## **RYANI**



RYANI acts for the Royal Yachting Association in Northern Ireland. The RYA is the UK Governing Body for sail and powerboat racing and the UK national authority for all forms of recreational and competitive boating, including:

- Sailing
- Windsurfing
- Motor cruising
- Powerboating
- Sportsboating
- Inland boating
- Personal watercraft

The purpose of RYANI is to promote and protect safe and successful boating in Northern Ireland. As a body we represent over 35 clubs, centres and associations. The core aims of RYANI include:

- Increase RYA personal memebership and provide effective representation of boating in Northern Ireland
- To grow sail racing participation and ensure Northern Irish sailors can achieve on the international stage
- To create active and sustainable participation in boating throughout Northern Ireland
- To grow a vibrant community of clubs, coaches, instructors, officials and volunteers
- To be seen as an example of best practice in all areas of governance

There is a small team of 5 full time staff (including a double Commonwealth Games athlete and a Double Olympian) and a volunteer Board, all looking to promote and develop activity in the province through performance and participation programmes.

RYANI are absolutely passionate about what they do; in 2017 they helped get over 1300 people on the water for the first time while they are also looking to ensure there is an athlete able to qualify and potentially perform at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

As a body they are funded through membership and partnerships with organisations such as SportNI, the Mary Peters Trust and private sponsors. They are always looking to develop new partnerships to help sustain and grow the activities they do and allow more people to get on the water, learn, develop and excel.

Follow them through social media to see what they do!

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