



Hospice Cup XXXIV

Saturday, 19 September 2015

Hosted by
Eastport Yacht Club

Assist by
Annapolis Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

1 ENTRY INFORMATION

1.1 CBYRA Sanction #: 358

1.2 The fee is:

- ♦ \$60 for entries received by 2000 hours on Saturday, 12 September 2015.
- ♦ \$80 for entries received after 2000 hours on Saturday, 12 September 2015, but before 2000 hours on Wednesday, 16 September 2015.
- ➔ Deduct \$5 for each membership in CBYRA and/or USSA.

1.3 Registration will be available online no later than Saturday, 01 August 2015, at the EYC website:

<http://www.eastportyc.org/on-the-water/racing>. Registrations may also be mailed to:

Eastport Yacht Club
ATTN: Race Committee, Hospice Cup
317 First Street
Annapolis, MD 21403

1.4 Entries received by Friday, 04 September 2015, will receive one (1) free Shore Party ticket.

1.5 Because this is a charity event, all proceeds from entry fees will be donated to hospice charities. Refunds will not be granted for cancelled registrations.

1.6 For more information, contact race.committee@eastportyc.org.

2 ELIGIBILITY

2.1 This race is open to boats of the following classes:

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| PHRF A0 | PHRF N | J/80 |
| PHRF A1 | Alerion Express 28 | J/30 |
| PHRF A2 | Cal 25 | J/35 |
| PHRF B | Harbor 20 | J/105 |
| PHRF C | J/70 | Hospice Class |

2.2 Additional classes will be accepted upon the receipt of six (6) or more paid entries by 2000 hours on Wednesday, 16 September 2015.

2.3 PHRF N competitors may use double headsails.

2.4 Neither spinnakers nor double headsails are permitted in the Hospice Class.

3 RULES

3.1 Racing shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*. RRS 63.7, Conflict between Rules, is replaced by, "*If there is a conflict between the Event Sailing Instructions and the Notice Of Race, the Event Sailing Instructions shall apply.*"

3.2 The Event Sailing Instructions will be available on the Eastport Yacht Club website no later than Saturday, 05 September 2015, and posted on the Official Notice Board at the EYC clubhouse.

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1 The schedule of events is:

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| Sat, 05 September | 2000 | Sailing Instructions posted to EYC website, Official Notice Board |
| Tue, 15 September | 1900 | Mandatory Hospice Class Skippers Meeting |
| Wed, 16 September | 2000 | Entry & registration closes |
| Sat, 19 September | 1100 | Warning signal for PHRF and Cruising One Design classes |
| | 1200 | Warning signal for Hospice Class |
| | | Subsequent races as signaled by the Race Committee |

4.2 Fleet assignments, rendezvous locations, and starting order will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

5 VENUES & COURSES

- 5.1 The Harbor 20 class will sail a Severn River course.
- 5.2 The Hospice Class will sail a course using CBYRA Region 3 Annapolis Area standard racing marks.
- 5.3 All other classes will sail drop mark courses as shown in the Sailing Instructions.

6 PRIZES

- 6.1 Prizes in each class will be as follows:
 - 1st and 2nd Places for six (6) or more entries;
 - 3rd Place for seven (7) or more entries.
- 6.2 Additional prizes will be awarded as described in NoR 8, Additional Information.
- 6.3 A post-race party at the Bert Jabin Yacht Yard will be held after the conclusion of racing. Special overall trophies funded by large sponsor pledges to hospices will be presented. Best overall performing skipper in the three (3) most recent Hospice Cup events will receive an invitation to compete in the 2016 Hospice Regattas National Championship.

7 INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.

8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 8.1 This is a Clean Race; all competitors are encouraged not to use disposable water bottles. Racers should refrain from throwing trash in the water and recycle all appropriate items.
- 8.2 For the Hospice Cruising Class only, there will be a mandatory Skippers Meeting on Tuesday, 15 September 2015.

Hospice Cup, a unique charity regatta, is a cooperative effort of Hospice Cup, Inc., Eastport Yacht Club, Annapolis Yacht Club, and multiple hospices serving the Maryland, D.C., and Northern Virginia areas where most racers live and work. The participating hospices benefit from funds raised through sponsorships, sailing crews, Shore Party ticket sales, and the live and silent auctions.

The Race counts for CBYRA High Point, attracting many of the best sailors on the Bay and requiring of racers only that they submit an entry and pay the fee. Non-racers and cruising sailors can enjoy a great day on the water, on spectator boats or in the special Hospice Cruising Class (for novice racers), and at the festive post-race party.

Racers can be Sponsors. Sponsorship is not required of racers, but by donating or raising money for participating hospices and hospice care, racers earn incentives including Shore Party tickets for crew or other guests. The Hank Lawton Trophy for fundraising is presented to the crew that raises the most money before race day, with prizes also for 2nd and 3rd places.

Hospice Class is a non-spinnaker class for sailboat owners who do not usually race but want to support participating hospices and hospice care. More experienced racers are encouraged to participate in other classes. Skippers who have previously won trophies in the Hospice Class are assigned additional handicaps of 6 sec/mile for each 1st place, 3 sec/mile for each 2nd place, and 1 sec/mile for each 3rd place.

Social events include the post-race Shore Party held at the Bert Jabin Yacht Yard with music, live and silent auctions, family-friendly activities, a catered dinner, and trophy presentations. Entries received by Friday, 04 September 2015, will receive one (1) free Shore Party ticket. Racers may purchase discounted tickets in advance, or qualify to win tickets by participating in the sailor fundraising program. See website listed below for more info. Commemorative items such as t-shirts and hats are available by advance order and at the Shore Party.

Sponsored trophies are underwritten by multi-year pledges from corporate or individual sponsors. Last year's sponsored trophies included the Paul Rosen Best in Fleet Trophy sponsored by Annapolis Yacht Sales, for best overall performance; the ARINC Trophy for best USNA helmsmanship; the Sajak Family Foundation Trophy for best in cruising one-design; the Mathilda J. Long Trophy for most competitive 2nd place in cruising one-design; the Martin F. McCarthy Trophy for best in Hospice Class; the Lovelace- Sniegon Memorial for best Hospice Class boat with caregiver crew; the Allan C. Westcott Award for the Caregivers who crew; and the Hank Lawton Award for the crew raising the most money. **The Hospice Cup** is the top honor awarded for best three-year performance; it qualifies the winner to compete in the annual Hospice Regattas National Championship against representatives of the many other hospice regattas sailed nationwide, each event patterned on this original hospice regatta.

For more information about the Shore Party & Donations: www.hospicecup.org