

## **GUIDELINES FOR SLYC DUTY RACE OFFICERS**

### **SUPPLEMENT FOR ROUND THE LOUGH RACE SATURDAYS**

On Round the Lough Race Saturdays the attached guidelines are varied as follows.

Firstly, on arrival at the Club you will need to consider if conditions are suitable for a Round the Lough Race. It may be too windy for any racing in which case you should hoist flag N from the Clubhouse flagpole as for an ordinary racing day.

Occasionally, when conditions are fresh, Race Officers may consider it unsuitable for a Round the Lough Race but OK for a round the buoys race and substitute an ordinary Saturday race for the keel boat classes. In these cases you should hoist flag S from the Clubhouse flagpole.

Sometimes conditions are so calm that the keelboat classes have little chance of reaching Marfield Bay by the 5 pm time limit and in these cases you should also substitute a round the buoys race for the scheduled Round the Lough race and hoist flag S from the Clubhouse flagpole.

Secondly course setting for Round the Lough Races is easier for Race Officers as there are only two decisions to make: which first mark to use and which of the three pre-arranged courses to use. The normal considerations apply when choosing the first mark. So far as course selection is concerned, try to choose a course that gives a beat.

As a general guideline you may wish to use course X if the wind is SW or W, course Y if it is NE or E or course Z if it is N, NW, S or SE.

Fourthly you are not responsible for finishing Round the Lough races. The boats taking part do not finish at the battery and record their own finishing places.