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Welcome to the Rooster International Topper Class World Championships

Ballyholme Yacht Club,
Bangor, Northern Ireland,
24 - 29th July 2016

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4.2 Topper World Championships

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2016
Ballyholme Yacht Club



Ballyholme YC



International Topper Class Association

WELCOME TO THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The International Topper Class Association is very pleased to welcome all competitors and supporters to Ballyholme Yacht Club for the Rooster International Topper Class World Championships 2016.

This year's Championship promises to be a spectacular event with competitors spanning 4 continents and 10 countries. We are delighted to welcome competitors from China, France, Thailand, Australia, Japan, Macau, Turkey, South Africa, Great Britain, and Ireland.

The friendly nature of the Topper Class precedes itself, and competitors of all ages and stages are warmly welcomed.

A special welcome is extended to those sailors who are participating in their first World Championships. We trust you will find other sailors, families and organisers very helpful if you have any questions.

Parents and supporters, thank you for making it possible for sailors to attend! If you can help at the World Championships in any way, please contact the registration desk / race office. We have lots of opportunities for you to get involved, and would greatly appreciate your support.

A huge thank you to all our event sponsors – our Title Sponsor, Rooster Sailing Solutions, Topper International,

Volvo, P & O Ferries, Proctor and Stevenson, Art History Abroad, and Rothwells Super Travel. The fantastic prizes and support given to the event have been extensive and are highly valued.

If you require any assistance during the event, please call in to the Race Office. We are happy to help!



WELCOME TO BALLYHOLME YACHT CLUB

As Commodore of Ballyholme Yacht Club, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our visitors to the 2016 Rooster Topper World Championships - whether competitors, coaches, family, friends, volunteers or those who have simply come along to watch.

We have a very strong tradition of delivering fantastic sailing events both on and off the water. My earliest memories at BYC are of the Laser Europeans in 1979 and since then we have hosted Finns, Laser Radials, F18's and many other championships. These have also inspired a generation of local talent that have gone on to participate in most of the Olympic Games from 1984 until the present day.

In a couple of weeks time Ryan Seaton and Matt McGovern will represent Ireland at the Rio Olympics 2016.

Both Matt and Ryan progressed through the Topper dinghy on their way to their current 49er. Toppers have been at Ballyholme Yacht Club for over 40 years - in fact I remember ten arriving at the

club in my fifth form (1981/2) for the local grammar school to use. Since then we have hosted numerous provincial and national Topper championships and are very grateful to the ITCA for awarding us the privilege of hosting the 2016 World Championships. It is fantastic to see so many entries from so many different countries and we especially welcome the large Chinese party.

Ballyholme Yacht Club of course have Ireland's only Topper World Champion to date in Liam Glynn who has gone on to campaign in the Laser Radial and this week also competes in a World Championship on Irish waters at the Royal St George Yacht Club in Dun Laoghaire. Despite our hope that this

feat may be repeated soon, we wish all of the competitors a great week of enjoyable and fair sailing and may the best Topper sailor win in both the standard and 4.2 fleet.

Mark Mackey
Commodore
Ballyholme Yacht Club 



Commodore Mark Mackey with Mayor Deborah Girvan, Ryan Seaton and Matt McGovern and three Ballyholme Yacht Club Topper sailors

WELCOME TO BANGOR!



As Mayor of Ards and North Down I am delighted to welcome you all to Bangor for the prestigious Topper World Championships 2016.

As you will know Ballyholme Yacht Club have hosted Topper events for over 20 years including many National and Provincial events but this is the first time that they have hosted the Topper World Championships.

I hope that all involved will enjoy a week of world class sailing and hospitality in this beautiful seaside town of Bangor.

For us, in Ards and North Down Borough Council, it is a real pleasure to offer

financial support to a first class event that is coordinated so expertly by local people.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the organisers for all of the hard work and effort which goes into organising such a high profile event and wish all the competitors, sponsors and all else involved every success for a great Championship.

Alderman Deborah Girvan
Mayor of Ards and North Down



WHAT'S ON

Below please find the proposed schedule for the week. Times are subject to change, so please check the notice board regularly for any amendments or updates.

Saturday 23rd	10:00 - 17:00	Registration and Measurement Climbing Wall and VR Helmets
Sunday 24th	10:00 - 17:00	Registration and Measurement Climbing Wall and VR Helmets
	10:00	Annual Committee Meeting
	17:00	Briefing - Coach, Parent and Support Ribs
	18:30	Opening Ceremony - Bring your Flags!
	19:30	Finger Buffet
Monday 25th	Launch Team	Ulster and Connaught
	10:30	Competitor Briefing
	12:25	5.3 and 4.2 World Championships Racing, Qualification Series
Tuesday 26th	Launch Team	Munster and Leinster
	11:25	5.3 and 4.2 World Championships Racing, Qualification Series
Wednesday 27th	Launch Team	North, Midlands and East England
	11:25	5.3 and 4.2 World Championships Racing, Qualification Series
	After Racing	International Masters Event - to be confirmed
	19:00	Championship Dinner at Ballyholme Yacht Club
Thursday 28rd	Launch Team	South, Southwest and South East England
	11:25	5.3 and 4.2 World Championships Racing, Championship Series
Friday 29th	Launch Team	Scotland, Wales and China
	11:25	5.3 and 4.2 World Championships Racing, Championship Series
	After Racing	Prizegiving and Closing Ceremony

RIBS

All RIBS can be launched at the RNLI slipway. Access is gained through the electric gates beside the RNLI station by contacting the Marina Office: +44 (0)2891 453297 <http://www.quaymarinas.com/our-marinas/bangor-marina/>

RIB trailers will be stored in a locked car park at Bangor Central Primary School, on Castle Park Road. Access will be provided to this location as required.

All coach and support ribs must be registered for the event. Forms are available online or at the Race Office. A £20 deposit will be required for a flag, refundable on return.



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ON ARRIVAL

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Arriving at the Club you should park along the Seacliff Road and make your way to the main Club building where you will find information and Registration. Registration is in the Cadet room, which is located in the Main Building to the right inside the front door.

Dinghies can be unloaded on Seacliff Road. Dinghy trailers are to be stored across the road from the club on a grassed area, adjacent to the tennis courts at the corner of Seaforth Road.

Access to the dinghy parks will be through Gates A or B. No vehicles (except campers) will be given access to the dinghy parks.

CAMPERS / MOTORHOMES

Motorhomes should park on Seacliff Road or ideally in the car parks north of the Club and come to Registration. Spaces will be allocated within Club grounds or possibly in the car parks north of the Club as the safety of sailors is paramount.

Tents will be based at the nearby Royal Ulster Yacht Club and those who are camping should first come to Registration.

CLUB ADDRESS

Ballyholme Yacht Club,
 Seacliff Road,
 Bangor,
 BT20 5HT
 Tel: 028 9127 1467

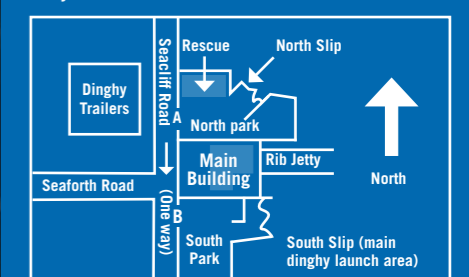
Directions to the club are available on the ITCA World Website: <http://www.itcaworld.org/>

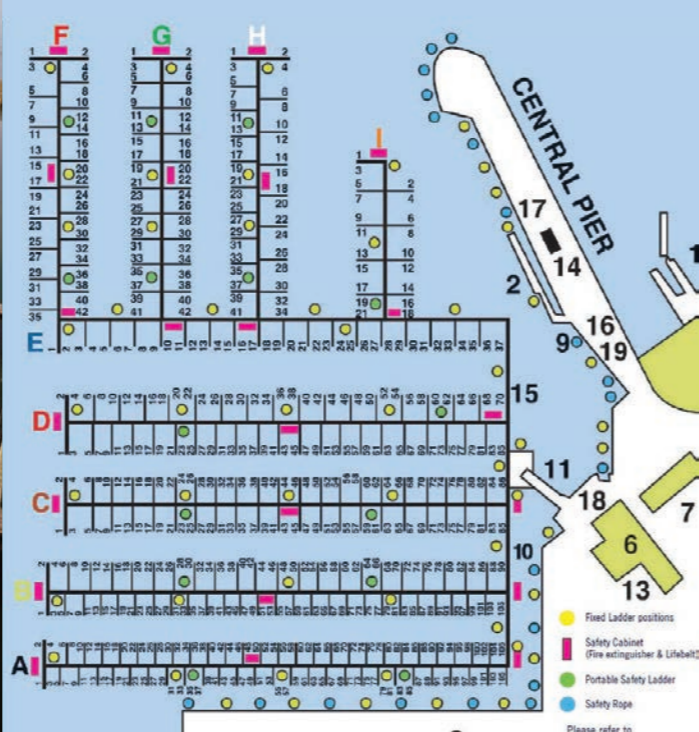


Map showing locations of Ballyholme Yacht Club (BYC), Royal Ulster Yacht Club (RUYC), and Marina



Ballyholme Yacht Club (BT20 5HT) – Site Plan





BANGOR MARINA

Dear Competitor,

It is with pleasure that we welcome to Bangor Marina all those participating in Topper World Championships. The superb facilities at Bangor Marina, and its position in the Town Centre, make it the ideal base for prestigious events such as this.

The Marina offers well maintained pontoon berths which are encompassed by extensive breakwaters making the facility unique in offering sheltered, safe and secure berthing throughout the year.

The Marina is internationally recognised as an award winning facility offering fine onshore amenities including free berth holder car parking and Wi-Fi. Accolades include the THYA 5 Gold Anchor award, Investors in People award, World Host award, Park Mark award, ICOMIA's Clean Marina award and RYA Active Marina award.

Quay Marinas are delighted to sponsor and support the Topper World Championships to be held by Ballyholme Yacht Club.

For your safety and enjoyment while berthed at Bangor Marina, we would be grateful if you would observe the following:

- Please be courteous to other marina customers.
- Please observe the 4 knots Dead Slow speed limit.
- Refuel only at the fuel berth.
- Please do not run or cycle on the pontoons.
- Please do not overload your trolley.

- Personal Buoyancy should be worn by all RIB crew when on the pontoons and afloat.
- Make sure your child wears a personal flotation device.
- Barbecues are not allowed upon the pontoons.

Emergencies

In the unlikely event of any emergency a siren will sound. Please listen for and follow all subsequent instructions which will be broadcast by loudspeaker and on VHF channel 80.

The issued event PIN will allow access to the Marina between 0600hrs and 2330hrs. For your own security and safety do not give this PIN to unauthorised persons. Access after 2330hrs may be gained by contacting the Duty Berthing Master.

In closing may we wish you a happy, enjoyable and safe weekend at Bangor Marina

Yours faithfully,

Kevin Baird
Marina Manager & Harbour Master

WHO'S WHO AT THE WORLDS



International Topper Class Association

Bill Brassington, President
Dave Cockerill, Vice President and International Coach
Ian Cox, International Measurer
Jocelyn Hill, International Coach
Digby Fox, Videographer
Finn Purdy, Press Officer

Andy Millington, Vice President
Sally Dugdale, Racing Co-ordinator
Michelle Hill, International Secretary
Ryan Glynn, International Coach
Simon McIlwaine, Photographer

Ballyholme Yacht Club

Mark Mackey, Commodore
Robin Gray IRO, Principal Race Officer
Ruth Mullan, Event Safety Officer
Jo Rennie, Captain / Volunteer Co-ordinator

Philip Martin, Event Director
Rory Flannigan, Rescue Coordinator and Senior Marklayer
Helen Farrell, Club Manager

Jury

Tonny Jennsen (NOR - IJ)
William Jeffcote (GBR - IJ)
Manuel Ken Gamito (POR - NJ)

Graham Louth (GBR - IJ)
Christos Theodosis (GRE - NJ)

Should you require any assistance during the World Championships, please contact:-

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Michelle Hill, ITCA International Secretary	secretary@itcaworld.org	+44 (0)77 0268 2980

Trolley tags will be available from Registration and must be secured to dinghy trailers. A tally system will operate on each day of sailing and no sailor will be permitted afloat until they have tallied out. All sailors must tally in when they come ashore.

Catering

Tea/coffee and breakfast rolls will be available each morning in the galley and meals will be available from lunchtime to evening. Packed lunches can be ordered for the next day from the galley. A BBQ will be held on Wednesday evening and all competitors receive a ticket in their entry packs. Additional tickets are available for purchase from the Race Office. Please inform galley/catering staff of any dietary requirements as early as possible please.

Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony will begin at 1830 on 24th July 2016 and sailors should begin to form up in their country groups from 1800 in the car park to the north of the club. Everyone will then be brought to the North Park for some entertainment, welcome speeches, and a finger buffet.

Currency

Please note that Northern Ireland is a part of the United Kingdom and the local currency is £ GBP, although many shops will take Euros.

Volunteers

If you are available to assist with any volunteering through the week, please inform a member of staff at Registration. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

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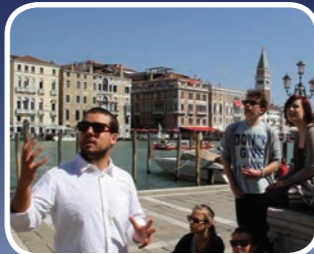
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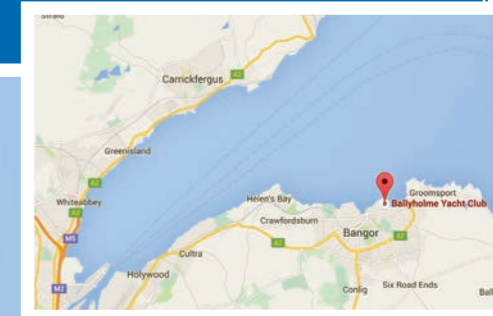
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24 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:22	SUNSET 20:39	SUNDAY	3.6 01:24	0.3 07:48	3.3 13:58	0.6 20:02
25 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:23	SUNSET 20:38	MONDAY	3.6 02:12	0.4 08:34	3.3 14:50	0.6 20:51
26 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:25	SUNSET 20:36	TUESDAY	3.5 03:03	0.5 09:25	3.2 15:47	0.7 21:44
27 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:27	SUNSET 20:35	WEDNESDAY	3.4 03:58	0.6 10:24	3.2 16:48	0.8 22:45
28 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:28	SUNSET 20:33	THURSDAY	3.3 05:03	0.7 11:38	3.1 17:55	
29 TH JUL	MOON ☾	SUNRISE 04:30	SUNSET 20:31	FRIDAY	0.9 00:00	3.2 06:20	0.7 12:55	3.2 19:07



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THE HISTORY OF BALLYHOLME YACHT CLUB

In 2018, Ballyholme Yacht Club (BYC) will celebrate its centenary having originally started as Bangor Bay Sailing Club in the late 1800's as an alternative to their neighbour Royal Ulster. The original building still survives, as the pavilion, at the top of the grassy area used this week for trailer storage.

Despite being one of the youngest clubs in Belfast Lough, we may have been the luckiest as we enjoy a sheltered bay with relatively steady prevailing southerly breeze and little tide compared to other clubs. In the summer we often enjoy a sea breeze that sometimes doesn't even extend out or around to Bangor.

Until the marina was built in the early 1980's, Ballyholme Bay was filled with keelboats moored and owned by members of both Bangor clubs. Some of these keelboats are older than BYC - the Waverley recently celebrated 115 years, though they originated from across the lough in Whitehead. In contrast, the original Bangor one-design keelboats - Lakes, Seabirds, Snipes, Rivers, Glens and Fairies - have all either become extinct or moved on to other clubs across Ireland. Many returned earlier this month for Royal Ulster Yacht Club's 150 year celebrations.

Despite its keelboat history more recently in half tonners, Dragons and Sigma 33's,

Ballyholme Yacht Club has been seen mainly as a dinghy club over the last 40 years. In the 1960s & 70s, we boasted over forty GP14's and Enterprises, with Mirrors and Cadets for our youth.

All of these have now been replaced by one of the largest club Laser fleets in the UK and Ireland, whilst our cadets mainly race Toppers until they step up to the Laser Radial. We continue to encourage double handed sailing with RS Feva's, 200s and 400s and F18 catamarans. BYC are lucky to still have a strong regular club racing fleet in the summer. Over the winter we host the Icebreaker series which has recently seen entries of over 100 dinghies competing most Sundays from October to April, with boats travelling from as far as Donegal and Dublin to take part.

Ballyholme Yacht Club are very proud of our heritage - the strength of our sailors whether sailing in local, national or Olympic events. We have 3 World Champions and

11 Olympic sailors stretching from 1976 to the Rio Olympics. We have 2 International Race Officers, one of which - Bill O'Hara - has served as PRO for the Volvo RTW Race and travels the world most of the year, either acting as IRO, IJ or rules advisor to many countries including Russia (in 2012) and China.

Our PRO this week is Robin Gray who has probably officiated in every class known in Ireland over the last twenty years. He spends almost every summer weekend either out in Belfast Lough for ourselves or another local club, or across Ireland. Robin qualified as an IRO last year having served as ARO for the F18 World Championships at Ballyholme in 2014. He has already done PRO for the Weymouth Sail for Gold medal race at the World Cup last month. Robin also acts as the RYANI Race Management Coordinator and has taught most of the local Regional Race Officers, as well as built up a great team of mark layers at Ballyholme.

WELCOME TO ROYAL ULSTER YACHT CLUB

The Royal Ulster Yacht Club extends a warm welcome to all visiting yachtsmen.

The Club is steeped in history with Sir Thomas Lipton, a past Rear commodore of the Club, making 5 challenges for the America's Cup. There is a room dedicated to his challenges.

The Clubhouse is one of the finest examples of Edwardian building in Ireland. There is a long tradition of cruising and yacht racing at Royal Ulster Yacht Club and we celebrated our 150th Anniversary on 25th June 2016.

Bar snacks and dining are available every day except Monday with a dress code of smart casual.

The Club House is situated a short distance from Bangor Marina and Ballyholme Yacht Club. Leaving the Marina turn left and follow the coast road and you will find the Club on the hill on the right. The walk takes about 5 minutes

Manager.
Nicole Mc Kee
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Catering: 02891465002

We hope you have an enjoyable stay in Bangor and we look forward to welcoming you at Royal Ulster Yacht Club.



WHAT'S ON IN BANGOR

BANGOR HARBOUR AND MARINA

A short stroll west from the yacht club takes you past Royal Ulster (up on the hill), the Jamaica Inn and onto Bangor. Note the road is one way (the opposite direction) for cars. At the edge of the marina behind the RNLI station is the Salty Dog Hotel, owned by one of our members Ken, which is dog friendly. There are many cafes and restaurants in Bangor, including the Boat House which made last years Sunday Times Top 100 UK list. Both High Street and Main Street (and surroundings) have numerous offerings - listings can be found on the discovernorthernireland.com website.

As you walk past the entrance to the marina, you will notice the Visitor Information Centre in Tower House which is a mine of information both locally and further afield across the local Borough and Northern Ireland.

Bangor is also home to many local shops - the town centre has many independent shops on High Street, including Bosun Bob's Chandlery at the bottom. Lower Main Street has more nation-wide stores, whilst Upper Main Street may appeal to the more fashion led with Excel, Surf Mountain and the Tempest/Menary's Department store.

PICKIE FUNPARK TO THE WEST...

Pickie Funpark is a major attraction at the western edge of the Marina. The park provides a fun day out for all and features an 18-hole mini-golf course, giant pedal swans, Pickie Puffer train, children's play area, children's electric car track and splash pads.

The park also features brightly coloured Victorian style beach huts offering comfortable changing facilities whilst capturing the spirit of times past.

The fresh, modern cafe has a fantastic family friendly menu and boasts superb views over Bangor Marina and Belfast Lough.

You can take a short boat trip adjacent to Pickie Funpark on the Bangor Boat, or alternatively continue walking past the Marina on the coastal path which will take you all the way to the boutique town of Holywood if you wish.

Cyclists are now allowed on most of this journey and whether on foot or on cycle, you will pass Brompton harbour, Carnalea Golf Club, Crawfordsburn Country Park and Helens Bay. The more adventurous (and quick) can continue to Grey's Fort and all the way along the coast to Royal North Ireland Yacht Club at Cultra before coming into Holywood where the Dirty Duck is a great place for refreshments beside Holywood Yacht Club. Instead of retracing your steps, the Belfast-Bangor train line is just across the road and will take you back to the centre of Bangor.



Pickie Funpark

BALLYHOLME BAY TO THE EAST

An alternative route is walking along the beach and around the coast to Groomsport harbour. On a lucky day, you may see seals basking on the rocks and herons looking for the large mackerel shoals that visit during the summer. From Groomsport it is possible to continue by foot to Orlock point and even beyond to Donaghadee, although possibly better done by car or a bus from Groomsport. The "Dee" is famous for its lighthouse, harbour and views of the Copeland Islands as well as the homemade ice-cream at the Cabin.



Ward Park



Bangor Castle Walled Garden

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Ward Park – Just a short stroll away, this picturesque park is located behind Bangor Library. It features a children's play area and a chain of small lakes providing wildfowl sanctuary with many interesting specimens and dry pens containing a large variety of exotic birds.

Free Live Music events take place annually at the Ward Park Bandstand every Sunday 3-5pm in July and August.

Bangor Castle Walled Garden -
This Award-winning Walled Garden is set in the tranquil grounds of Castle Park. Originally built in the 1840s and renovated in 2009, the garden is divided into four different sections, each with its own horticultural personality. It also boasts two unique pieces of sculpture inspired by the borough's maritime history.

Omniplex Cinema
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Bangor Aurora Aquatic and Leisure Complex - Olympic size swimming pool plus Leisure pool with slides and wave pool and also the Aqua Challenge over the summer (beside Omniplex)

Eddie Irvine Sports - gokarting, football pitches and paintballing on Rathgael Road (10 minute drive)

Bloomfield Shopping Centre - home to many of the expected national stores. There is a bus that travels there from the Bus Centre on Upper Main Street.

Golf Clubs - there are numerous offerings across North Down including Bangor, Blackwood, Carnalea, Clandeboye, Helens Bay. Holywood is of course the home of Rory McIlroy.

BELFAST

Belfast is only a short (25 minute) hop away whether by train (Upper Main Street) or car. Visit the Titanic Signature Building, Victoria Square and many of the other renowned sites. See the discovernorthernireland.com website for more information.

Bicycle Hire - unfortunately there are no places in Bangor that hire bicycles at present. In Belfast you can use the Belfast Bikes scheme to ride around the city centre.

For many other offerings and ideas, please visit the visitardsandnorthdown.com website.

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SAILOR PROFILE

LIAM GLYNN, BALLYHOLME YACHT CLUB, 2013 TOPPER WORLD CHAMPION



In 2013, Irish sailing had its first ever Topper World Champion, Liam Glynn who won at Loctudy in South West Brittany.

Liam started sailing Toppers at 8 years of age following his older brother Ryan. A memorable early race was the BYC cadet regatta when a 10 year old Liam kept pace with the older and bigger members of the BYC Topper fleet on a long bumpy 15 knot westerly, beating back to the clubhouse across the bay (already wearing his trademark beanie hat).

His first UK Nationals were in 2010 where he struggled with the large fleets at Phwelli. However by the following year he was part of the RYANI Topper squad that travelled to Rutland and won top squad at the RYA Regional Championships with Tim Brow from BYC, winning overall.

In 2012, Liam scored his first major win with a 1st place in the ISA Youth Nationals in Dun Laoghaire, followed by 7th in the RYA Eric Twinames. He had a mixed World Championships in the Netherlands finishing 27th. 2013 was a fantastic year for Liam, winning all of the Irish provincial events and the Irish Nationals.

At the World Championship in Loctudy, Liam had a fantastic first day with a 3rd and two 1sts. His lead narrowing a little on day two. The third day saw a bit of movement in the places below him but a first in the middle race built a 6 point lead. On the fourth day, Liam sailed an impressive series to cover the closest competition in the light to medium airs and carried a significant 13 point lead into the final (5th day). After a few hours waiting on Friday, the young sailor from Bangor was crowned World Champion after a lack of wind meant the final day of racing was cancelled.

Liam moved into the Laser Radial class at the end of 2013 and immediately qualified for both the RYANI and ISA Squads. In his first year, he came 3rd at the Irish Nationals at his home club and 5th in the GB Nationals (2nd Youth). He finished 1st under 17 at the German Europa Cup and 5th under 17 at the Youth European Championships that year.

He won the French Europa Cup in 2015. He also won the selection events to represent Ireland in the ISAF Youth Worlds at Malaysia in 2015 where he finished 15th.

The focus of 2016 however is the Laser Radial Youth World Championships in Dun Laoghaire which just happen to coincide with the week of the Topper Worlds. Liam Finished his 'A' Levels in June and has decided to take a gap year in order to focus on Laser Standard events with a view to campaigning for Tokyo 2020. Liam is working with his current sponsors Decathlon, Mash Direct and Dale Farm and he is seeking more sponsors to obtain funding for future events.

Anyone who has watched him out on the water almost every afternoon after school will wonder if he will actually be doing any more sailing than last year. They say it takes 10,000 hours to become an expert - many would say Liam has possibly already passed this mark in his Sailing Career.



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- Windguru
- PredictWind
- Weather Display live Newtownards Airport
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- MetcheckUK
- Belfast Lough Monitoring Station
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GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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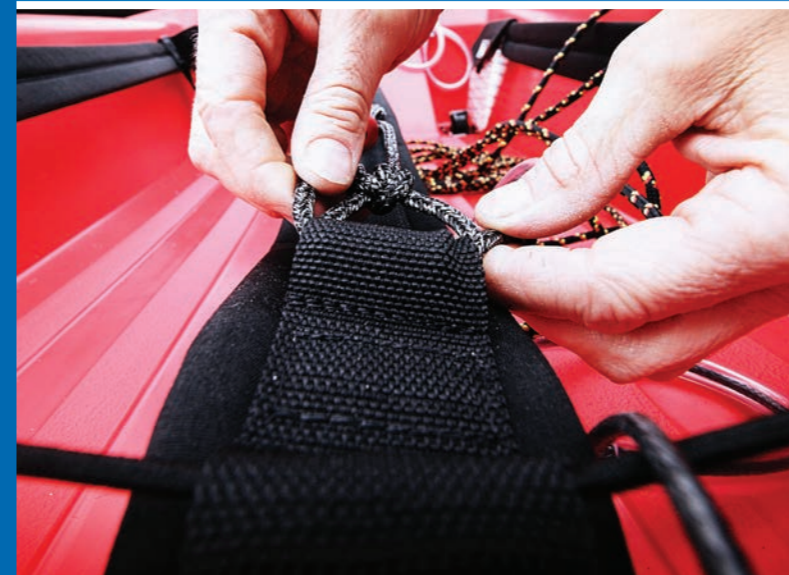
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