



## BHYC Commodore's Cup & Classics Series 2023

July 1, 2023

July 15, 2023

August 5, 2023

August 19, 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 minimally comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B (WSOSR)–*Special Regulations for Inshore Races* except Regulation 4.22 which will not require a drogue and 5.01.1 shall be changed to state each crew member shall have on board a personal flotation device that meets USCG requirements.
- 1.3 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.4 Boats sailing in a One Design class shall comply with the requirements of their Class Rules.

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions for the races will be available online on the event website at [regattaman.com](https://www.regattaman.com) on or before 0900 the day of the Race.

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board for the races is located at <https://www.regattaman.com/>.
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 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.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats without valid PHRF-NE handicap certificate will be handicapped by the Race Committee based on PHRF-NE handicaps of similar boats. 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.
- 4.2 Boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://www.regattaman.com/> for each race.
- 4.3 There will be one PHRF Cruising Division. No spinnakers, gennakers, Code-Zeros, mizzen-staysails, or equivalent are permitted in this division.

### 5 FEES

- 5.1 There is no fee to participate in this series. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make this event happen each year.
- 5.2 Other fees: Overnight moorings are available through Dockwa:  
<https://dockwa.com/explore/destination/x1cvz-boothbay-harbor-yacht-club>

5.3 Voluntary donations (not tax deductible) to support the costs of racing at BHYC are welcome, and can be made at the time of registration.

**6 ADVERTISING**

6.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with [World Sailing Regulation 20](#).

6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

**7 SCHEDULE**

7.1 Dates of Racing: The BHYC Commodore’s Cup and Classics races will be held on Saturdays, July 1, July 15, August 5, and August 19, 2023.

7.2 Times of racing shall be:

- Skippers’ Meeting 12:00 PM
- First Warning 1:00 PM (scheduled)
- Post-race activities 4:30 or upon return to BHYC dock

**8 VENUE**

8.1 The races shall be held in Boothbay, Linekin Bay and the surrounding waters. Note: laminated “not for navigation” charts showing the location of marks are available for purchase at the BHYC Ship’s Store.

**9 COURSE**

9.1 Courses will be “around the buoy” courses determined by the Race Committee using marks and locations as specified in the Sailing Instructions. Conditions permitting, at least one race will be among the islands.

**10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**11 SCORING**

11.1 One race shall constitute a series.

11.2 A boat’s score shall include all races held without discards. This modifies **RRS Appendix A2**.

11.3 The low point scoring system, **RRS Appendix A4**, shall be used.

11.4 Ties will be broken in strict accordance with **RRS Appendix A8**.

**12 RISK STATEMENT / DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

12.1 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.**

12.2 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.

**13 INSURANCE**

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

**14 PRIZES**

- 14.1 In races with 6 or more entries, prizes will be given to first, second, and third place boats. First and second place prizes will be awarded to classes/divisions with 3 to 5 entries. No prizes will be awarded for classes/divisions with fewer than 3 entries.
- 14.2 Season awards will be presented at the BHYC Racing Awards dinner, on a date to be announced.
- 14.3 Boats with a valid rating certificate issued by PHRF-New England and which are registered as members of the Gulf of Maine Ocean Racing Association (GMORA) may be scored as part of the GMORA Boothbay Region and Overall series.

**15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 15.1 For further information go to the regattaman Calendar <https://www.regattaman.com/calendar.php> select the race and click info, or [www.bhyc.net](http://www.bhyc.net), or contact BHYC event organizer Scott Blake (blake@homeport.org).