



## **Battle of the Bay July 11-12, 2023**

### **Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club Boothbay Harbor, Maine**

#### **NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)**

##### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.3 Boats sailing in a One Design class shall comply with the requirements of their Class Rules.

##### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online on the event website on or before July 10th, 2023.

##### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [https://www.regattaman.com/new\\_event\\_page.php?race\\_id=1031&yr=2023&cancel\\_dest=calendar.php](https://www.regattaman.com/new_event_page.php?race_id=1031&yr=2023&cancel_dest=calendar.php)
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.3 All boats with coaches and race committees shall have VHF radios to communicate on the water.

##### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The Battle of the Bay regatta is open to classes of centerboard dinghy under 20 feet, including but not limited to: C420, RS Feva, Laser Radial, Laser Full, RS Tera, and Optimist classes.
- 4.2 Class starts and awards will be reserved for classes with a minimum of six boats registered in each fleet. Exceptions may be made at the sole discretion of the OA.
- 4.3 If a single class fails to muster the required minimum number (6) for their fleet, they will be invited to race in mix-fleet races in the appropriate race area. The race committee intends, but does not guarantee, to score these boats according to the Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap System.
- 4.4 The number of competitors is limited by race area as follows:
  - 4.4.1 Opti/RS Tera Green (Inside Line): 40 competitors
  - 4.4.2 Opti Red-White-Blue; RS Tera (Outside Line): 40 competitors
  - 4.4.3 C420, RS Feva, Laser Radial (ICLA6), Laser Full (ICLA7) (Outside Line): 60 competitors including skippers and crew
- 4.5 Eligibility is limited to youth ages 8-18.

- 4.6 RS Tera and Optimist competitors are eligible to compete through December 31st of the year in which they the age of 15 years.
- 4.7 Please reserve Green Fleet for sailors with two years or less experience.
- 4.8 Boats may enter the event by registering online at [https://www.regattaman.com/new\\_event\\_page.php?race\\_id=1031&yr=2023&cancel\\_dest=calendar.php](https://www.regattaman.com/new_event_page.php?race_id=1031&yr=2023&cancel_dest=calendar.php)

## **5 FEES**

- 5.1 The required fee for each competitor is \$75. Entries received after July 8, 2022, shall be subject to a \$85 fee. A competitor, whether crew or skipper, for whom a registration fee has not been paid, will not be scored.
- 5.2 Registration must be complete and fees paid in order to participate in Monday's optional Dead Fish tourney and RS Feva demo sailing.

## **6 SCHEDULE**

### 6.1 Monday July 10th, 2023.

- 6.1.1 RS Feva demo sailing will be available 1 PM – 4 PM, first come first served.
- 6.1.2 Optional Dead Fish tourney, with teams of three boats, will be held on the water at 2 PM.
- 6.1.3 Ice cream social will be held 4:30, free to competitors and their coaches.
- 6.1.4 Check-in will be at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club Sailing & Education Center from 4PM – 8PM.

### 6.2 Tuesday, July 11, 2023

- 6.2.1 8:00 - 9:00 AM – Morning Check-in and sailors collect lunches
- 6.2.2 9:00 – Competitors' Meeting
- 6.2.3 9:45 – Dock Gun / Harbor Start for Outside Line
- 6.2.4 10:15 – Harbor Start for Green Fleet (Inside Line)
- 6.2.5 10:30 – Intended first warning signal for Outside Line
- 6.2.6 11:00 – Intended first warning signal for Green Fleet (Inside Line)
- 6.2.7 2:00 – Intended warning for “round the island” course for Outside Line (weather permitting)
- 6.2.8 4:00 – No Green Fleet warning after this time
- 6.2.9 4:30 – No Outside Line warning will be made after this time

### 6.3 Wednesday, July 12, 2023

- 6.3.1 8:30 – Competitors' Meeting
- 6.3.2 9:00 – Dock Gun / Harbor Start for Outside Line
- 6.3.3 9:15 – Harbor Start for Green Fleet (Inside Line)
- 6.3.4 10:00 – Intended first warning signal for Inside and Outside Lines
- 6.3.5 1:00 – No warning will be made after this time

- 6.3.6 Awards will be presented as soon as possible after the completion of racing and the completion protest/redress hearings that might have a bearing on the outcome of the top finishers.

## **7 VENUE**

- 7.1 The races shall be held in Booth Bay, Linekin Bay and the surrounding waters.

## **8 COURSE**

- 8.1 The intended course for Green Fleet will be windward/leeward and port triangle courses inside Boothbay Harbor no wake zone.
- 8.2 The intended course for Area A and Area B will be windward/leeward courses, triangle windward leeward courses, and the Harry Anderson Course. Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.3 The “round the island” course for Area A is intended to be around Mouse Island; the “round the island” course for Area B is intended to be around Squirrel Island.
- 8.4 All courses will be at the discretion of the race committee.
- 8.5 Courses will be further specified in the Sailing Instructions.

## **9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 9.1 For the Opti Green Fleet, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 9.2 This event will be using an expedited hearing process for protests and redress hearings. This changes RRS 63.2 and 63.3.

## **10 SCORING**

- 10.1 One race shall constitute a series.
- 10.2 The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A4, shall be used.
- 10.3 Ties will be broken in strict accordance with RRS Appendix A7.
- 10.4 The “round the island” race will be considered its own event, and not impact the Battle of the Bay scoring. Separate awards will be issued.

## **11 MEASUREMENT**

- 11.1 The only measurement requirement is that the competitor ensures by their entry that their boat and equipment comply with applicable class measurement rules.

## **12 SAFETY**

- 12.1 All competitors must comply with RRS 40.1 with the additional requirement that all PFDs must meet US Coast Guard requirements.
- 12.2 All coach and support power boats should be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-off switch (“kill switch”) which should remain attached to the support person at the helm at all times while the engine is running.

## **13 SUPPORT BOATS AND COACH BOATS**

- 13.1 In support of safety for all competitors, coaches shall check in and be identified by a clearly displayed flag provided by the OA.
- 13.2 Any boat not displaying a flag is asked to remain at least 200 yards from the racing area.

13.3 Support persons and coaches are to monitor their course VHF channel and assist if requested by the Race Committee. U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets must be worn by all coaches, safety & support boat personnel.

13.4 Launching facility locations will be posted and directions/parking information will be provided.

#### **14 RISK STATEMENT / DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

14.2 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. Attention is drawn to RRS 46 and WSOSR 1.02.1.

#### **15 INSURANCE**

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

#### **16 PRIZES**

16.1 Awards for first, second, and third place will be given to fleets that meet the minimum required fleet size of six boats.

16.2 Separate awards for the "around the island" course are planned.

16.3 Green fleet will not be scored.

16.4 The "broken oar" trophy is awarded to either Christmas Cove Yacht Club, Southport Yacht Club, or Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club to be held until the next Battle of the Bay. The winning Yacht Club shall be determined by taking the finishing score of the first five finishing boats from each Club (regardless of the fleet, excluding green fleet), with the lowest combined score being the winner of the trophy.

#### **17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

17.1 As one of the Clean Regatta policies all sailors, coaches & families are asked to bring reusable water bottles to reduce waste.

17.2 Please observe BHYC's no vaping or tobacco products on site policy.

17.3 For further information contact BHYC Youth Sailing Director, Chris Liberti at [libertichris@gmail.com](mailto:libertichris@gmail.com).