



46th All-Ireland Inter-Schools Event

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024

Dear Sir or Madam,

Sutton Dinghy Club is holding the Annual All-Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event at Strand Road, Sutton, Dublin 13 on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024. I enclose a Poster, a Notice of Race, Entry Check List, School Entry Form and Boat Registration Forms for the event, which should be returned to SDC marked "Inter-Schools" **by Monday 30th September**. Boat Registration Forms **must** be completed by sailors **and** parents or guardians.

This most popular event has seen many schools compete for the coveted trophies below over the past 45 years. There will be **Mixed Fleet Handicap Racing** where schools will compete for the **Conor Nolan Memorial (Mixed Fleet Team) Trophy** and the **Davidson Memorial (Mixed Fleet Individual) Trophy** and there will be **Optimist Class Racing** where schools will compete for the **Institute of Education (Optimist Class Team) Perpetual Trophy**.

Each school must nominate a **Sailing Captain** and may enter up to three teams, each team consisting of three (or two) boats which for the Mixed Fleet may be of mixed class except Optimists. The **best two boat results** over the event in each team will count. The members of each team **MUST** be nominated in advance on the attached School Entry Form. Team changes may not be made after racing commences.

In most schools, all it takes is one student willing to help get a team together for the event. The students would, I am sure, appreciate any help and encouragement the teachers and parents can give.

I would greatly appreciate if you would ensure that this event is brought to the attention of the young sailors in your school as soon as possible, either by displaying the information on your school notice board, or by giving it to whoever is responsible for organising sports activities.

We look forward to seeing your school represented at the event.

Yours in sport, **Gordan Kelly**
Commodore

Note: Entry Forms for the event **must be returned by Monday 30th September**.

For Safety Reasons Entry Numbers Are Limited - **Early Entry is Highly Recommended**

SCHOOLS MAY SUBMIT ENTRIES WITH **A MAX 3 TEAMS**, BUT SHOULD **PRIORITISE** THEM. SUTTON DINGHY CLUB RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF TEAMS FROM EACH SCHOOL IN A FAIR MANNER TO ENSURE APPROPRIATE SAFETY COVER. IF ENTRY NUMBERS DICTATE, A MAXIMUM OF 2 TEAMS FROM EACH SCHOOL WILL APPLY, THE 3RD TEAM WILL BE DROPPED.

ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE OR IF THE ENTRY LIMIT NUMBER IS REACHED PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE



INTER-SCHOOLS ENTRY CHECKLIST

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENCLOSE THE FOLLOWING:

1. COMPLETED SCHOOL ENTRY FORM(S)

Please photocopy form if you have 3 teams entering (Maximum 3 teams per fleet - Mixed Fleet or Optimist Class Fleet).

2. COMPLETED BOAT REGISTRATION FORMS

All boats must have a Boat Registration Form which must be signed by a parent / guardian if the competitor is under 18 years of age.

3. ENTRY FEES

ONLINE - An Online Payment Facility is now available via the Sutton Dinghy Club website.

- <https://sdc.ie/product-category/events/>

This Online Payment does not guarantee competition entry. The **BOAT REGISTRATION** and **SCHOOL ENTRY FORMS** must also be fully completed and returned to the Club for entry to be valid. When completing the Online Payment please ensure the school name, school contact, phone number, email address and Boat Helm name.

CHEQUES / CASH / CREDIT CARD - Please make cheques payable to "Sutton Dinghy Club" and advise if a receipt is required.

PLEASE ADVISE ALL SAILORS OF THE FOLLOWING:

➤ **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES - Monday 30th September.**

Entries for the event must be received by **Monday 30th September**. Entries will not be accepted after this date, or if the entry limit number is reached prior to the closing date. All helms must have previous racing experience. ISA Level '**Improving Skills**' a minimum. (Previously known as Level 3)

➤ **SINGLE HANDED BOAT = SINGLE SAIL!**

➤ **TWO SAILORS REQUIRED FOR TWO OR MORE SAILS**

➤ **SAILS MUST DISPLAY A UNIQUE IDENTIFYING NUMBER**

➤ **CHECK-IN ON ARRIVAL**

The School Sailing Captain must check-in for all competing students from 9.00am and collect tags and vouchers.

➤ **SAILORS SHOULD BRING THEIR OWN LUNCH!**

Hot food will be available to sailors after racing.

➤ **SAFETY CHECK**

Before launching - floating painter, bailers, paddle, all bungs and hatches must be in place.

➤ **VISITING RIBS**

Please contact Sutton Dinghy Club tel. (01) 839 3135



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NOTICE OF RACE

The All-Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event, racing for the **Conor Nolan Memorial** (Mixed Fleet Team) Trophy and the Davidson Memorial (Mixed Fleet Individual) Trophy and the Institute of Education (Optimist Class Team) Perpetual Trophy will take place on

Saturday 5 th October 2024		Sunday 5 th October 2024	
School Sailing Captain Check-In: 10:00 Briefing: 10:45		First Gun: 12:00	High Water: 14:17 (4.0m)
First Gun 12:00	High Water: 13:48 (3.9m)		

at Sutton Dinghy Club, Strand Road, Sutton, Dublin 13. Weather permitting the race schedule will be for a minimum of 2 races for Mixed Fleet Handicap and Optimist Class Team racing.

Racing Rules will be governed by the rules as defined in The **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)** and **Courses to be sailed will be advised at the Briefing.**

MIXED FLEET HANDICAP RACING: Schools may enter **any number of single-handed or two-person boats**, which will compete on a team and individual basis. Boats will be handicapped on a Portsmouth Yardstick basis, and scored on corrected times. The **Conor Nolan Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the school team with the best two boat results and the **Davidson Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the school of the winning boat.

OPTIMIST CLASS TEAM RACING : Optimist Class sailors will compete on a team basis. The **Institute of Education Perpetual Trophy** will be awarded to the school team with the best two boat results.

It is a condition of entry that **every entrant must be currently attending the school represented**, and that all boats entered are **insured by their owners** for Third Party liability of at least €1,000,000. A school may enter a maximum of three teams. We expect to attract a big entry again this year, with more teams from outside Dublin participating. In most schools, all it takes is one student willing to help get a team together for the event. The students would, I am sure, appreciate any help and encouragement the teachers or parents can give.

Entry Fee: €30.00 Single Person Boat

€50.00 Two Person Boat

Entry Forms for the event must be returned by **Monday 30th September** to:

INTER-SCHOOLS - Sutton Dinghy Club, Strand Road, Sutton, Dublin 13.

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Sutton Dinghy Club contact: Tel: 01 839 3135

Email: info@sdc.ie

Website: www.sdc.ie



BOAT & SAILORS REGISTRATION FORM

46th All Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024

Check-in (SAILING CAPTAINS) from 10:00am on Saturday

SCHOOL:

SCHOOL SAILING CAPTAIN:

HELM'S NAME:.....AGE BOAT TYPE.....

HELM'S CLUB: SAIL NUMBER.....

CREW'S NAME.....AGE..... RIG (Laser Class only).....

I/We agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the ISA, the Sailing Instructions and by all other rules that govern this event. I/We certify that valid insurance cover is in place for this boat including Third Party liability of at least €1,000,000.

Acknowledgement of risk to competitors: I/We, the undersigned, are fully aware and conscious of the actual and potential risks involved in active water sports, including drowning, hypothermia and other physical injuries. We accept that, by engaging in active water sports, our physical safety could be endangered. We are also aware that other competitors' actions, and the actions or inactions of the organisers of water sport events, including the drivers of rescue craft, can also endanger our physical safety. We acknowledge that it is up to us personally to assess whether any event or activity on the water is too difficult for us and to acknowledge that the safety of the boat and our entire management including insurance is our sole responsibility. We are satisfied that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the races scheduled.

Personal Data: I/We understand the personal data on this form will be used by the Club for the contractual purpose of registering an entry in the **All Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event**. I/We understand that Personal Data will also be used for administrative purposes to maintain event and team administration, registrations, race scoring, results, protests, race reports and for statistical purposes. I/We understand that if I/We do not provide the required Personal Data the entry for this Event cannot be registered with the Club.

Photographic images: I/We understand that photographs taken at the event can be used on the SDC website and in information and publicity materials.

SIGNED: Helm: Crew:

E-mail: E-mail:

Mobile: Mobile:

IF A COMPETITOR IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, THE SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS ALSO REQUIRED:

Parent or guardian of Helm: Parent or guardian of Crew:

NAME:..... NAME:

Mobile No.:..... Mobile No.:.....

Signature:..... Signature:.....

**Return completed form to INTER-SCHOOLS - Sutton Dinghy Club, Strand Road,
Sutton, Dublin 13,
Sutton Dinghy Club contact: Tel: 01 839 3135 Email: info@sdc.ie
Website: www.sdc.ie**



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46th All Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event**

Sat. 5th & Sun 6th October 2024

Saturday - Check-in: 10:00 / Briefing: 10:45

First Gun: 12:00 on both days.

Mixed Fleet Racing:

Any Dinghy Class (except Optimists)

CONOR NOLAN MEMORIAL TROPHY - Team

DAVIDSON MEMORIAL TROPHY - Individual

Riocard O'Tiarnaigh Trophy - Best Sutton Helm

Best Primary School Trophy

Optimist Class Racing:

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION PERPETUAL TROPHY - Team

OPTIMIST INDIVIDUAL TROPHY - INDIVIDUAL

For information: contact Sutton Dinghy Club: Tel: (01) 839 3135 / E-mail: info@sdc.ie / Web: www.sdc.ie

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A Short History of Sutton Dinghy Club's All Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event

The first ever "National Inter-Schools Regatta" sailed in Ireland, the brainchild of Riocard O'Tiarnaigh, was sailed at Sutton Dinghy Club on Saturday April 12th 1975. Riocard, an educator and sailor and later Commodore of Sutton Dinghy Club, was acutely aware of the developmental benefits from maritime activities and sailing in particular for youngsters, many of whom might not have an opportunity to experience water sports. While teaching at Belvedere College Dublin, Riocard devised and organised this competition. Today sailing is included on many school's sport curricula, but back in 1975 this certainly was not the case.

With the main organiser a Belvedere teacher, it was no surprise that the College entered a team. Indeed the youthful enthusiasm of a number of Belvedere students and Clontarf Yacht & Boat Club members Conor Nolan, Aidan Keating and Dermot Murray played a big part in encouraging other schools to take part. Belvedere College have been ever present since that first event in 1975.

It was a wonderfully unique occasion, with supporters from all the competing schools, out in their colours, cheering on their schools team. Mount Temple Comprehensive School's team ran out inaugural winners of Sutton Dinghy Clubs "National Inter-Schools Regatta", taking the prize against sailors representing Santa Sabina, Sutton; Catholic University Schools, Dublin; St Fintan's High School, Sutton; St Paul's, Raheny; and of course Belvedere College, Great Denmark St.

However, joy turned to tragedy only a week later. One of the borrowed Belvedere boats had suffered some damage and during the following week the three friends Conor, Aidan and Dermot came out to Sutton to assess the damage and returned on the following Saturday to meet Riocard to affect the repairs. They left Sutton mid-afternoon in cheerful, carefree high spirits typical of their age. They were heading into Clontarf Yacht & Boat Club to finish varnishing their GP14's, for the start of the season's racing. It was a gloriously sunny spring day as they strolled to Sutton Cross, laughing and chatting, to catch the bus. At 20.30hrs Riocard received a call from Aidan Keating to tell him that Conor had fallen and tragically died.

Over the years the racing format has changed a number of times with today Mixed Fleet racing on Portsmouth Yardstick for both an Individual and Team Trophy and now includes an Optimist Fleet for younger sailors also with Individual and Team Trophies. While many of the local schools participate, the event attracts schools from all across the country.

The success of the All Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event, has seen the need to cap entries to 120 boats. In recent years we have regularly attracted 30-35 schools, with up to 180 sailors taking part. Some of our top National and International sailors including ISAF medallists and Olympians including Ger Owens, Dan O'Grady, Annalise Murphy, David Burrows, Scott Flanigan, Dougie Elmes and Ewan McMahon have graced this event, racing with their school mates for the honour of their schools. In 2016 Santa Sabina team skipper Aoife Hopkins competed for the last time and has since gone on to take Gold at the European U21 Laser Radial Event.

The '**Conor Nolan Memorial Trophy**' is presented annually to the winning Team by Conor Nolan's parents Patsy and Paddy. Sutton Dinghy Club acknowledges the continued support of Conor's parents and family. It is a most fitting memorial to a very fine young man, whose contribution helped establish one of Sutton Dinghy Club's and Irish Sailings most coveted and prestigious annual sailing competitions.

The competition that has gone from strength to strength and now heads into its 46th edition. We hope you enjoy your visit to Sutton in 2024.

46th All-Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event - School Entry Form



I,, **Sailing Captain** forSchool wish to enter the boats listed below for the 46th All-Ireland Inter-Schools Sailing Event on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024.

I confirm that all sailors in each boat entered are full-time pupils at the above school during academic year 2023 / 2024.

I understand that both the organisers of this event and the school represented are not responsible for any loss or damage incurred by any person or persons in any way connected with the event.

School address.....School email.....

Entry Fee: €30 single person boat, €50 two-person boat

I Enclose (Cash / Cheque) for € (Total Entry Fee) **OR** I have completed Online Payment for € (Total Entry Fee)

SIGNED (**Sailing Captain** for school):..... Email:
Mobile

SIGNED (**Adult at event**):.....PRINT NAME.....
Mobile at event:.....

Boat Type	If ILCA/Laser specify 4.7/Radial/Full Rig	Sail Number	Hull Colour	Name of Helm	Name of Crew
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Team: A

Team:B

Return form to: Sutton Dinghy Club, Strand Road, Sutton, Dublin 13. / **Tel:** 01 839 3135 / **Web:** www.sdc.ie / **Email:** info@sdcc.ie

Closing Date for Entries: Mon. 30^h September 2024 **Captain Check in:** from 10:00 on Saturday 5th October
 Sailors should bring their own lunch. Hot food will be provided for sailors after racing.
ENTRIES WILL BE REJECTED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE OR IF THE ENTRY LIMIT NUMBER IS REACHED PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE