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GENISOL LIGHT VESSEL RACE 2011 OPEN BELGIAN IRC CHAMPIONSHIP 2011

2 – 3 – 4 SEPTEMBER 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY:

The Light Vessel Race 2011 will be organised by the Royal Belgian Sailing Club vzw.

LOCATION: Royal Belgian Sailing Club Redederskaai, 1 8380 Zeebrugge Belgium

QUALIFICATION:

The Light Vessel Race 2011 qualifies as Open Belgian Championship IRC 2011 (OBK IRC 2011). The Light Vessel Race 2011 also qualifies for the Open North Sea Championship 2011 of VYF (ONZK 2011), and the Trophy Gaëtan Janssens 2011 of UNCL.

1.RULES:

- 1.1 The Light Vessel Race 2011 will be governed by:
 - The International Racing Rules of the I.S.A.F and the prescriptions of the FRBY KBYV The ORC Special Regulations, Cat. 4. The IRC Regulations for yachts competing in the IRC class.
 - The CR Regulations for yachts competing in the CR class.
 - The Open North Sea Championship 2011 General Sailing Instructions
 - The Notices of Race.
 - The Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 A yacht participating in the IRC class must carry a sail number corresponding with the one of her measurement certificate and according to RRS 77. This is a warning as mentioned in RRS G4. Belgian yachts participating in a regatta must carry a sail number issued by the FRYB-KBYV.
- 1.3 Between sunset and sunrise, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) will replace the ISAF Rules.
- 1.4 When encountering other shipping than racing yachts, the IRPCS or the local rules shall be complied with.
- In case of conflict between languages the English text will prevail.

2.ADVERTISING:

The event shall rank as category "C. The flag of the main sponsor shall be prominently displayed from a backstay, according to Appendix 1 section 20.3.2. (b).

3.ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES:

The Light Vessel Race 2011 is open to:

-all IRC measured yachts with a valid measurement certificate -all CR measured yachts with a valid measurement certificate





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Entries shall only be made on the official <u>www.rbsc.be</u> website by completing the entry form. Entries shall be received before 1st September 2011. Late entries (after the 1st September deadline) may be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority. Registration is only valid after a completely filled out registration form and all fees have been received by the organising authority. The Regatta Office in Zeebrugge will be open on Friday 2nd September 2011 from 10.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs, and Saturday 3rd September from 08.30 hrs to 10.00 hrs. In Breskens on Friday 2nd from 18 to 19 hours.

For any further information: Royal Belgian Sailing Club Rederskaai 1 8380 Zeebrugge Belgium E-mail: <u>havenmeester@rbsc.be</u> or <u>zeebrugge@rbsc.be</u> Phone: +32 50 54 49 03 Fax: +32 50 55 26 05

4.EVENT FEES:

100,00€ Euro/IRC and CR boats against the deliverance of the Sailing Instructions.

The entry fee for the IRC and CR, includes the regatta, French fries on arrival Friday evening, a breakfast and lunch packet per participant (Saturday and Sunday morning, lunch packet to be composed from the breakfast buffet by yourself). Payments of the entry fee (in Euro only) shall be received during onsite registration in Zeebrugge (cash or via our bank account) or Breskens (only cash) <u>no dinner via de bank account</u>. Sailing Instructions will be available in Zeebrugge and Breskens during registration times for all boats that fulfilled payment.

Bank name: FORTIS BANK Vroonstalledries 19 - 9032 Wondelgem (Gent)- Belgium Account number: 290-0539350-51 Account name: Royal Belgian Sailing Club Swift code: BIC GEBABEBB IBAN: BE 75 2900 5393 5051 Please state: Name skipper, event, type of boat & sail number ALL BANK COSTS AT CHARGE OF THE PARTICIPATING CREW

ATTENTION: PAYMEMENT FOR THE DINNER CAN NOT BE DONE BY BANK TRANSFER AND MUST BE DONE IN CASH AT REGISTRATION.

5.SCHEDULE OF RACES AND ON SITE REGISTRATION:

Light Vessel Race 2011 Date Time Event 2nd September Friday 10:00-Registration for the CR and IRC class at the RBSC harbour 17:00 master office in Zeebrugge. 17:00 Bus leaving from Zeebrugge to Breskens (Fee 6€, for max 50 persons, on base first registered first served) sharp 18:00-Registration for the CR and IRC class at the WVB office in 19:00 Breskens.





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	19:55	First warning signal "Inshore race" for the IRC and CR class from Breskens to Zeebrugge.
3 rd September Saturday	08:30- 09:30 10:55	Registration for the CR and IRC class, breakfast and lunch packet at the harbour master office. Warning Signal 1 st race of the day. The warning signal for each succeeding race in IRC class will be made as soon as practicable.
	19:00	Diner participants in clubhouse Alberta
4 th September Sunday	08:30- 09:30	Breakfast and lunch packet at the harbour master office
	10:55	Warning Signal 1 st race of the day. The warning signal for each succeeding race in IRC class will be made as soon as practicable. No first warning signal will be made for the IRC class after 15:30 unless a general recall has been made.
	+-18:00	Prize giving in clubhouse Alberta

In case the forecasted weather conditions would force the organisation committee to cancel the race of Friday evening, all participants may be warned by e-mail or phone before 14:00 on Friday 2nd September. In that case the race schedule on Saturday 3rd September will start with an inshore race from Breskens to Duinbergen, with a first warning signal in Breskens at 09:55, followed by several windward-leeward courses before the beach of Duinbergen.

6.MEASUREMENTS :

Each competitor in the IRC and CR class shall present a valid measurement certificate on the first day of his onsite registration. To prevent any dispute, no **fundamental** measurement need to be carried out on the spot. Any boat or equipment may be inspected for **compliance with the class rules and the sailing instructions** at any time. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for measurements checks.

7.SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Sailing Instructions will be given to each competitor on completion of registration.

8.VENUE:

The Light Vessel Race 2011 will be held at the North Sea, on Friday along the coast from Breskens (Netherlands) to Zeebrugge (Belgium), on Saturday and Sunday in front of the Beach Club Duinbergen / Knokke-Heist Belgium, or along the coast of Belgium in case of inshore races.

9.COURSES AND COMPETITION FORMAT:

The event shall use:

For the IRC class:

An inshore Race on Friday evening (one way medium distance from Breskens to Zeebrugge). Windward/ leeward courses on Saturday and Sunday. In case of strong wind conditions on Saturday or Sunday the Windward-leeward courses can be replaced by "Inshore Races".

For the CR class: Three "inshore races" are foreseen, one on Friday evening, one on Saturday and one on Sunday.

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A separated start is foreseen for de IRC and CR class (Mini 6.50 if any will start together with the CR class)

The following classes are foreseen:

- 1. IRC 1 & 2 (TCC ≥ 0.980)
- 2. IRC 3 (TCC < 0.980)
- 3. CR 1 & 2
- 4. CR 3, 4, 5 & 6

10. PENALTY SYSTEM:

- 10.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that a boat may take only a one turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing.
- 10.2 RRS 42.1 will be applied.

As foreseen in the Fundamental Rule of the I.S.A.F. (assistance) or to recover a person who fell overboard, the RRS 42.3 (f) (propulsion) allows to use the engine or other means of propulsion. Such an incident must be declared at the finish of the race and shall be reported on the race declaration. In case of unforeseen circumstances, a yacht may be in a position whereby she is bound to use the engine or other means of propulsion, so as not to infringe the International Regulations For Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) or the governing right-of-way rules applicable to the area. Such an incident must be reported on the race declaration. In this case, the Jury may announce a disqualification if it is convinced that the involved yacht gained a significant advantage.

11.SCORING SYSTEM:

The ranking of the Light Vessel Race 2011 will be as follows:

For the IRC class:

-the inshore race from Breskens to Zeebrugge on Friday evening

-the windward-leeward races on Saturday and Sunday.

The Light Vessel Race will be scored as provided in Appendix A of RSS ISAF using the Low Point System. All races (inshore race and windward-leeward) will count for overall points with a factor 1,0. When 4 or more races have been completed, the worst score for these races will be discarded.

For the CR Class:

The Light Vessel Race will be scored as provided in Appendix A of RSS ISAF using the Low Point System.

The three "inshore races" will count for overall points, there will be no discard.

12.PRIZES:

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organizers.

13.DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Light Vessel Race 2011. Any competitor under the age of 18 yrs will be required to obtain parental/guardian consent prior to commencement of the Light Vessel Race 2011.

14.INSURANCE:

Each participating boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,00€ or the equivalent.

15.RIGHT TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS:

In sailing this event a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time and at their discretion, any motion or still pictures, and live, taped or film television and any other reproductions of him/her during the period of the





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Light Vessel Race in which the competitor competes and in all material related to the Light Vessel Race without any compensation.

16.BERTHING FACILITIES

All boats officially registered and having paid their entry fee can have 7 days free berthing arrangements prior and after the Light Vessel Race 2011. The instructions of the harbour masters must be strictly followed.

Please contact the RBSC Zeebrugge harbour masters for reservation

17.ACCOMODATION:

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General information is available on the web page from the local tourist office <u>www.brugge.be</u> Or Tourist Office Knokke: Zeedijk Knokke 660 B.8300 Knokke-Heist Tel: +32 50 63 03 80 or +32 50 51 20 59 <u>toerisme@knokke-heist.be</u> <u>www.knokke-heist.be</u>

18.SIDE EVENT INFORMATION

Saturday 3rd September there will be a Diner organized at the Clubhouse Alberta. The Diner is not included in the entry fee. The price for the Diner is 25,00€ per person. Registration for the diner will be closed at 200 entries!

Reservation for the Diner must be done by mail at <u>nicky@rbsc.be</u> or by phone (+32 50 54 49 03) no later than September the 1st. Please consider our organization!

A shuttle service is foreseen from Breskens to Zeebrugge on the 2nd of September, a bus will leave the RBSC Marina Zeebrugge to Breskens at 17:00 sharp. The fee for the bus is 6€ per person, a max of 50 persons are foreseen on base first registered first served.

Reservation for the shuttle must be done by mail at <u>nicky@rbsc.be</u> or by phone (+32 50 54 49 03) no later than August the 30th. In case of an insufficient number of reservations, the shuttle service will be cancelled, and everyone who made a reservation will be warned by e-mail or phone not later than September the 1^{st} .

<u>EVENT INFORMATION:</u> For all information please contact: Royal Belgian Sailing Club Marine Zeebrugge Rederskaai, 1 8380 Zeebrugge Belgium

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We wish you a successful Light Vessel Race 2011! With many thanks to our sponsors!

