



# 2021

**Notice of Race:**

**The Avalon Cup**

**July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

The Avalon Yacht Club is proud to invite all offshore sailors to compete in a race for the Avalon Cup. The Avalon Cup serves as the first event in the 2021 MAYRA Offshore Racing Circuit.

1. **Rules.** The race will be governed by the rules as defined by *US Sailing: The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*, the Sailing Instructions and the **ORR-EZ** rules of the *Offshore Racing Association*.

**New for 2021: Ocean Racing Rule Ez:**

The 2021 Avalon Cup Race will score handicap division fleets and also determine the overall Avalon Cup Trophy winner using the **ORR Ez** rule. **Therefore, every competitor for the Avalon Cup Trophy must have an ORR Ez certificate and certificate number to be scored.** The one-design division fleets (Flying Scot, J/24, J/70) will have their individual fleet races scored based on actual finishing position.

1. **Rules** (continued)

Detailed information about the **ORR Ez** rule can be found here:

<https://offshoreracingrule.org/images/stories/pdf/ORR-Ez021719v2.pdf>

Applications for a certificate can be found here:

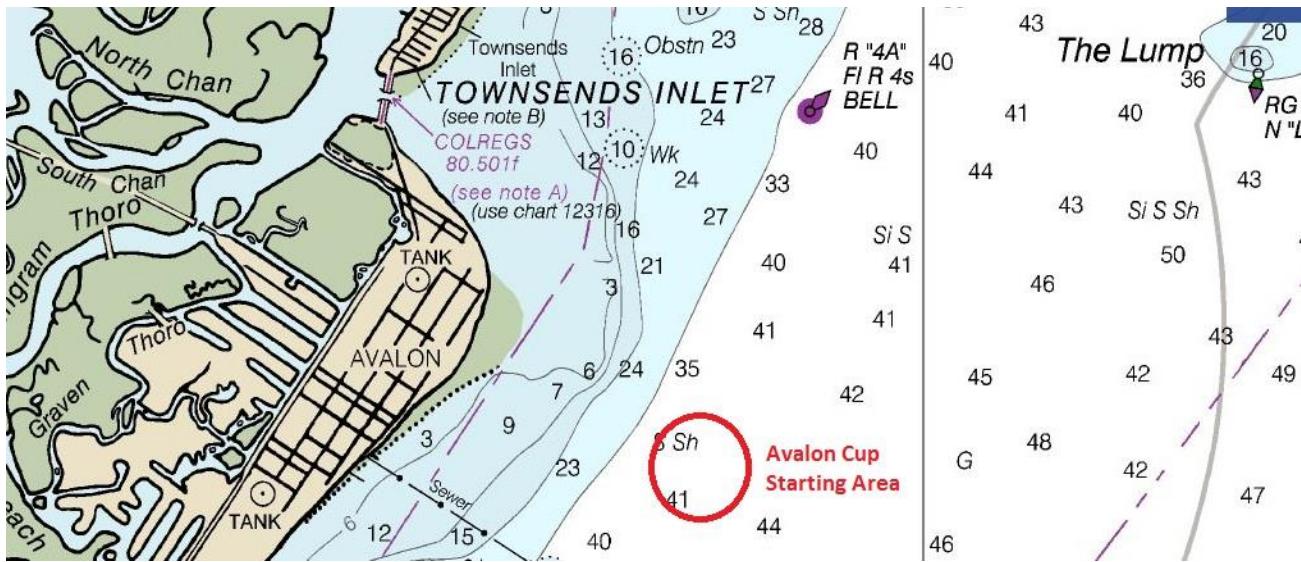
[https://www.regattaman.com/certificate\\_page.php](https://www.regattaman.com/certificate_page.php) (sign up under the "Mid Atlantic Group")

2. **Notice to Competitors.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the AYC Sailing Center.
3. **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions will be available online and at the skippers meeting on the evening before the race. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted as soon as practical after the skippers meeting but no later than 2200 on July 30<sup>th</sup>.
4. **Signals Made Ashore.** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main club flag staff. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' in the RRS is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.
5. **Schedule of Races.** Date: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021
- Classes : **ORR-Ez** Spinnaker  
**ORR-Ez** Non-Spinnaker  
**ORR-Ez** One-Designs  
Flying Scot\*
- } *Avalon Cup Fleets*

The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1200. There shall be no warning signal after 1430. Some divisions may be combined based on fleet size.

\* Participation of the Flying Scot fleet is entirely dependent on having weather conditions that allow the Flying Scots to safely compete offshore. If weather conditions do not allow the Flying Scots to compete on Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>, the make-up event will be the local Inter-Club buoy races which are already scheduled for Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup> on the Great Sound.

6. **Racing Area.** The racing area for the Flying Scot division will be the ocean waters between Townsends Inlet and the "Lump" buoy off of Sea Isle City. The racing area for the remaining divisions will be the ocean waters between Townsends Inlet and Cape May Inlet. A single starting line will be located in the area of N 39°05.80', W 74°41.08' which is 0.5 miles south-east of the outermost Townsend Inlet channel marker. Approximate location is shown below:



7. **Prizes.** Regatta prizes will be awarded as follows:

<b>The Avalon Cup</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> place overall based on total fleet <b>ORR-Ez</b> standings
<b>ORR-Ez Spinnaker</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>ORR-Ez non-Spinnaker</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>
J-70	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Flying Scot	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>
<i>Other one design fleets</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> , <i>additional prizes based on number of entrants.</i>

Prizes for the Flying Scot fleet will be presented at the Avalon Yacht Club as soon as possible after all boats have returned to the harbor area. Prizes for all other fleets will be presented at the Corinthian Yacht Club of Cape May as soon as possible after the race committee has docked at CYCCM.

8. **Fees.** Avalon Cup Registration \$75

9. **Contact Information.**

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 (267) 872 2177 mobile

10. **MAYRA ORC:** The Avalon Cup in 2021 will serve as the first event in the three-part MAYRA Offshore Racing Circuit. Other events in the MAYRA ORC Cape-to-Cape Challenge (buoy races), and Cape-to-Cape Challenge (distance race).

# Appendix 1: Pre-Race Activities

## **Schedule of Activities:**

### **Friday July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

Cocktails, dinner, and skippers meeting will be held at the Avalon Yacht Club for all competitors on Friday evening starting at 1730. Advanced purchases of dinner tickets are not required. Payment for dinner can be made by cash or credit card on the evening of the 30<sup>th</sup>. For planning purposes, we request reservations with the size of your party. **Please contact the club directly at (609) 967-4444 to make your reservation.** Make sure to let the club know that your reservation is for the Avalon Cup Dinner.

### **Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

The Race Committee and Flying Scot fleet will have a harbor start at 1030 from the Avalon Yacht Club and will proceed through the Ocean Drive Bridge and Townsends Inlet to the starting area (N 39°05.80, W 74°41.08). The entire fleet is to rendezvous with the Race Committee at the starting area by 1130.

## **Overnight Dockage:**

It is understood that some competitors may sail directly to the starting area from their home ports on the morning of the race. However, if it is more convenient for individual boats to arrive in Avalon in the days prior to the race, overnight dockage can be arranged as follows:

All Flying Scots and trailerable keel boats (J/70, J/24) can be stored on their trailers in the AYC boatyard during the week prior to the Avalon Cup and can be launched using the AYC hoist (2 ton capacity).

Larger boats will be permitted to dock at AYC on the new north side floating docks along the bay-facing side (the inside area is reserved for launching and retrieving trailerable boats). Alternatively, the Avalon Marine Center is a good overnight location for larger boats. The depth at the outer "T" docks at the Avalon Pointe Marina is 8 to 10 feet at low tide. Arrangements can be made by contacting Avalon Marine Center directly at (609)967-4100.

**About Avalon and Townsends Inlet:**

Townsends Inlet is a dredged, well marked inlet with good protection from a southerly or southwesterly swell. One draw bridge (Ocean Drive) crosses the inner inlet and opens on demand by communication on VHF channel 13 or by audible signal. The inlet is exposed to an easterly or northeasterly swell although these conditions are unusual for July. A satellite photo is provided for reference.



