

President's Cup & Hansa 303 Irish Championships 12th & 13th August 2017



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PRESIDENT'S CUP
2017

CARRICKFERGUS
12-13 AUGUST



Welcome from the Mayor



As Mayor of Mid and East Antrim, it is an honour to welcome everybody to our Borough for the President's Cup and Hansa 303 Irish National Championships for sailors with disabilities.

Mid and East Antrim Borough Council is proud of its previous involvement and ongoing commitment to support Belfast Lough Sailability.

This year's President's Cup and Hansa 303 sailing extravaganza promises to be another fantastic event and I feel deeply privileged to have been asked to present the prizes.

The hosting of the President's Cup, taking place in Northern Ireland for the first time, incorporating the Hansa 303 Championships in our Borough highlights and promotes our stunning natural assets, which will form the backdrop for the sailing.

Congratulations to Belfast Lough Sailability and Carrickfergus Sailing Club for all their excellent work. I commend them and all of those involved in the organisation of the Presidents Cup and Hansa 303 event as it continues to go from strength to strength.

I look forward to meeting the competitors and their families, friends and carers, and the legion of dedicated volunteers giving of their time, expertise and efforts.

I wish the sailors every success in the racing and extend a warm welcome to everybody taking part in this wonderful spectacle.

Mayor
Councillor Paul Reid
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

Welcome from Belfast Lough Sailability

Welcome to the 2017 President's Cup & Hansa 303 National Championships in Carrickfergus and on behalf of us all at Belfast Lough Sailability I'd like to extend a very warm and hearty welcome to you all.

This weekend promises to see some very competitive and challenging racing and our sailing areas beside the Clubhouse offer a close up view of all the action

All that remains is for me to wish each and every one of you a very enjoyable and memorable visit to Carrickfergus and every success on the water. Here's to a great weekend of fun, excitement and fair competition.

Paul Bunting - Chair, Belfast Lough Sailability

Welcome from Carrickfergus Sailing Club

On behalf of Carrickfergus Sailing Club may I extend a warm welcome to all competitors and supporters to the President's Cup and Hansa 303 Irish National Championships at our Club.

We are delighted to be supporting Belfast Lough Sailability in running this event and we trust that you will be able to enjoy our great club facilities on possibly the finest stretch of sailing water in Ireland during your time with us.

We hope that you will have great sailing competition and an enjoyable visit and after the event has passed will often catch yourself humming a few lines from "I wish I was in Carrickfergus....." until the next event with us!

Trevor McCaig – Commodore, Carrickfergus Sailing Club

Programme of Events

Friday 11th August

6.00 pm – 9.00 pm

Registration – Carrickfergus Sailing Club Clubhouse

Launching boats – Optimist pontoon or Carrick Marine

Projects via CSC boat park

Pasta and salads in bar with musical entertainment

Saturday 12th August

8.30 am – 9.30 am

Registration – CSC Alcorn Room (ground floor)

9.15 am

Safety Briefing – CSC Training Room (ground floor)

9.45 am

Skippers Briefing – CSC Boatshed

11.25 am

Warning signal for first race

2.00 pm

Lunch ashore – CSC Boatshed

3.00 pm

Warning signal for afternoon racing

7.30 pm

Hog Roast Evening – CSC Boatshed

Late bar with musical entertainment

Sunday 13th August

10.25 am

Warning signal for first race

1.30 pm

Lunch ashore – CSC Boatshed

3.00 pm

Latest warning signal for first race

4.00pm

BBQ – CSC Boatshed

Prize giving – CSC Boatshed

The President's Cup

Six races scheduled over two days

Hansa 303 National Championships

Seven races scheduled over two days, six double-handed races and one single-handed race

All races sailed off Carrickfergus Marina

Perpetual and Keeper Prizes and Trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

Lunch will be provided free of charge on each racing day for competitors and volunteers. Tea/ coffee and traybakes available throughout the day in the CSC Boatshed

Hansas will be launched and retrieved from the Optimist pontoon located in Carrickfergus Harbour beside the Sea Cadet building. Hansas will be berthed in the harbour for the duration of the Championships.

Boats for the President's Cup will be launched and retrieved by Carrick Marine Projects, access via the CSC boat park. Boats can also be launched at the CSC slipway – weather permitting. Boats will be towed to the marina and berthed there for the duration of the Championships.

President's Cup & Hansa 303 Championship Officials

Championship Coordinator	Anne Taylor
Hansa Race Officer	Sheela Lewis
President's Cup Race Officer	Chris Lindsay
Safety Officer	Graham Moucka
First Aid	Colin Craig

Belfast Lough Sailability

Belfast Lough Sailability, a RYA Sailability Centre and Recognised Training Centre, has been offering sailing and boating for people with disabilities at Carrickfergus, and on Belfast Lough, since 2001, becoming a registered charity in 2002.

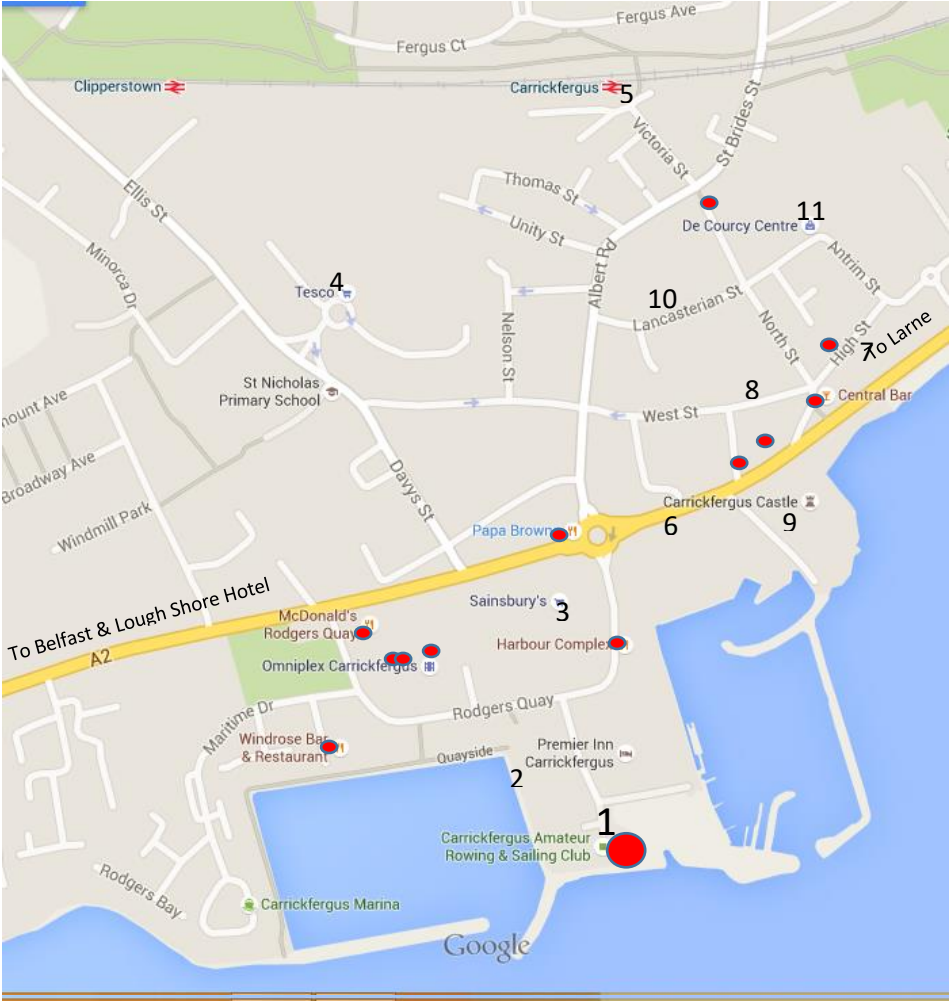


We have multiple launching, berthing, slipway and hoist possibilities. Our fleet includes 6 Hansa 303s, 3 Hawk 20s, 3 2.4 mRs, a Skud 18, a Squib and 4 kayaks. In addition, we have a number of powerboats and safety craft, including the launch Rosy the multi-purpose, wheelchair-accessible vessel, Sea Rover and the latest addition to our fleet a 6.3m ASSO Prestige 630 Pro Rescue RIB, Invincible.

Our aim is to train, educate and encourage more people with disabilities onto the water to enjoy the fun and freedom that boating can offer. As an RYA Recognised Training Centre, we have our own RYA qualified instructors as well as a team of RYA qualified disability awareness trainers who regularly host awareness events.

Many of our volunteers, who themselves have disabilities, have gone on to gain coaching awards and are now passing on their skills to those who are disabled and able bodied.

Carrickfergus Town Centre



Key to Map

- 1 Belfast Lough Sailability & Carrickfergus Sailing Club
- 2 Marina Complex (Visitor information) and pontoon
- 3 Sainsburys Supermarket and cash machine
- 4 Tesco Supermarket
- 5 Railway Station
- 6 Bus stop for Belfast
- 7 Banks and cash machines
- 8 Boots Chemist
- 9 Carrickfergus Castle
- 10 St Nicholas' Church
- 11 De Courcy Visitor Centre
-  Restaurants and fast food outlets

Church Services

St Nicholas' Church of Ireland, Market Place

Sunday 9.00am and 11.00am and 6.00pm

St Nicholas' Catholic Church, Minorca Place (at traffic lights opposite Tesco)

Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 11.30am

1st Carrickfergus Presbyterian Church, North Street

11.00am and 7.00pm

Methodist Church, Albert Road

11.00am and 7.00pm

Local Amenities

Transport

Trains run every 30 minutes to Belfast Central Station and the journey time is 27 minutes. Carrickfergus Station is approximately a 10 minute walk from the sailing club (Point 5 on map).

Buses run every 30 minutes to Belfast City Centre and the journey time is 45/50 minutes. The bus stop is situated on the Marine Highway between the Castle and the roundabout (Point 6 on map).

Taxis

Mahoods Taxis – 028 9336 2727 Wheelchair accessible taxis available

365 Taxis – 028 9036 5365

Health

Medical - Emergency out of hours service – 028 2566 3500

Dental – Emergency out of hours service – 028 9336 1000

Chemists

Boots – Market Place (off West Street)

Medicare – High Street

Money

Cash machines are situated at Sainsburys (3) and Tescos (4) and in the High Street (7)

Food

There are number of restaurants and fast food outlets close to the Sailing Club which are marked on the map.

Port O'Call - CSC	Tel 028 9335 1402
Harbour Complex – Rodgers Quay	Tel 028 9336 8575
Josh Macs – Rodgers Quay	Tel 028 9336 6669
Springsteins Diner – Rodgers Quay	Tel 028 9335 0551
The Swift – Rodgers Quay	Tel 028 9336 8575
Wind Rose – Rodgers Quay	Tel 028 9335 1164
PaPa Browns – Marine Highway	Tel 028 9336 8889
Central Bar – High Street	Tel 028 9335 7840
Ownies – Joymount	Tel 028 9335 1850
Mayur Indian – Castle Street	Tel 028 9335 1865
Sozo – North Street	Tel 028 9332 6060
Indian Ocean – Belfast Road	Tel 028 9335 5422

Tourist Information

Information on local attractions can be obtained from the Marina Building (2) and De Courcy Centre (10)

Places of Interest

Carrickfergus

Carrickfergus Castle



Carrickfergus Castle is a Norman castle in Northern Ireland, situated in the town of Carrickfergus in County Antrim, on the northern shore of Belfast Lough. Besieged in turn by the Scots, Irish, English and French, the castle played an important military role until 1928 and remains one of the best preserved medieval structures in Ireland.

For more than 800 years, Carrickfergus Castle has been an imposing monument on the Northern Ireland landscape whether approached by land, sea or air. The castle now houses historical displays as well as cannons from the 17th to the 19th centuries

Opening hours 10.00am – 4.00pm (last admission 3.30pm)

Charges:

Adults - £5.00

Child – (aged 4-16) - £3.00

Senior citizen - £3.00

Students - £3.00

Children under 4 – free

Family (5 members) - £13.00

Group rate (10+, must be pre-booked) - £3 per person

St Nicholas' Church (Church of Ireland)

Market Place, Carrickfergus



Established on this site in 1182 by John de Courcy the church has many interesting features including a famed crooked aisle, deliberately created to represent the head of Christ on the Cross falling to the right, and impressive stained glass windows. For access contact the Church office on 028 93360061. Entrance is free but donations are welcome.

Flame Gasworks

44 Irish Quarter West

Ireland's sole surviving coal gasworks opened in 1855 and supplied Carrickfergus with gas made from coal for over 100 years. Gas was produced until 1967 and the works closed in 1987. The site has been fully restored by Carrickfergus Gasworks Preservation Society and is now open as a visitor and educational attraction.

Open Monday – Friday 2.00pm – 5.00pm (last admission 4.00pm)

Admission free and wheelchair accessible

Amphitheatre Wellness Centre – Open 9.00 am – 5.00pm (swimming, fitness Studio)

Andrew Jackson Centre



Located less than a mile from the town centre, off the Larne Road, the Andrew Jackson Cottage is a traditional thatched Ulster Scots farmhouse built in 1750. The restored cottage has been decorated in the style of a traditional cottage and features an impressive exhibition on the life and career of Andrew Jackson, 7th President of the United States. In the grounds there is a US Rangers Centre museum dedicated to the men of the first battalions of the elite American Army Unit that was first `activated` in Carrickfergus in 1942.

Opening Times

Thursday, Friday, Saturday 11.00am – 3.00pm,
Sunday 1.00pm – 4.00pm. Admission Free

Knockagh Monument



County Antrim War Memorial erected and dedicated to the fallen from Co Antrim who fell during the Great World War (1914-1918) and later dedicated in Remembrance to those from the county who died in the Second World War (1939-1945). The memorial is an impressive landmark on the Co Antrim coastal skyline and from its vantage point offers panoramic views across Belfast Lough to as far away as the Mountains of Mourne.

Belfast

Titanic Centre



Titanic Belfast extends over 9 galleries, with multiple dimensions to the exhibition, drawing together special effects, dark rides, full scale reconstructions and innovative

interactive features to explore the Titanic story in a fresh and insightful way. Explore the shipyard, travel to the depths of the ocean and uncover the true legend of Titanic, in the city where it all began.

Opening hours 9.00am – 7.00pm (last admission 5.30pm)

Charges:

Adults - £15.50

Children (5 - 16) - £7.25

Child (under 5) – free

Student/unemployed - £11.00

Family (2 adults, 2 children) - £39.00

Essential carer – free

Senior 60+ Mon–Fri - £11.00

Sat–Sun - £13.00

5% discount for tickets booked online

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