



THE HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB
**31st Annual Mayor's Cup
Race**

Sunday, June 12, 2016

Presented by

**THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND
BREAKWATER IRREGULARS**

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the current PHRF Regulations as administered by the YRA of Long Island Sound, except as these may be modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2. RACE MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority for this event is the Halloween Yacht Club.
2.2 The Race Committee shall use VHF Channel 71.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The series is open to all mono-hull sailboats 20' LOA (18' for Catboats) or over.
3.2 Boats racing with spinnaker shall have a current YRALIS PHRF certificate.

4. RATINGS and DIVISIONS

- 4.1 Current YRA of LIS PHRF ratings will be used.
4.2 Weight limits will not be in effect, except that any boat sailing with a 'light crew' rating shall sail as rated.
4.3 Boats without a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Organizing Authority.
4.4 Catboats shall sail without handicaps.
4.5 There will be both spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions. Divisions may be divided into Classes.

5. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 All boats shall comply with Minimum Equipment & Safety Recommendations of the YRA of Long Island Sound: Category C.
5.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of sending and receiving on Channels 16 and 71

6. ENTRY PROCESS

- 6.1 Boats are entered by completing the entry form on the event page on Yacht Scoring at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2768> by 1800, Wednesday, June 8th. At the discretion of the Organizing Authority, Late Entries may be accepted.

7. FEES

- 7.1 The fees are: \$50.00 per boat, except Catboats which are \$40.00. Late Entry Fee = fee plus 50%.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event website <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2768>.

9. OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION

- 9.1 While racing, except in the course of a roll call or emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive wireless communications not simultaneously available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 9.2 During the race, contestants may not receive weather, current or navigational information except by broadcast from a publicized source available to all competitors at no fee.

10. SCHEDULE

- 10.1 The First Signal is scheduled for 1120 at the Start Mark which shall be approximately halfway between Red Bell “32” (The Cows) and Mid-Sound Buoy “32A”

11. RECEPTION & PRIZES

- 11.1 Following the race, there will be a reception at the Halloween Yacht Club, 10 Seaview Avenue, Stamford. Sailing attire is appropriate.
- 11.2 Prizes will be announced at a ceremony to be held after the hearing of protests. Trophies will be awarded in each division.
- 11.3 Overall trophies are the Mayor’s Cup (overall spinnaker division), the Halloween Yacht Club Trophy (overall non-spinnaker division), the City of Stamford Cup (3 boat club team) and the Stamford Sailing Foundation Trophy (best performance by a first time Mayor’s Cup skipper). Details of the trophy rules will be posted on the notice board.

12. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Halloween Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. (See rule 4, DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.