

# BOBBIE VELTMAN MEMORIAL RACE

Part of the

## GLOUCESTER SCHOONER FESTIVAL

Sponsored by Eastern Point Yacht Club

Gloucester, MA

Saturday, September 1, 2018

- 1.1 **Event:** Bobbie Veltman Memorial Race will be held on September 1, 2018. The organizing authority is the Eastern Point Yacht Club, Gloucester, MA.
- 2.1 **Eligibility and Entry:** The race is open to all boats with a valid PHRFNE or an ORRez rating.
- 2.2 **Registration:** Simply go to the Regattaman website <https://www.regattaman.com>.
- 2.3 **Fees:** Entry fee is \$60, minus \$5 for US Sailing Membership and \$5 for MBSA membership, for registrations no later than noon, Friday, August 31, 2018 and \$85 (with no discounts) for late registrations.
- 2.4 **Handicap System:** The ORRez handicap system will be used, and Regattaman will apply these ratings to finishing times at the end of the race. In registering for the race, boats should declare whether they want to use their racing (SPIN) ratings or cruising (JAM) ratings. Boats can change their choice of rating up until 8a the morning of the race. For boats without an ORRez rating, the organizing authority (or Regattaman) will compute an ORRez rating from their PHRF rating, using a formula provided by MBSA. We believe an actual ORRez rating would be more favorable for your boat. In ORRez terminology, this will be a "Random Leg" race. The wind range (in ORRez terminology) will be determined by the Race Committee at the end of the race.
- 3 **Rules:** This Event will be governed by the Mass Bay Sailing Association General Sailing Instructions including the MBSA ORR-ez bylaws, except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions. Use of electric winches is permitted in this race; this changes RRS 52.
- 4 **Notices to Competitors:** Notices will be posted on the Regattaman website <https://www.regattaman.com>, and emails will be sent to registrants from the Regattaman website. Notices of cancellation/postponement, and any changes to sailing instructions will be available by 9:00 am the day of the race on this site. If there is a cancellation, the race will be rescheduled for Sunday, September 2, 2018, at the same time. Please contact the Race Committee on VHF Channel 73 with questions, starting at 11:00 am the day of the race, or call 617-407-2632 before then.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** There will be one race for all boats. Finishing times will be adjusted based on ORez ratings. There will be no Skippers Meeting.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:** The race will start at 12:00 noon (GPS time). The five-minute warning gun will be at 11:55a.
- 10.1 **The Course:** The start/finish line will be at Kettle Ledge about 2 miles SW of the Groaner (R "2" Fl R 4s WHIS) which is outside Gloucester Harbor. The coordinates of the start/finish line are 42 32 600 N and 70 41 600 W. The start/finish line will be between the committee boat and a yellow mark. The course will be MBSA Standard Course G, which is an initial triangular course followed by a windward leg and a leeward leg to the finish. The first mark will be about 3 miles to windward. The second mark will be set on the port side of the course, about three miles from both the first mark and the turning mark at the start/finish line. The third mark will be the turning mark. The fourth mark will be the windward mark. The fifth and final mark will be the start/finish line at the leeward mark. In the event of light air, the race committee will designate a shorter course.
- 14.2 **Recalls:** Boats that cross the starting time prior to the starting gun will be hailed by the Race Committee on VHF Channel 73.
- 17.1 **Time Limit:** The race will be terminated if the first boat does not cross the finish line within five hours of the time of the start.
- 17.2 Boats finishing more than one hour after the time limit will be scored DNF (did not finish).
- 24 **Prizes:** In the Cape Ann tradition, prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third overall. There will also be an award for first in the class (racing or cruising) for the boat that does not win first overall, but this boat will not be eligible for an overall award. The awards ceremony will be at the Rhumb Line Restaurant (40 Railroad Avenue in Gloucester) after the race.  
**Social Activities:** All captains, crews, and their guests are invited to the Rhumb Line restaurant after the race (5:00 to 7:00 pm). There will be a cash bar with complimentary refreshments provided.  
**Moorings and rooms:** Race participants may make reservations for moorings, rooms, and/or dinner at Eastern Point Yacht Club (978-283-3520). Also, other moorings can be reserved with the Gloucester Harbor Master.