



**2017 NORWALK SATURDAY SERIES – NOTICE OF RACE  
ORGANIZING AUTHORITY – NORWALK YACHT CLUB**

**1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:

- 1.1 The current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS);
- 1.2 The current Performance Handicap Racing Fleet Regulations (PHRF) as administered by the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRALIS);
- 1.3 The Category C Minimum Equipment Recommendations of the YRALIS.

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

- 2.1 The series is open to boats with LOA between 22 and 60 feet, racing under PHRF rules.
- 2.2 The OA reserves the right to reject any entry.
- 2.3 Each boat entered shall submit a valid 2017 PHRF Certificate (YRALIS) or, at the discretion of the OA, accept a rating from the OA.
- 2.4 The OA, at its discretion, may also have starts for Ideal 18's or other one-design classes.

**3. REGISTRATION**

- 3.1 All entries are to be made on-line at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 3.2 Boats may enter for all or individual race/s of the races comprising the Series.
- 3.3 Prior to the first race signal of the day, each boat intending to race shall check-in with the signal boat by sailing by and declaring her intention. There is to be no check-in by radio.

**4. FEES**

- 4.1 Entry Fees are \$320. for the series; \$40. per individual race.
- 4.2 Members of Minuteman Yacht Club for the King Cup, and Norwalk Yacht Club for the Chanteyman, Greens Ledge and Yellow Rock races who are not signed up for the series may race in those races at no cost by either registering online on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com), or registering with the signal boat prior to the first race signal of the day. If they do not have a PHRF certificate, a rating will be assigned to them by the OA. They will be eligible to win the trophy for the respective race, but their finish will not be counted toward the series unless they subsequently register online for the series.

**5. CLASSES**

- 5.1 Class 1 – Spinnaker - fly Numeral Pennant One from your backstay.
- 5.2 Class 2 – Non-Spinnaker - fly Numeral Pennant Two from your backstay.
- 5.3 Class 3 – Cruising non-spinnaker – Cruisers may sail in Class 3 and fly Numeral Pennant 3 from your backstay.
- 5.4 The OA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to subdivide either or both of Classes I and II based on the number of boats registered and/or other considerations.
- 5.5 Every Non-Spinnaker Class boat shall sail with a main and jib only. A jib is defined as a headsail with the entire luff of the sail attached along the headstay. A whisker pole may be used with one end attached to the mast.
- 5.6 Boats may sail in any Class in any race, provided they comply with the other paragraphs of

this section. Non-spinnaker boats may opt to be in either Class 2 or 3, but the OA reserves the right to reassign them in the interest of fairness to all boats.

## **6. QUALIFYING FOR SEASON TROPHIES**

**There are 8 qualifying races for season trophies**

- 6.1 A boat must start at least one more than half of the races completed in her Class to qualify for season series scoring in that Class.
- 6.2 Three races must be completed to constitute a series.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

- 7.1 The Schedule of Races is attached hereto as **Appendix 1 – Schedule of Races.**
- 7.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is **1230**. Warning signals for succeeding Classes will be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding Class.
- 7.3 Post-race parties will be held at the locations noted on Appendix 1. Please contact the host club to arrange for temporary mooring or dockage as needed. (Norwalk Yacht Club can be reached by phone or VHF radio as noted in item 15 below).

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available at [www.yachtscore.com](http://www.yachtscore.com) and will also be available at Norwalk Yacht Club and from the race committee signal boat on race days, prior to racing.

## **9. RACE AREA**

As shown in **Appendix 1 - Schedule of Races**, start and finish lines will be South of Rowayton, Connecticut in the vicinity of Greens Ledge Light, or South of Norwalk, Connecticut in the vicinity of Government Mark R"26".

## **10. COURSES**

Courses will be "Navigator's" courses around Government marks, to be chosen for the day from the list of courses attached to the Sailing Instructions.

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 Individual races will be scored using the Low Point Scoring System as set out in Appendix A4 of the RRS.
- 11.2 Series results will be scored using Appendix A9 of the RRS.
- 11.3 Races sailed in excess of the minimum required for series qualification will be discarded.

## **12. PRIZES**

- 12.1 Daily prizes for individual races will be awarded for each Class as follows:
  - 1-3 boats 1<sup>st</sup> place.
  - 4-5 boats 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
  - 6 or more boats 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.
- 12.2 Season trophies will be awarded for each Class as follows:
  - 1-3 qualifying boats 1<sup>st</sup> place.
  - 4-5 qualifying boats 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
  - 6 or more qualifying boats 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.
- 12.3 A participation recognition memento will be awarded to each boat that qualifies for series scoring but does not win a performance trophy.
- 12.4 The Awards Ceremony will be held at Norwalk Yacht Club on a date in November to be announced.

### **13. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organizing authority will not accept any liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Norwalk Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member 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. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Norwalk Yacht Club and the YRA of LIS and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat, including safety equipment and rigging, and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel manning them is at the risk of the participant.

### **14. FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Please contact: Norwalk YC, 10 Nathan Hale Rd, Wilson Point, South Norwalk, CT, 06854  
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**APPENDIX 1  
SCHEDULE OF RACES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Start Area</b>	<b>Party</b>
May 27	*King Cup	R26	Minuteman YC
Jun 10	Corinthians Single/Double-handed Race	GL	Norwalk YC
Jun 17	*Chanteyman Race	GL	Norwalk YC
July 15	*Philcox Cup	GL	Norwalk YC
July 22	Yellow Rock Trophy	GL	Norwalk YC
Aug 5	*Evening Race	R26	None
Aug 12	*Greens Ledge Race	GL	Norwalk YC
Sep 9	*Mayor's Cup Race	R26	Norwalk YC
Sep 16	*NISF Challenge	GL	Norwalk YC
Sep 30	*Partners Cup Race	R26	Partner's Cafe

\*Series trophy qualifying race