



ESSEX YACHT CLUB

The Sam Wetherill Trophy Overnight Race

Presented by

Essex Yacht Club

Friday August 21, 2015

Notice of Race

Organizing Club	The Essex Yacht Club
Date	Friday August 21, 2015
Rules	The race will be governed by <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013–2016</i> , the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and the Sailing Instructions. The Essex Yacht Club strongly recommends entrants comply with the <i>US Safety Equipment Requirements for Coastal Races</i> available from USSA or the event website at yachtscoring.com .
Eligibility	The regatta is open to yachts with a valid 2015 ECSA PHRF Certificate. Yachts must be completely decked with a watertight cockpit, fitted with permanent berths capable of sleeping at least half her racing crew, and with an adequate galley.
Entries	Entries must be made and entry fees paid on the event website at yachtscoring.com . Entries must be received by 1200 hours on Thursday August 20, 2015. The Race Committee may accept or reject entries made after this deadline at its sole discretion. The entry fee is \$40 per yacht (\$35 for members of USSA). Entries must have a valid 2015 ECSA PHRF rating certificate on the ECSA website (ecsa.net).
Classes	There will be spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes. Classes will be determined at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be combined.
Sailing Instructions	Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers Meeting at Essex Yacht Club at 1800 hours on Thursday August 20, 2015 and on the event website at yachtscoring.com .
Schedule	The First Warning will be at 1900 hours.
Start & Finish	The Start and the Finish will be located approximately ¼ mile west of the Old Saybrook Outer Light.
Courses	The course selected will be signaled prior to the Start. Primary Course A: From the Start around Block Island leaving Block Island and Bell "1BI" to port and thence to the Finish. Alternate Course B: From the Start around government mark GR "BIS" (approx. 7 miles NE of Montauk Light) to port and thence to the Finish. Yachts shall not pass Bell R "8" off the Connecticut River to the north on any leg of the course.
Time Limit	There is no time limit for finishing.
Scoring	Boats will be scored using PHRF Time on Time handicaps. This race is an ECSA Offshore Circuit Bonus Points race.
Results/Awards	Results and awards will be presented at the Essex Yacht Club at 1800 hours on Sunday August 23, 2015.
Moorings/Dockage	Moorings and dockage are available on a first come- first served basis at the Essex Yacht Club. Call the EYC Waterfront Manager at (860) 767-8121 for details