



Northport Yacht Club

Northport, ME

Around Isleboro Race Notice of Race

Saturday, September 9, 2023

1. Event

- The Around Isleboro Race (AIR) is a 'low-key' affair with the intent on having a great summer sail around Isleboro Island. This race has been held for over 30 years!
- The race will start at 10:00 am, with the skipper's meeting at 8:30 at the clubhouse, on September 9, 2023.

2. Eligibility

- The race is open to all sailing yachts - racers, cruisers, multihulls and single-handed.
- Those yachts submitting a valid PHRF-New England Certificate will also be scored as part of the 2023 GMORA (Gulf of Maine Racing series.)
- Boats without a valid PHRF-New England handicap certificate will be handicapped by the Race Committee, using handicaps of similar boats.
- Entries shall be completed online at <https://www.regattaman.com>
- Crew lists and waivers of liability should be submitted online. A boat's registration will not be considered complete without waivers from the skipper and all crew members. A boat will not be scored if all registration requirements are not complete.

3. Rules

- This race will be governed by the rules as indicated in the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the US Sailing Prescriptions, except as modified by the AIR Sailing Instructions.
- Each boat shall comply with federal, state and local insurance requirements.

4. Sailing Instructions

- Sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at <https://www.regattaman.com> on or before 9:00 AM the day before the race.
- No drones shall be used while racing or in the racing area.

5. Communications

- The Official Notice Board is located online at <https://www.regattaman.com>
- All boats must have a working VHF on board.
- On the water, the Racing Committee will broadcast on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- Each boat is required to check in by passing by the stern of the signal boat .
- While racing, a boat shall not communicate in any way via voice or data transmissions unless the information is available to all boats.

6. Venue

- The race shall take place in the Penobscot Bay area, including Eastern Bay and Gilkey's Harbor.
- The course to be sailed will be contained in the Sailing Instructions.

7. Risk Statement

- Competitors participate in the race at their own risk. According to the Racing Rules of Sailing "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone"
- Each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing could be dangerous with inherent risks. NYC will not assume any liability for damages, personal injury or death prior to, during, or after the race.
- The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the race is responsible for the behavior of each crew member on his/her boat, both on the water and off. Property destruction or lack of good sportsmanship by any crew member may result in the boat's disqualification.
- The skipper must ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to the closing of registration.

8. Awards and Prizes

- Prizes will be presented at NYC around 6:30-7:00 pm at the discretion of the race committee.

9. **Skippers Meeting 8:30 sharp** on Saturday morning at the Northport Yacht Club clubhouse. All skippers shall be present.

10. **Moorings** are available on a first come, first served basis. Options include anchoring near the dock or in nearby Belfast. Moorings marked 'Bayside Marine' are rental moorings. You can contact Bayside Marine at 207-323-4565 to arrange a rental. There will not be an official launch service but club members will try to help ferry people ashore as needed, if available. Monitor Channel 69 for additional information. It would be best to bring your own dinghy.

Please note that at low tide, there is only 3 feet of water in front of the Bayside dock and the boat float. Please keep the outside of the dock free of dinghies to allow racing boats to pick up crew. Do NOT use the swim float for tying up dinghies.

Skippers, crew and guests are invited to participate in a gala post-race social at the clubhouse around 4:30pm. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs will be available, along with numerous dishes donated by yacht club and/or village members. There is no charge.