



ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB

2016 WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACES

April 27, 2016 – August 31, 2016

The Organizing Authority is the Annapolis Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The invited classes are: Alberg 30, Etchells, Harbor 20, Herreshoff 12½, J/22, J/24, J/30, J/70, J/80, J/35, J/105, Farr 30, Farr 40 and PHRF. Handicap division entrants shall have a valid 2016 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating. The rating at the time of entry will be used during all three series. The number of classes and splits will be determined by the Race Committee. Anyone entering a boat must be a regular, active participant on the boat for the series and is responsible for the actions of the boat and crew while participating in the event.

2.2 Entry is available on-line on the event website www.annapolisyc.com/racing.

2.3 Each entry shall submit with their entry a [Crew List](#) of non AYC members using the form available on the event website. Wednesday Night Racing guest cards will be issued to all non-AYC crewmembers. Use of the card is specified on the form and allows the crewmember to purchase tickets for food and beverages at the WNR Post-Race party.

3 Entry Fees

3.1 Entry and fee of \$215 are due by 1900 Friday, April 22, 2016. Entries received after that date are subject to a \$50 late fee.

3.2 The entry fee is payable in full upon entering and is non-refundable.

3.3 Entry is available on-line on the event website www.annapolisyc.com/racing.

4 Schedule

4.1 The event will consist of three series.

4.2 The Schedule is as follows:

- Skipper's Meeting: 27 April 2016 @ 1630 hours
- First Series Racing: 27 April – 1 June 2016
- Second Series Racing: 08 June – 20 July 2016 (No race 06 July)
- Third Series Racing: 27 July – 31 August 2016
- Awards Ceremony: September 14th

4.3 Following racing each Wednesday, there will be a party for all competitors under the tent at the AYC Jr. Sailing Annex. Weekly drink specials and food will be available for purchase and complimentary beer will be served from 1930-2030.

5 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions (including Course Sheets) will be available at the Skippers meeting under the tent at the AYC Jr. Sailing Annex and online on the event website.

6 The Courses

6.1 Courses will be a combination of fixed and drop mark courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

7 Radio Communication

7.1 The race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the sailing instructions.

8 Penalty System

8.1 RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, will apply as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

9 Scoring

9.1 The Low-Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

9.2 RRS Appendix A9 and A4.2 will be changed such that a boat that started but did not finish, a boat that did not start, a boat that retired after finishing, or a boat that was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished in their class.

9.3 One race must be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.4 PHRF of the Chesapeake splits will be used as a guideline for PHRF divisions; however the final divisions will be determined by the ratings of the entries. Classes may be started together in a Fleet, but scored separately. Handicap divisions may be divided and/or starts combined if the number of entries and/or ratings indicates that this would improve race management. Scoring will be calculated using ToD (Time on Distance).

9.5 Final Division, Class, and Fleet assignments and starting sequence will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

10 Awards and Social

10.1 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class. Perpetual trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

10.2 The Awards Ceremony will take place on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at the Annapolis Yacht Club, 12 Dock Street.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. 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.

12 Insurance

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance provider with a minimum cover of \$300,000 (US\$) per event or the equivalent.

The person entering a boat may be asked to provide proof of insurance.

13. Contact

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