

**EL TICO CAT DASH & SURF RACES,
SAT. 17th & SUN. 18th JULY. ST. OUENS BAY.**

The RCIYC Hobie Fleet are returning to St. Ouens bay next Saturday and Sunday for the El Tico Cat Dash and Surf races. The weekend starts with the Cat Dash from St Aubins bay to St Ouens at 10am. Subject to conditions, there will be two surf races in the bay from early afternoon, where the Hobies will reach out through the surf, rounding a mark, then back to the beach, crews will run around a flag and boats will be launched back through the surf for another rounding. The return leg back to St. Aubins is scheduled for 11am. on the Sunday.

St Ouens bay is where the Hobie Fleet has its roots from 1985, with many remembering the popular Riva Cup surf racing taking place in the early to mid 90's. This weekends event will be styled on this, with prizes also for hull flying, which is timed between two points and best the wave ridden on the day.

The action will take place from the beach area between El Tico and La Braye slip. The organisers are hoping for good conditions for what is sure to be a spectacular and popular event, reintroduced thanks to the support of El Tico Beach Cantina.

There is a briefing for all crews, guard boat helpers and Beach team at the Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club between 6.00pm and 7.00pm this Thursday.

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