

**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**FHYC – John Walsh Memorial Oar Race**  
**New Bern, NC**  
**Saturday, September 3, 2016**

**Regatta:** The 33rd Oar Race will be a distance race from Fairfield Harbour to Oriental. This race commemorates the evacuation of Dunkirk during World War II. The perpetual award for this race is an oar used during that historic event. This race also serves as a feeder race for the Michelob Ultra Cup (Oriental back to New Bern). The Michelob Ultra Cup will be held the following Sunday, September 4. Participation in the Michelob Ultra Cup, organized by NYRA, is not required for participation in the Oar Race.

**Rules:** The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

**Eligibility and Entry:** Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club is the organizing authority. The race is open to all sailboats with a NC-PHRF or FHYC rating. Entry is via online registration by Wednesday, August 31, at [www.regattanetwork.com/event/12818](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12818).

**Fees:** The registration fee is \$35.00 with a \$5.00 discount for US Sailing members.

**Classes:** There will be classes for spinnaker, non-spinnaker, multi-hull boats and cruising boats. Multi-hulls will not be eligible for the overall award. Further divisions, or reduction of divisions, based on number of entries, may be made at the Race Committee's discretion.

**Schedule:** Saturday, September 3:

**08:30 – Skippers' Meeting** to be held at the Northwest Creek Marina

**11:00 –First Warning Signal** for the race sequence to commence

**18:30 –Awards Presentation** at the Tiki Bar at the Oriental Marina.

There will be a cash bar social at the Tiki Bar at the Oriental Marina after the race.

**Sailing Instructions:** Sailing Instructions will be available at the skippers' meeting or online via [www.regattanetwork.com/event/12818](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12818).

**Course:** One race is scheduled. The start will be set in the vicinity of Neuse River markers #17 and #19 and Upper Broad Creek #2. The finish will be set at Oriental marker #1.

**Scoring:** The race will be scored using time on time handicapping. For the purpose of determining the overall winner of the Oar Race, non-spinnaker boats will receive a 15 seconds per mile allowance on their handicap. This allowance will be applied by the race committee.

**Radio Communication:** The race committee will use **VHF channel 78** to advise competitors.

**Awards:** Awards will be given in each division depending on the number of entries. The overall winning mono-hull will have its name added to the perpetual trophy and receive a miniature replica.

**Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4. Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**Insurance:** Entry into this regatta certifies the owner of the participating yacht is insured with current third- party liability insurance of at least \$300,000.

**Further Information:** For information please contact Mark Hallquist at 832-794-2566 or [mark.hallquist@hotmail.com](mailto:mark.hallquist@hotmail.com)

**For NC PHRF rating and information: [www.ncphrf.com](http://www.ncphrf.com)**