



67th ANNUAL STRATFORD SHOAL RACE

THE GEARBUSTER

Saturday, October 8, 2022

Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Organizing Authority

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [NP] at the beginning of a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] at the beginning of a rule means that a discretionary penalty applies, which may be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The measurement rules are YRA of LIS PHRF Spinnaker, Double-Handed, Plus One and Non-Spinnaker rules, IMS Rules and ORC Rating Systems and any applicable one-design class rules.
- 1.3. Participants shall comply with [US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements](#) (SER) 2022 for Nearshore Category Races except that US Sailing SER 3.19.1 is changed as follows:
 - If no magnetic compass is permanently mounted, a handheld magnetic compass, suitable for steering may be used.
 - One-design class(es) shall comply with class safety rules.
- 1.4. [NP][DP] Each boat shall fly from its backstay six or more feet above the deck a numeral pennant corresponding to its class.
- 1.5. This race is a qualifier for the YRALIS Windigo, Sagola, du Moulin, King's Point, Mertz and Youth Challenge Cup trophies.

2. DOUBLE-HANDED RULES

- 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. Jack lines must be rigged both port and starboard, and run from the cockpit to the bow.

3. YOUTH CHALLENGE RULES

- 3.1. Youth Challenge entries shall meet the requirement that 1/3 of the crew's ages are between 14 and 23 (rounded to the nearest whole number) and shall send a confirmation email to scores@yralis.org indicating the total number of crew and the number of qualified youth on board.
- 3.2. Youth Challenge entries shall fly code flag "Juliet" along with its class flag on its backstay and add the initials "YC" after the yacht's name on the entry form.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online at yachtscoring.com prior to Friday, October 7, 2022.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1. The online Official Notice Board is located at yachtscoring.com event site.
- 5.2. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF 65A.
- 5.3. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or when communicating with the race committee, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 5.4. [DP] Each boat shall carry a cellphone, the number of which shall correspond with the boat's entry and shall be kept on during the race and for two hours after finishing.

6. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 6.1. This event is open to boats with current YRALIS PHRF or ORC certificates.
 - To be eligible, any PHRF Plus One class(es) or one-design class(es) must have five or more entries.
 - Plus One entrants shall sail with a maximum crew equal to the first digit of a boat's rated length over all plus one (e.g.: a 36' boat can have up to four crew).
- 6.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying the entry fee via the yachtscoring event site.
- 6.3. Prior to Monday, October 3, the entry fee is \$125, after which the fee is \$150.
- 6.4. Entry and payment must be completed by Thursday, October 6, 2022.

7. SCHEDULE

The first warning is scheduled for 1055, Saturday, October 8, 2022.

8. VENUE

The venue is western Long Island Sound with the start of Flat Neck Point, Greenwich CT.

9. COURSES

Full course descriptions will appear in the Sailing Instructions but in summary:

- The standard course for all but the PHRF Non-Spinnaker classes is to Stratford Shoal Light and back (46nm)
- The standard course for the PHRF Non-Spinnaker class(es) is to Eatons Neck and back (19.0nm)

10. SCORING

- 10.1. PHRF results will be scored using YRALIS PHRF distance ratings using time-on-time.
- 10.2. ORC results will be scored using a boat's Triple Number All Purpose rating using time-on-time.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in each class.
- 11.2. Perpetual trophies will be awarded to:
 - The Windward Cup, a perpetual prize will be awarded based on corrected time to the winner of the class with the largest number of starters sailing the long course.
 - The William H. Todd Trophy will be awarded based on corrected time to the winner of the class with the second largest number of starters sailing the long course
 - The Philip F. Miller III Trophy will be awarded to the overall non-spinnaker winner based on corrected time on the short course.

12. MOORINGS

Moorings are available at no charge from October 6 through October 10, 2022. Reservations are required and should be made through [Dockwa](#). The standard mooring fee will be credited back through the app after a mooring request is made. IHYC operates on VHF 68. Longer-duration moorings related to the event are available, at a discounted event price of \$25/night.

13. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

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