

Balance is due by 1st February 2021

## **Cancellation policy:**

50% of the charter fee is non-refundable and final confirmation of participation.

60% of the charter fee is due for cancellation on or after 1st February 2021

100% of the charter fee is due for cancellation on or after 1st April 2021

## **Safety**

RC Ribs will be available to assist in case of emergency.

Skippers and participants are fully responsible not to jeopardise the safety of material and all people involved in the regatta, including organisational personnel and committee boats.



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## **Sailing Instructions (SI)**

Sailing Instructions will be issued before the start of the regatta, after approval of the appointed race officer. SI will prevail over this notice of race.

## **The courses / races**

Each morning of a race day, a skippers briefing will be held at 09:00 hours to inform the required information for the race or races to be held that day. (first skippers meeting will start at 08:00) The location of the skippers briefing will be made available via the SuperEvent App. The route will pass different harbour's after each racing day.

Race 1 will be the Jose Miguel Martinez trophy, in memory of Jose Miguel Martinez who lost his life on Day 1 of the 2017 ECC event at Solta, Croatia. This will be held by Commodores and Skippers, the entire fleet.

Further races as per SI, this can be medium distance races mainly around existing Marks, or short Races around ECC Buoy's.

## **Racing Penalty System**

A two round penalty shall be replaced by a single round penalty as RRS Nr44

Penalties may be applied at the discretion of the OC and or race officer.

Protests shall be avoided and not in line with the family spirit of the ECC.

Boats shall solve their dispute by themselves. A protest committee may be installed in case violation of the family spirit rule of the ECC.

## **Scoring**

Scoring execution, will be as per Race Officers low scoring principle for each race.

## **Support Boats**

Support boats and starting/finishing vessels will be recognisable as per SI

## **Berthing & Berthing sequence**

Berthing in the overnight's marinas will be facilitated, as per finishing order each race day.

## **Radio & Communication**

The fleet will use a VHF Channel as per SI to inform the fleet required race information.

Finish declarations shall be given by WhatsApp. For Berthing a separate VHF channel shall be used as per SI.

## **Prizes**

Daily medals for daily results.

- The medals for the first racing day will be given at the second skippers briefing.

At the final Prize giving after the last racing day;

- Jose Miguel Martinez trophy for Race 1
- Commodores Cup for the winning Commodore Races



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- Engineering Challenge Cup for the winner of the ECC, becoming the Commodore for next year's ECC, including to become the new OC for next ECC.

The Trophies as described above, shall be returned and made available, well in time to the new OC, for the next year's event, except medals.

## Venue & Guidance

During the ECC, a social program will be organized, including an opening ceremony, and a price giving ceremony. Communication about the program will be supported by a dedicated APP and WhatsApp, further user instructions to follow in a bulletin.

### **The Engineering Challenge Cup is a fun event.**

The organisation of the ECC is an honour executed by the winning team of the previous edition. This is a team, of volunteers, to get things done and prepare for the next event. This team exists for one year, to give the honour over to the next team.

This is, no paid labour, we are not an official entity, we do not make any profit or loss, and is no travel agency. Moneywise there are two cash flows; The main cashflow goes to the broker, paid by each skipper. The broker is selected by the Organisation Committee. The broker provides us quotations for charter boats, race management, officials, deals with local Authorities etc. This is a contract between each skipper and the broker. The second money stream is the entry fee and the sponsor money, this money is used for a welcome party, polo shirts, medals, price giving party etc. The content of deliverables of the OC team, is the social side of the ECC as well as race results, to ensure the ECC will continue. The way we do this is guided by the commodores who won the ECC before, headed by the admiral. An annual meeting to discuss further improvements and keeping our event updated, maintains guidance. Please see our website: [www.eccsailing.com/about/Charter](http://www.eccsailing.com/about/Charter), for details.

Following are no additions to any other documents issued for this event but is meant to be a guide for all who want to have fun.

## **Responsibility & The person in charge**

Yacht racing can be dangerous.:

“The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

“The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge....”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;



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- c) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) the provision of a race management team and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed, in date and familiar to the crew.

## **Collision**

Collisions must be prevented. In case of a collision, the organizing committee must report the incident to the local Port Authorities. Although the regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Sailing Instructions, with respect to race results, the right-of-way Rules of IRCAS (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea), or by local government right- of-way rules, apply to all Boats participating. Insurances applicable for the boats in our fleet are subject to the above. A collision may cause, that boats/skippers must stop racing and are subject to local Authority investigations. If you want to have fun, or if you want to win the ECC, collisions must be prevented.

## **Trash disposal**

Trash shall be placed ashore, at the allocated containers only, please keep the ports and locations, we visit, clean and clear from our presence.

## **Advertisement**

All related communications to the event, is subject to property of the ECC event, content may be used by third parties only, after written approval of the OC. Non sponsor advertisement, while at sea, will be charged as delayed Sponsoring, creating fare fun for all.

## **Crew list**

At due time each registered boat must submit a completed crew list. It is important to keep the given format by the OC, to be completed. Crew lists will be used for organisation purposes and are an important formal information to be submitted to local authorities.

## **Further information**

Accommodation and transport information will be advised per bulletin.

## **Entry Gate and Qualification:**

The entry list is limited to the available fleet, as well for Commodores as Eligible Skippers. The OC will register on first come complete registration, first go principle.

If more entries are received per category, no guarantee of entry can be given.



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The entry is open from June 29, 2020 for all Commodores and Eligible skippers.

**Closing date of entries is July 31, 2020**

## **For new entries to enter the ECC2021;**

Send an email to:

[Ecc.sailing.2020@gmail.com](mailto:Ecc.sailing.2020@gmail.com)

Please enter your boat nr in the subject.

Preferred boat size, LARGE OR MEDIUM OR Commodore fleet.

Please state your estimated number of crew in total, (including skipper)

A valid Sailing Certificate of the skipper must be available at embarkation.

Receipt of an undersigned disclaimer, as per attached disclaimer form.

A list of valid entries, entry fee recipient, will be published in August 2020.

## **Disclaimer of Liability**

The Organizing Committee and its organisation, their partners, the Charterer, the sponsors, and any other party and or persons involved in the organisation of the Engineering Challenge Cup 2021 will accept no liability whatsoever for any personnel or material damage (including but not limited to death, injury, consequential damages etc.) sustained prior to, during or after the regatta.

For any queries or qualifications, please contact the OC at: [ecc.sailing.2020@gmail.com](mailto:ecc.sailing.2020@gmail.com)

Navigare nesse est.

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