

PANERAI

CLASSIC YACHTS CHALLENGE

THE 37th Annual NEWPORT CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA

Hosted by IYRS

Sponsored by Panerai

NOTICE OF RACE

The 37th Annual Newport Classic Yacht Regatta is part of the North American Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge which also includes the Nantucket Opera Cup Regatta (Nantucket, MA) and the Corinthian Classic Yacht Regatta (Marblehead, MA).

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

September 3 – September 4, 2016

IYRS School of Technology & Trades, 449 Thames Street • Newport, RI

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) for the 37th Annual Newport Classic Yacht Regatta is Sail Newport.

2. RULES

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the 2016 North American Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge (NAPCYC) Regulations (See Appendix A).

2.2. For the purposes of rules 14 and 44.1, any contact between boats shall be considered serious damage. This changes rule 44.1.

2.3. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. This changes rule 63.7.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1. Advertising will be permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 and One-Design class rules as appropriate.

3.2. Participants may be required to fly sponsor flags as provided by the OA.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1. The regatta is open to boats with a valid Classic Rating Formula (CRF) rating certificate, a copy of which must be submitted to IYRS School of Technology & Trades (IYRS) to validate entry. Spinnakers will be allowed for all divisions and boats racing under CRF will be divided into Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes provided the minimums are met in accordance with NOR 4.5. Competitors are reminded that scoring for the overall Panerai series will only include Non-Spinnaker classes in the outlined in Appendix A.

4.2. Boats wishing to compete in OA approved One-Design or Formula (Metre) classes are not required to produce a CRF certificate.

4.3. Non Spinnaker (CRF) Division designations will be assigned according to Appendix A (NAPCYC Regulations).

4.4. One-Design and Formula Class eligibility shall be in accordance with their individual class rules.

4.5. Five boats are necessary to constitute a class. The OA reserves the right to make exceptions and/or consolidate classes into a mixed fleet start to expedite racing.

4.6. Boats with a valid CRF certificate not meeting the requirements of NOR 4.1, 4.2 or 4.3 will race in the Classic GRP (Glass Reinforced Plastic) division.

5. ENTRY

5.1. Eligible boats must register by completing online registration at www.iyrs.edu/cyr

5.2. S Class boats looking to register must contact Jenny Holmqvist via her email at events@iyrs.edu to obtain S Class specific entry documents.

5.3. The entry fee prior to August 15, 2016 is \$275 per boat. The entry fee as of or after August 15 is \$325. The entry fee is refundable (minus a \$15 handling fee) if notice of cancellation is received by IYRS prior to August 26.

5.4. The entry fee includes two tickets to the Sunday night awards dinner (cash bar). Additional dinner tickets may be purchased online at www.iyrs.edu/cyr. Advance reservations are required.

5.5. A liability waiver, available online at www.iyrs.edu/cyr or at registration, shall be submitted for each yacht no later than 0930 on Saturday, September 3 and shall be signed by each crew member. Yachts are encouraged to submit waivers either by email or fax prior to 1700 on Friday, September 2. **Yachts without properly signed waivers may not be scored.**

In the event of a crew substitution, the new crew member shall submit a signed waiver to Race Headquarters at the IYRS campus prior to racing.

6. RACE HEADQUARTERS

6.1. The Race Headquarters will be in Restoration Hall at IYRS School of Technology & Trades at 449 Thames Street, Newport RI.

7. SCHEDULE

Friday, September 2

1700 – 1900 Registration and Check-in

1800 – 2000 Welcome party

Saturday, September 3

0830 – 0930 Check-in

0930 Mandatory Skippers' Meeting

1155 Initial Warning Signal

Sunday, September 4

1030 Classic Yacht Parade begins at harbor entrance

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1800 Cocktail Party

1930 Awards Dinner

7.1 Two races are scheduled for the yachts competing in the CRF portion of the Newport Classic Yacht Regatta. Please see the addendum for the Division designation. Sub Division (class splits) will be assigned and published at Registration

7.2 Up to three races may be completed on each day of racing for One-Design and Formula classes.

8. MEASUREMENT

8.1. Yachts must submit a valid CRF rating certificate for their given division outlined in Appendix A.

8.2. 12-Metres not racing in a CRF division must submit a valid class measurement certificate.

8.3. Certificates can be submitted via email at events@iyrs.edu or fax (401-842-0669).

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1. Sl's and class assignments will be available at the Mandatory Skippers' Meeting held in Restoration Hall at the IYRS campus at 0930 on Saturday, September 3.

10. RACING AREA AND COURSES

10.1. The regatta will be sailed in Lower Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound. The Race Committee will designate courses using government marks and inflatable marks as specified in the Sl's.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. The Scoring Penalty of rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty shall be 20% of the number of boats entered in the applicable class. The minimum penalty shall be 2 places.

11.2. The penalty, if any, for a violation of a rule other than a rule of Part 2, shall be at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee, and may be other than disqualification. This changes rule 64.1.

12. SCORING

12.1. One completed race constitutes a series.

12.2. A boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. This alters rule A2.

12.3. Handicap classes will be scored based on CRF ratings and course distances calculated using 81.0 as a scratch boat calculation for all CRF classes.

12.4. One-Design and Formula classes will be scored level

12.5. Boats eligible for the NAPCYC Series will be scored in accordance with NAPCYC Regulations.

12.6. The determination of Panerai's Best Performing Boat of the Regatta award will be made by scoring each of the Series races by using the percentage of perfection method. Each yacht's finish points within their Panerai scoring division, in each race as scored using the Low Point System in rule A4, shall be divided by the number of finishers in that division for that race. Each yacht's normalized points will be added and the yacht having the lowest total will be the winner, the next lowest second and so on. This changes rule A9.

12.7. Panerai scoring divisions may or may not coincide with class splits utilized for starts or other regatta awards.

12.8. If ties continue to exist after the application of rule A8, they will be broken by determining the lowest cumulative corrected times.

13. PRIZES

13.1. Racing awards will be presented at the Sunday night awards dinner.

13.2. Prizes will be awarded to the regatta and overall series winners of the North American Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge in the scoring divisions as outlined in Appendix A.

13.3. Other awards may be presented at the discretion of IYRS and their sponsors based on criteria other than scores.

14. SAIL AND EQUIPMENT LIMITATIONS

14.1. Yachts competing in the Newport Classic Yacht Regatta will have sail and equipment limitations are outlined in NAPCYC Regulations 4 and 5. See Appendix A for details.

14.2. Spinnakers will be allowed for all divisions and boats racing under CRF and will be divided into Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes provided the minimums are met in accordance with NOR 4.5. Competitors are reminded that scoring for the overall Panerai series will only include Non-Spinnaker classes as outlined in Appendix A.

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16. DOCKAGE AND MOORING

16.1. Dockage/rafting is available at the owner's risk and space is available on a first-come, first-served basis at Casey's Marina on Spring Wharf (contact IYRS for rates and availability), and at Sail Newport's Alofsin and New Pier (contact Sail Newport for rates and availability). Boats are advised to bring sufficient dock lines and extra fenders.

16.2. Participants may make arrangements for commercial dockage by contacting the following directly:

Bannister's Wharf Marina (401-846-4556), Newport Shipyard (401-846-6000), Goat Island Marina (401-849-5655), Newport Yachting Center (401-847-9047, x 225), Casey's Marina (401-848-5945). For moorings, contact Oldport Marine (401-847-9109).

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

17.1. All boats are highly encouraged to carry with them a radio capable of making and receiving VHF transmissions.

17.2. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats.

18. INSURANCE

18.1. Each boat shall hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance. It is the helmsman's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is valid and adequate prior to participating in this event.

19. MEDIA RELEASE

19.1. Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, IYRS, Sail Newport, Panerai, regatta photographers and affiliated companies the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material and representations of the boats in any media world-wide (including but not limited to television, video, print and electronic media), for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the 37th Annual Newport Classic Yacht Regatta and all participants therein.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

20.1. Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers including the OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, the State of Rhode Island, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice or participation in this event in both shore-side and on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

For further information and to register please visit: www.iyrs.edu/cyr

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