



BOOTHBAY HARBOR YACHT CLUB

Commodore's Cup Series - 2016

June 26, August 7 and August 21

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, except that rule 44.1 is changed so that a boat may take One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Races are open to all BHYC members, Boothbay Harbor One Design Association members sailing BHOD sailboats and non-members.
- 2.2 Boats racing in the Racing Class shall provide a copy of their valid or provisional PHRF New England certificate for 2016 prior to competing.
- 2.3 Boats racing in the Cruising Classes shall provide a copy of their valid or provisional PHRF New England certificate for 2016. Cruising Class boats without valid or provisional 2016 PHRF-NE racing handicap certificates will be handicapped by the BHYC Race Committee based on PHRF-NE handicaps of similar boats, their knowledge of the boat, and past results. Determinations by the Race Committee regarding handicapping in the event that PHRF-NE certificates are not present shall be final and not subject to redress.
- 2.4 One design classes shall race in compliance with class rules.
- 2.5 All boats owners must complete a Boat Registration Form which can be found in the Casino of the Clubhouse or on line at www.bhyc.net/racing.html.
- 2.6 All yachts should carry a functioning **VHF radio**. The Race Committee will make every attempt to hail competitors verbally and on VHF. It is the **responsibility of competitors** to comply with instructions from the signal boat.

3 CLASSES

There will be three Classes, as follows:

- Red Fleet: Spinnakers allowed; includes all boats with a NE-PHRF rating under 150.
- Blue Fleet: Spinnakers optional; includes all boats with a NE-PHRF rating between 150 and 200.
- White Fleet: Spinnakers optional; includes all boats with a NE-PHRF rating over 200.

4 FEES

- 4.1 No fees are required for members of BHYC or members of Boothbay Harbor One Design Association who are sailing BHOD sailboats. Non-members fees are \$35 for the three race series.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Races will be held on June 26 (Sunday), August 7 (Sunday) and August 21 (Sunday).

- 5.2 A brief skippers' meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 1145 each day.
- 5.3 The time of first warning is scheduled for 1300 each day.
- 5.4 One race will be sailed each day.

6 COURSES

- 6.1 Racing will be on a variety of windward-leeward and/or "around the buoys" courses set in the Boothbay Region including Boothbay Harbor and islands, Damariscotta River, and Sheepscot Bay.
- 6.2 Courses will be posted on the Race Committee Boat prior to each start and announced using VHF channel 72.
- 6.3 The approximate location of the starting area will be announced at the Skippers' Meetings and on VHF Channel 72 prior to the first race.
- 6.4 The Race Committee **may** start several Classes together.

7 SCORING

- 7.1 Individual races will be scored using PHRF Time on Distance.
- 7.2 Series results will be determined using the Low Point System, with all races included in the final score.
- 7.3 Series results will be modified as follows: DNC, DNS, DNF, DSQ, OCS will be scored as one point more than the number of boats racing that day, modifying Rule A4.2.

8 PRIZES AND TROPHIES

- 8.1 Trophies shall be awarded at the BHYC Racing Awards Dinner, 1800 hours, August 27, 2016. To be eligible for a trophy, boats must race in at least two races of the series.
- 8.2 The following trophies will be awarded, based on number of boats in the class:
 - Less than 5 boats – first place trophy
 - 5 – 7 boats – first and second place trophies
 - 8 or more boats – first, second and third place trophies
- 8.3 The following special trophies may be awarded:
 - Commodore George W. Cochrane Cup – Winner of the Cruising Fleet
 - James A.D. Geier Memorial Cup – Winner of the Racing Fleet
 - Commodore Harmanus Swan Memorial Trophy – Winner of the BHOD fleet
 - Commodore John D. Chapman Trophy – Winner of the J-22 fleet
 - Cruising Blue Fleet Award – winner of Commodore's Cup and Classic Boat Series
 - Commodore Alfred W. Custer Memorial Trophy – Winner of the J-80 fleet

9 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entire at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

10 FURTHER INFORMATION

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