



2020 INDIAN HARBOR YACHT CLUB

9th Annual Geartester Distance Race

Saturday, June 20, 2020

Test it, then Bust it

NOTICE OF RACE

(as amended through May 23, 2020)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The measurement rules and ratings will be PHRF distance Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker and Double-Handed rules and ratings as administered by the YRA of LIS.
- 1.3 Qualifier for the YRA of LIS Windigo, Sagola, du Moulin, King's Point, Mertz and Youth Challenge Cup trophies.
- 1.4 Participants shall be required to comply with basic US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) 2020 for Nearshore Category Races, available online: https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/US_SER_2019.0_Categories.pdf.
 - 1.4.1 Add to US Sailing SER 3.19.1: If no magnetic compass is permanently mounted, a handheld magnetic compass, suitable for steering at sea, may be used.
- 1.5 Each boat shall fly from her backstay, six or more feet above deck, a numeral pennant corresponding to her class.
- ~~1.6 Any double-handed class(es) may be included provided there are at least five entries. Any double-handed class(es) will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.~~
- ~~1.7 Any Plus One class(es) may be included provided there are at least five entries. Any Plus One class(es) will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.~~
- 1.6 One design class(es) may be included, provided there are five or more entries. If applicable, one design class(es) shall comply with class rules. Any one design class will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.

2. DOUBLE HANDED EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS & RESTRICTIONS

- 2.1 Crew limit is two persons, one of whom must be 18 years of age or older.
- 2.2 Wind vanes or electric self-steering devices may be used.
- 2.3 Jacklines must be rigged both port and starboard, and run from the cockpit to the bow.

3. PLUS ONE CREW RESTRICTIONS

- 3.1 Plus One entrants sail with a maximum number aboard equal to the first digit of a boat's rated length over all plus one subject to notice 3.2. For example, a 36' boat can have up to four crew.
- 3.2 No boat shall compete with more than five aboard

4. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES

- 4.1 The race is open to monohull boats owned by, or under charter to, members of the YRA of LIS.
- 4.2 Eligible fleets include Plus One/Spinnakered, Double-Handed/Spinnakered and Plus One/Non-Spinnakered.
- 4.3 Entry is via the appropriate yachtscore.com event site (search on "geartester").
- 4.4 Entry must be completed by end of day Thursday, June 18, 2020.
- 4.5 Entry fee is \$90.

4.6 Competitors are encouraged to use the *Kattack* app (available for free download) while racing to allow for post-race playback and live tracking for spectators. Playback will be available online after racing.

5. SCHEDULE

1055hrs First Signal

~~As soon as practicable after racing ——— Awards Presentation~~

~~All competitors are invited to Indian Harbor Yacht Club following the race for complimentary beer, snacks, and the awards presentation.~~

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & SCRATCH SHEETS

6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available beginning on or before June 18, 2020 online via yachtscoring.com and the club's website (indianharboryc.com).

6.2 The Final Scratch Sheet will be available by 1700 on June 19, 2020 online via yachtscoring.com and the club's website, and in hard copy at the IHYC Front Desk.

6.2.1. A Provisional Scratch Sheet will be available online but is subject to change up until the deadline stated in NOR 5.2.

7. COURSES

7.1 Courses will be between 8 and 20 nautical miles depending on conditions.

7.2 Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

7.3 The start line will be east of Little Captain Island **outside** Captain Harbor between Flat Neck Point Shoal RN "2" (near 40°59.746N/073°35.479W) and a yellow flag on the signal boat.

7.4 The finish line will be **inside** Captain Harbor between RN "2" (near 40°59.905N/073°37.277W) and a yellow flag on the finish boat located near RN "2". Note: This NOT the same RN "2" as used for the start.

8. MOORINGS

Complimentary guest moorings are available from 1200hrs Friday, June 19, 2020 to 1200hrs Sunday, June 21, 2020. Email dbruce@indianharboryc.com for reservations or call 203-869-2484. Longer-term moorings related to the event are available at a discounted event fee of \$25/night.

9. PRIZES

9.1 First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for each class.

~~9.2 — Prizes will be awarded following racing.~~

9.3 For fleets with five or more entries having finished both the Geartester and Gearbuster, prizes will be awarded at the Indian Harbor prize awards dinner to the boat in each fleet deemed by the Organizing Authority to have had the best combined fleet performance.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

11. CONTACT INFORMATION

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