



ROYAL NORTH OF IRELAND YACHT CLUB

Ulster Mermaid Championships 2024
4th & 5th May 2024

Joining Instructions

Thank you for entering this event. It will be great to see everyone on the water and we are looking forward to welcoming you to Royal North.

The following notes are designed to help us run the event as smoothly as possible.

Location

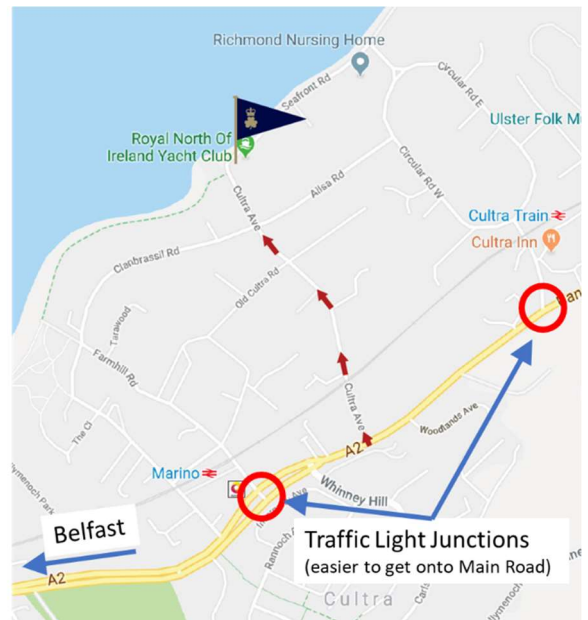
The Club house is located half way between Belfast and Bangor on the shores of Belfast Lough just outside Holywood.

From M1 Motorway

Heading North on the M1 to Belfast continue seamlessly along the Westlink dual carriageway (A12) for 2 miles past all the exit ramps until you get to a major junction with traffic lights.

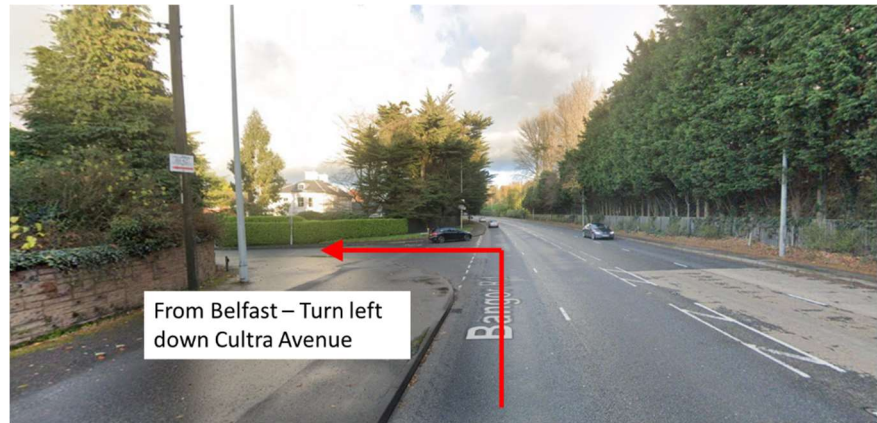
You need to be in the right hand lane approaching the junction to peel off on the right. Watch for the overhead signs for the M3 City Airport and Bangor and then take the M3 to the Lagan Bridge. You will come up the ramp and change lanes by filtering to the right.

The M3 bridge leads quickly on to the A2 dual carriageway road (follow the signs for Bangor). You will pass the Belfast City Airport on your left and then you come to Tillysburn Junction. Continue straight through the lights still heading for Bangor (a large Tesco will be on your right). After approximately 1.75 miles from the Tillysburn junction you will reach the first of three sets of traffic lights as you bypass Holywood town centre. After these lights watch out for the Maxol Filling Station on the left at a fourth set of traffic lights (about 1 mile from Holywood).



There is one small road on the left at the lights, pass this and take the next road on the left - Cultra Avenue, this is just after the dual carriageway ends.

Continue down this road until you reach the sea. RNIYC will be on your right.



If you miss the turn and find yourself driving along a 4 lane single carriageway road and get as far as another set of traffic lights approaching the Culloden Hotel you can turn left at these lights then left at the fork in the road and this will bring you down to the seafront. Follow the road as it swings left along the shore and RNIYC will be at the end on your left.

From M2 Motorway

When coming on the M2 stay in the right hand lanes on the long straight 4 and 5 lane section approaching Belfast to get on to the M3 motorway (watch the overhead signs). Once in the 50mph speed limit you rise on to a bridge over the River Lagan. Once on the M3 bridge... see previous info 'from M1 Motorway'.

From Further Afield

The port of Belfast is only 6 miles from the Club and it has car ferry links with Cairnryan and Liverpool. Other car ferry routes are available from Larne to Cairnryan, Dublin to Holyhead and Dublin to Liverpool. Larne is about 40 minutes (25 miles) away and Dublin is only about 2 hours (110 miles) from the club. The road from Dublin is motorway or dual carriageway all the way. For those flying from GB there are daily flights from most major airports to Belfast City Airport which is only a 10 minute drive from the club. There are also many daily flights from Belfast International Airport (30 minutes away) which adds to the options available.

Enquiries

The office will be open 10am – 4.30pm Monday – Friday if you need anything.

Email: manager@rniyc.org
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RNIYC, 7 Seafront Road, Cultra, Holywood, Northern Ireland, BT18 0BB

Welcome to RNIYC



Parking

You can park on any of the roads around the Club.

PLEASE

- **Only park on one side of the road**
- **Leave plenty of room at property entrances and corners.**

Camping

Camping (unserviced) can be arranged at the Club but please let the office now if you require space for camping. We can also accommodate a small number of campervans. Please email manager@rniyc.org with the space required and the number of campers.

Local Accomodation

Rayanne House <https://rayannehouse.com/>

Premier Inn, Bangor

<https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/northern-ireland/county-down/bangor/bangor-northern-ireland.html>

Premier Inn Titanic

<https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/home.html>

Lorne House (For camping)

<https://discoverlorne.org.uk/>

Culloden estate and Spa , 5 Star Hotel

<https://www.cullodenestateandspa.com/>

Shore-based Supporters

The Admirals Room, upstairs above the Dining Room, will be available for spectators to use on both days.

The restaurant can be booked through our caterer on 07881853756 for the Friday evening if required

We look forward to seeing you soon.

The RNIYC team