



Hospice Cup XXXV

CBYRA Sanction #358

Saturday, 17 September 2016

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
Eastport Yacht Club

Assist by
Annapolis Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 PHRF N competitors may use double headsails.
- 1.3 Neither spinnakers nor double headsails are permitted in the Hospice Class.
- 1.4 Entrants with racing experience are not permitted in the Hospice Class; experienced racers shall participate in other classes. Boats that host a caregiver and/or have a junior sailor at the helm are eligible to race in the Hospice Class.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

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

PHRF A0	PHRF N	J/80	CRCA Pocket Cruiser
PHRF A1	Cal 25	J/30	CRCA Racer/Cruiser
PHRF A2	Etchells	J/35	CRCA True Cruiser
PHRF B	Harbor 20	J/105	Hospice Class
PHRF C	J/70		
- 2.2 Additional classes will be accepted upon the receipt of six (6) or more paid entries by 2000 hours on Wednesday, 14 September 2016.
- 2.3 The entry fee is:
 - ♦ \$60 for early entries received by 2000 hours on Saturday, 10 September 2016.
 - ♦ \$80 for entries received after 2000 hours on Saturday, 10 September 2016, but before 2000 hours on Wednesday, 14 September 2016.
- 2.4 This is a charity event and all proceeds from entry fees will be donated to hospice charities. Refunds will not be granted for cancelled registrations.
- 2.5 Registration will be available online no later than Saturday, 30 July 2016, at the Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) website: <http://eastportyc.org/hospice-cup>. Registrations may also be mailed to:
Eastport Yacht Club
ATTN: Race Committee, Hospice Cup
317 First Street
Annapolis, MD 21403
- 2.6 Early entries received by Friday, 02 September 2016, will receive one (1) free Shore Party ticket.
- 2.7 For the CRCA Cruising & Hospice classes only, a mandatory competitors meeting will be held on Thursday, 15 September 2016, at EYC. Exceptions to this requirement may be discussed with the EYC Race Committee prior to the event.

3 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The schedule of events is:

Sat, 03 September	2000	Sailing Instructions posted
Wed, 14 September	2000	Entry & registration closes
Thu, 15 September	1900	Mandatory Skippers Meeting for CRCA Cruising & Hospice classes
Sat, 17 September	1100	Warning signal for PHRF, Cruising One Design, and one-design classes
	1200	Warning signal for CRCA Cruising, Hospice, and Harbor 20 classes
		Subsequent races as signaled by the Race Committee

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the EYC website no later than Saturday, 03 September 2016, and posted on the Official Notice Board at the EYC clubhouse.

5 VENUE

- 5.1 Racing will be on the Severn River and on the adjacent waters of the Chesapeake Bay.
- 5.2 Fleet assignments, rendezvous locations, and starting order will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.3 A post-race party at the Bert Jabin Yacht Yard will be held after the conclusion of racing.

6 COURSES

- 6.1 The Harbor 20 class will sail one (1) race on the Severn River.
- 6.2 The PHRF A0, CRCA Cruising, & Hospice classes will sail one (1) race using CBYRA Region 3 Annapolis Area standard racing marks.
- 6.3 All other classes will sail multiple drop mark courses as shown in the Sailing Instructions.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Cruising One Design, one-design, and Hospice classes only, RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

8 SCORING

RRS Appendix A4, the Low Point System, will apply. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 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.
- 9.2 Additional prizes will be awarded as described in NoR 12, Additional Information. 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 2017 Hospice Regattas National Championship.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in Hospice Cup entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4. The organizing authority will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

11 INSURANCE

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

12 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 12.1 This is a Clean Race. All competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. RRS 55 prohibits placing trash in the water.
- 12.2 For more information, contact race.committee@eastportyc.org.

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 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.

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. Early entries received by Friday, 02 September 2016, 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. Trophies include the Paul Rosen Best in Fleet Trophy sponsored by Annapolis Yacht Sales, for best overall performance; a trophy for best USNA helmsmanship; the Sajak Family Foundation Trophy for best 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