

Irish Sea Nations Cup

Four regattas in 2025 in Scotland, Northern Ireland, Ireland and Wales have combined to develop the Nation's Cup, fostering goodwill and encouraging regatta participation by visiting yachts.

The regattas are:

May 2-4 [IRC Welsh Championships](#)

May 23-26 [Scottish Series](#)

July 10-13 [Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta](#)

July 19-20 [Northern Ireland IRC Championship](#)

The winning nation after all four regattas will be awarded the Irish Sea Nation's Cup.

Each nation will be ranked in order depending on the performance of the best keelboat of that nation at the regatta. Bonus points will be awarded to the Nation with the best percentage of visiting boats.

The performances will be rated according to the best performance in each keelboat class, in accordance with the formula:

$$\frac{\text{Total points scored}}{\text{number of races} \times \text{number of boats in class}}$$

Using a low point scoring system, each country's score is combined with the visitor bonus and fed into the table.

Each venue will appoint an "ambassador" boat that will encourage their sailing colleagues to travel to events.







A visitor's bonus will be applied in accordance with the following table:

| | Number of Visiting Boats | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------|-----|---|---|
| | >10 | 5-10 | 2-4 | 1 | 0 |
| Scotland | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Wales | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| IOM | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Northern Ireland | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Ireland | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| England | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |







The league table will be updated after each event. As the events are completed the updated tables could look as overleaf. Please note scores chosen are arbitrary for illustrative purposes:

You can find out more and enter the events at the links above.







Standings after IRC Welsh Championships

| Nation/ Event | IRC Welsh Ch'ship | | Scottish Series | | Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta | | IRC Northern Ireland Ch'ship | | Total |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | |
|  Scotland | 4 | 1 | | | | | | | 5 |
|  Wales | 5 | | | | | | | | 5 |
|  IOM | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | 0 |
|  Northern Ireland | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | 4 |
|  Ireland | 6 | 1 | | | | | | | 7 |
|  England | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 3 |







Standings after Scottish Series

| Nation/ Event | IRC Welsh Ch'ship | | Scottish Series | | Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta | | IRC Northern Ireland Ch'ship | | Total |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | |
|  Scotland | 4 | 1 | 5 | | | | | | 10 |
|  Wales | 5 | | 4 | 1 | | | | | 10 |
|  IOM | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 3 |
|  Northern Ireland | 3 | 1 | 6 | 3 | | | | | 13 |
|  Ireland | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | | | | | 11 |
|  England | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 5 |

Standings after VDLR

| Nation/ Event | IRC Welsh Ch'ship | | Scottish Series | | Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta | | IRC Northern Ireland Ch'ship | | Total |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | |
|  Scotland | 4 | 1 | 5 | | 2 | 1 | | | 13 |
|  Wales | 5 | | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | | | 17 |
|  IOM | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 5 |
|  Northern Ireland | 3 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | | | 20 |
|  Ireland | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | | | | 16 |
|  England | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | | | 12 |

Overall Final Standings

| Nation/ Event | IRC Welsh Ch'ship | | Scottish Series | | Volvo Dun Laoghaire | | IRC Northern Ireland Ch'ship | | Total |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | Race pts | Travel Bonus | |
|  Scotland | 4 | 1 | 5 | | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 21 |
|  Wales | 5 | | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 21 |
|  IOM | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 8 |
|  Northern Ireland | 3 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | | 26 |
|  Ireland | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | | 4 | 1 | 21 |
|  England | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 14 |

It can be seen from the sample numbers used that there is an opportunity for nations to improve their score by increasing the number of boats that travel to away events.

All sailors can be sure of a warm welcome at each and all of these regattas, with an opportunity to represent your country with a prize for the best country performance.