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Cork Harbour Festival is running from Friday June 3rd until 9th and includes the Ocean to City Race on Saturday 4th and the Cork City Marathon on Sunday 5th In total there are over 70 events dotted around the shoreline of the harbour.

You can find out more about the overall festival at www.corkharbourfestival.com

As part of the Cork Harbour Festival the Drascombe Association are taking the opportunity to explore the harbour in company. We will use Spike Island as a focal point by kind permission. Tides are neap tides so the currents will be less strong than normal.

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Lead in days until 9th

Jack will be sailing the harbour and neighboring coves, and will welcome any company.

Friday June 10th High Water 14:40

Participants will be welcome in Monkstown Bay SC, 1, DeVici Place. The bar will be open. There are a number of good restaurants adjacent to the club for those wishing to be fed well on arrival or after launching.

Saturday June 11th: High water 15:37 hrs,.

Muster at Spike Island at 10:30 and cruise to Aghada, and to East Ferry. We will consider the option to carry on to Ballinacurra depending on the weather and the fleet makeup.

Sunday June 12th – High Water 16:31 hrs

Depart Spike Island 10:30 or muster off Monkstown sand Quay at 11:00. Visit the heritage town of Passage West including the fascinating maritime museum. Cruise the upper harbour and Lough Mahon up to Blackrock harbour. Return to Paddys Point for wrap up.

NOTE

There are many destinations of interest and beauty in the harbour and nearby. We can choose.....

Launching (See Map)

Visitors can launch near Cobh at White point, which is close to mustering places

and has adequate parking nearby, in particular for Campervans. Low water (21:06 Friday, 09:39 Saturday) are almost a meter above datum. There is a new facility at Paddy's Point - just to the West of Haulbowline Bridge, which has a wide slip with a pontoon adjacent to it. Your organiser has a key to the overhead barrier at Paddy's point slip for those driving vehicles more than 2.2m high. There is a car park as part of the Paddys Point complex. Slips are also available at Monkstown, and in Crosshaven.

Mooring

There are good sheltered anchorages at Spike Island, your boat can be anchored off, or take the soft ground over to the east of the pier. The pontoon at Spike should be used by private boats only on the inner side, and not at all at peak traffic in the late afternoon. You can anchor near Paddy's point slip, and overnighing on the pontoon at Paddy's Point may go unnoticed. **Cork Harbour Marina** <http://www.corkharbourmarina.ie> is located at Monkstown beside the Sand Quay. Call James O'Brien at 087 3669009. **Salve Marina** in Crosshaven will take overnight guests - agree a price with Weitse Buwalda at 087 260 1755. <NEW 1> Cobh Sailing Club have berths on their marina at White Bay €25 pn. Book on line <http://covesailingclub.ie/book-a-short-term-stay>. There are empty moorings that may be used in White Bay that you can latch on to for the weekend - no charge, own risk.

Trailers

Trailers can be left at Paddy's Point or at the Camper park beside the slip at Whitepoint, which is best approached by road from the Titanic centre Cobh

Communications

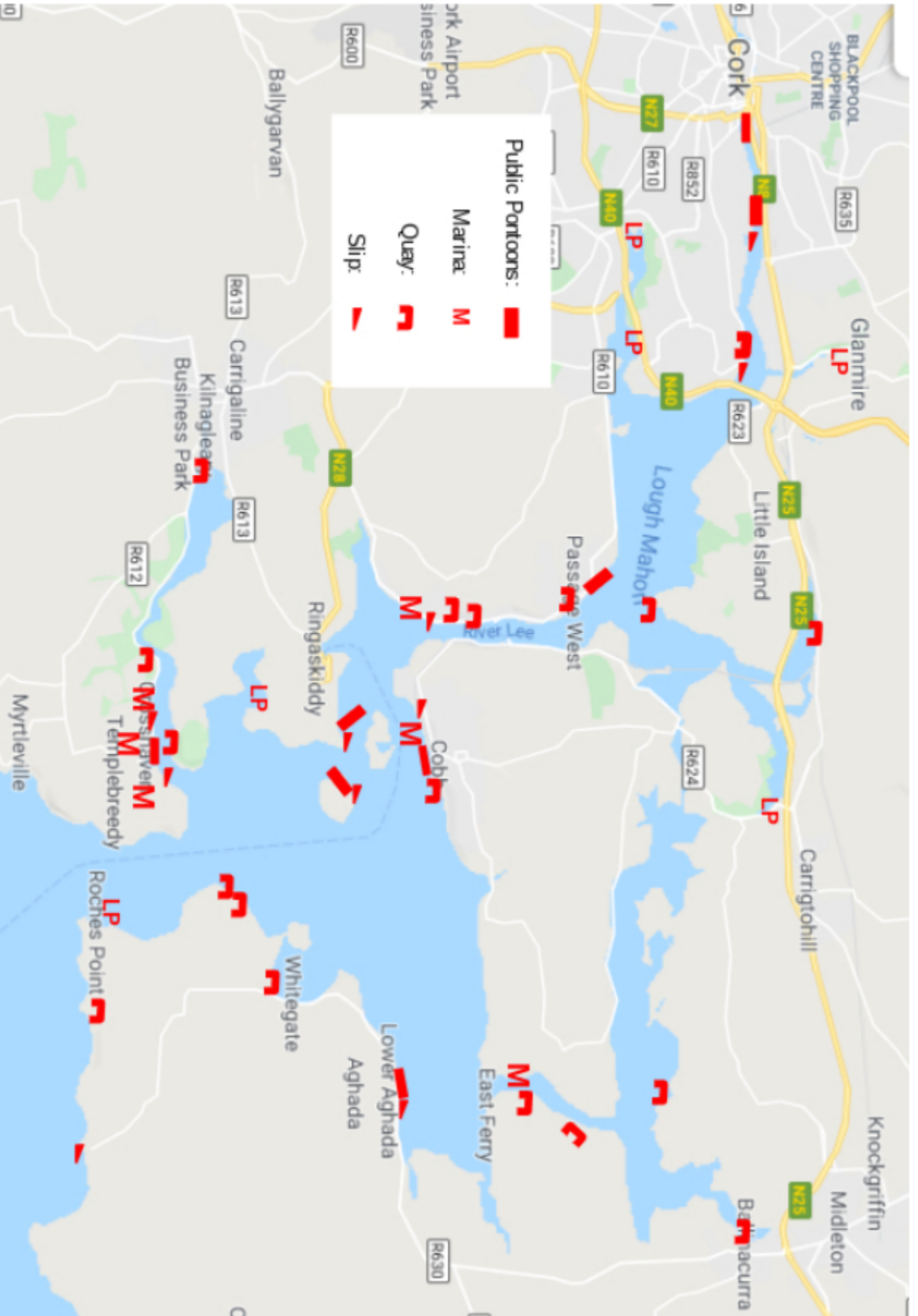
Communications by WhatsApp message or email to Jack O'Keeffe at 087 2663588 jack.okeeffe@gmail.com. The event VHF channel will be 77.

Camping

Casual Camping with care is an option at the football field on Spike Island. This is a short walk from the harbour. Casual Camping is also an option adjacent to Paddy's Point, or in Haulbowline park.

Campervans

The Ayre in Cobh, west of the Titanic centre is a purpose built facility for campervans. Campervans can be kept for the weekend at Paddys Point - Contact Jack - he has a key for the overhead barrier if you camper is more than 2.2m



Map showing the location of public pontoons (red rectangles) and other facilities (Marina 'M', Quay 'LP', Slip '▴') around Lough Mahon and the surrounding area, including Cork, Glanmire, Carrigtohill, and Bannacurra.