



I wonder if Barry Donaher is coming back from OZ for 2021 IOM Nationals – San Diego?

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IOM USA Sailing Update - During Covid-19

By Bob Wells, IOM Class Secretary

We have three national regatta updates for you today:

1. Gator Roundup Regatta (Sarasota, FL – May 20-21, 2021):

Organizer Mike Feldman is getting a nice response already for his regatta with 23 entries from both coasts. The NoR is on our newsfeed and the link for entry list:

<https://www.jotform.com/grid/210896455062055>.

My money is on Royce Reed, the only Pac NW entry so far.

2. Foster City R6 (May 28-30, 2021):

Organizer Jess Atkinson reports as follows: Foster City Radio Sailing is still waiting on permit approval from Parks. Class Secretary Bob Wells posted earlier that the R6 event approval is on the edge, and the "Race On - Race OFF" notice may be as short as 30 days prior to the event.

California has still not opened up enough to allow the gathering size needed for R6. FC Parks is following the state guide lines, so our event permit is on hold. A new state eval is coming this Tuesday, and we hope to learn if our R6 permit will be issued.

Our plan is to announce the "Race On - Race OFF" notice at or close to 45 days prior to the event. That time frame is this coming week! Note, even if the county goes yellow, we are not certain that the permit will be released. Thank you for your patience.

3. IOM Nationals (San Diego Race Week – August 8-11, 2021):

Organizer Fred Rocha reports as follows: The San Diego Argonauts are still waiting on Race Week event permit approvals from Parks, and permit applications have been submitted. Fred checked his crystal ball, and he now expects approval for the August Race Week. But, without the permit, he is not posting the NoR.

Fred also expects Argonaut club racing to formally begin May 1st, as well as to receive approval for a DF95 regatta scheduled for June.

It is not easy being an IOM regatta organizer, and it is especially challenging on the left coast with C-19 closures. Thank you to all our organizers.