



The Early Bird Regatta

Niantic Bay Yacht Club

Sunday June 5th, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

Includes amendment 1 and 2

THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA) IS THE NIAN TIC BAY YACHT CLUB located at 8 Shore Road, Niantic, CT, 06357. Phone number: 860-739-0558. VHF Channel 72. Club and Event information is available at www.nbyc.org

This event is an ECSA Offshore Circuit Series Points Regatta

This event is a Pre-Off Soundings Cup Series Points Regatta. Qualification requires finishing both the Early Bird and the Thames' YC Commodore's Trophy Race.

Yacht Scoring (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15135>) will be the on-line document repository and registration system. (The **Regatta Website**)

1. RULES

1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (**RRS**.)

1.2 No race will be excluded. This modifies RRS A.2.1.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 This regatta is open to PHRF (Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker divisions) and One Design Class Boats. A minimum of three (3) entries are required per class and PHRF division for a start to be given.

2.2 ENTRY DEADLINE IS THURSDAY JUNE 3RD, 2022 AT 20:00.

2.3 Entry will be on-line at the **Regatta Website**.

2.4 The official scratch sheet will be posted the **Regatta Website** by 1800, Saturday, June 4th, 2022.

2.5 ECSA Membership is not required to participate in this regatta.

2.6 ECSA Members must have a valid ECSA PHRF certificate on file at ECSA.net

2.7 Non ECSA Members sailing PHRF will use a PHRF base rating assigned by the OA.

3. FEES

3.1 Entry fee for the event is \$40 (\$50 if non-US Sailing) payable on the **Regatta Website**. All net proceeds (plus any additional contributions!) will go to support the Niantic Bay Sailing Academy



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4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 First Warning is scheduled for 1200 Sunday June 5th, 2022
- 4.2 Multiple races are possible for any class at the discretion of the Race Committee
- 4.3 One race shall be completed to constitute a series

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the **Regatta Website** and at www.nbyc.org by June 1st, 2022

6. VENUE

- 6.1 Racing will take place in Niantic Bay, Fisher's Island Sound and Long Island Sound

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 Courses will be selected by the Race Committee based on weather conditions
- 7.2 The marks will be identified in the Sailing Instructions and may be a combination of government marks and drop marks

8. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1 The Race Committee will make every effort to use VHF radios to keep sailors informed of Start Times, On Course Side (OCS), Postponements and other information regarding the racing. Race announcement channel will be listed in the SI.
- 8.2 Failure by the Race Committee to hail, failure of the radios or amplification system, or failure of a boat to hear a hail shall not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes 62.1

9. SCORING

- 9.1 Time on Time calculation using the ECSA / PHRF Time Correction Factor will be used to score PHRF Classes.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1 Trophies will be awarded for the first three places in each class. Results will be announced at the post-race party at Niantic Bay Yacht Club at the end of the day. Trophies will be sent to the winners after the party..

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