



2017 Turkey Shoot
Competition with Compassion



Notice of Race

HOSPICE TURKEY SHOOT REGATTA

September 29 -October 1, 2017

Rappahannock River Yacht Club Organizing Authority,
In partnership with Yankee Point Racing and Cruising Club

- 1. Rules:** The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2. Eligibility:** To increase financial support to Hospice we have decreased the eligible design year from 25 to 20 years old. Open to all mono-hull sailboats whose **design** is **20** years old or older and at least 18 feet long. USCG approved life vest required to be worn from start to finish to race single-handed.
- 3. Format/Ratings:**
 - 3.1** The regatta will consist of a buoy race on Saturday and a Pursuit race on Sunday.
 - 3.2** Boats without a current valid PHRF of the Chesapeake certificate will be assigned a rating by the Rating Committee. Boats without current certificates are asked to complete a HTSR Rating Application form. Once this form has been submitted, it will not need to be submitted in future years. This rating is not subject to appeal, outside of the Turkey Shoot Rating committee. The committee will make every effort to assure fair ratings. The committee will attempt to honor Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta ratings from previous regattas.
 - 3.3** Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker – Boats may sail with or without spinnakers. Boats electing to fly spinnaker must so indicate on their Entry Form or at Registration on Friday, September 29, no later than 2000 hours. Boats making NO spinnaker declaration

may not fly a spinnaker. Boats declaring spinnaker will be given a rating penalty of 21 seconds/mile for both days.

3.4 Boats will be assigned to a division based on their rating before the spinnaker penalty is applied.

3.5 Winners of previous years Hospice Turkey Shoots are assigned a 20 second penalty the next year they race and a 10 second penalty the second year they race. It is good to have different winners.

4. Divisions: Ten Divisions are planned to include One Design Division(s), if there is a minimum of 5 OD Boats per Division. Boats will be placed in Divisions based on ratings and type of boat.

5. Entry and Fee: Eligible boats may enter by registering online at Yacht Scoring: www.yachtscoring.com or on the approved entry form and received no later than 1600 September 1, 2017. Late entries will be accepted until day of regatta with late fee.

All entries not submitted online shall be mailed to:

Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta
P. O. Box 555
Irvington, VA 22480

Fee for entries received before September 1, 2017 is \$85

To get boat name on T-Shirt payment must be received by September 1, 2017

Fee for entries received after September 1, 2017 is \$95

6. Schedules: All on-shore events will be at the Event Tent at the end of Carter's Creek Road, at Rappahannock Yachts.

Friday, September 29

Free Water Taxi available: 1500 to 2130 (call on channel 13)

- **1600 to 1900:** Check In, pick up Skipper's Packet and late Registration in event tent
- **1700 to 1900:** Welcome Cocktail Party (\$15/person includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and entertainment)
- **1900 to 2000:** Racing Rules Simplified for infrequent racers in RRYC Clubhouse.

Saturday, September 30

Free Water Taxi available: 0630 to 1000 and 1600 to 2100 (call on channel 13)

- **0700 to 0830:** Competitor's Breakfast (complimentary for Captain and Crew)
- **0800 to 1000:** Check In, Skipper's Packet and late Registration in event tent.
- **0900:** Mandatory Skippers Meeting in event tent
- **1100:** Warning Signal (Drop Mark Race)
- **1600:** Time limit
- **1800:** – Regatta Dinner in event tent @ \$20 per person.

Sunday, October 1

Free Water Taxi available: 0630 to 1000 and 1600 to 1800 (call on channel 13)

- **0700 to 0815:** Competitors Breakfast (complimentary for Captain and Crew)
- **0830:** Mandatory Skippers Meeting in event tent
- **1030:** Warning Signal (Pursuit Race)
- **1430:** – Time Limit
- **1400:** - Lite lunch provided – hotdogs, chips. Beer available.
- An Awards Ceremony will be held in the event tent as soon as results for the regatta series are available. Overall series and Sunday Race Standings will be posted in the event tent as soon as possible.

7. Sailing Instruction: will be available at Yachtscoring.com by September 23, 2017 and will also be in the Skipper's Packet at Registration.

8. Courses: Saturday will consist of a triangle and/or windward-leeward drop mark course. Saturday, Divisions will be placed into Fleet A and Fleet B, based on rating, with the latter racing a shorter course. Sunday will consist of a pursuit race. Racing will be held in the Rappahannock River between the Norris Bridge and Towles Point.

9. Scoring: The Low Point scoring system, Rule A2, will apply. Saturday's race scoring will be by corrected time finish within each Division. Sunday's race scoring will be by order of finish within each Division. Overall winner in addition to second and third place overall will be determined as detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The overall winner will have their name engraved on the Virginia Spirit Cup and receive a keeper trophy from AGA Correa Marine

10. Haul-Out Restrictions: Boats must be in the water by 1000 hours on Saturday, September 30. During the regatta yachts may only be hauled with written permission of the Race Committee.

11. Radios: Each boat shall have a working VHF radio. The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 to make courtesy announcements regarding general information, starting sequence, and boats that are over early.

12. Berthing: Anchorage and free water taxi service will be available in Carter's Creek and its tributaries. A limited number of slips are available at:

- Rappahannock Yachts (Sanders Yacht Yards)
(804)-438-5353 /info@rappyachts.com
- Custom Yachts
(866)-400-8349 or 804-438-5563 / john@customyachtsvc.com
- The Tides Marina (at Tides Inn)
(800)-843-3746 / info@tidesinn.com
- Carter's Cove Marina
(804)-438-5273 / info@carterscovemarina.com

Reservations must be made directly with those marinas.

13. Disclaimer: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS, PART 1, Rule 4, DECISION TO RACE. The Organizing Authority or any sponsoring organization will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

14. Safety Equipment: All competitors are required to meet the equipment requirements for US Near-shore (5P) as adopted by PHRF of the Chesapeake (available at <http://www.phrfchesbay.org>.)

15. Further Information: For further information contact:

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