

PECONIC BAY SAILING ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF RACE

Whitebread 23

Saturday, October 8, 2016

(Foul Weather date October 9)



WB 23 Event Website 1

1. RACE DESCRIPTION AND ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. Whitebread 23 will be a handicapped distance race circumnavigating Shelter Island around government marks. The Race Committee will manage the division splits with the goal of improving competition at all levels. There will be awards for each division and for performance overall.
- 1.2. Organizing Authority: Peconic Bay Sailing Association.
- 1.3. Contact Information

Commodore	Dave Bergen	Dave Bergen bergend@sunysuffolk.edu>
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2. COURSES, RENDEZVOUS & START TIMES

- 2.1. Rendezvous with an RC Vessel displaying code flag L in the vicinity of R18 in Little Peconic Bay. Code flag L means "Come within hail" and also "Follow Me". The location of the starting line will be adjusted according to the weather conditions.
- 2.2. Courses: The course for each sub division will be selected from the list of courses contained in the sailing instructions. Courses will vary in length up to 30 miles. Depending on the conditions, courses may not circumnavigate Shelter Island and may include government marks in Great Peconic Bay. Different divisions may sail different courses. All courses, unless shortened, will finish in the vicinity of Can 1 in Cutchogue Harbor. Courses may be shortened for some or all divisions for lack of wind or because of foul weather in accordance with RRS 32.
- 2.3. Start Times: The starting order and start times for each division and subdivision will be published in the SI's. The Race Committee intends to start the slowest yachts first beginning prior to 0900 on 8 October.
- 2.4. Postponements on Race Day: The RC will hoist flags as required by RRS 27.3 and make efforts to inform competitors of its intentions on VHF. The failure of any competitor to receive such VHF messages will not be grounds for redress.
- 2.5. Postponement Prior to Race Day Due to Foul Weather: the Race Committee will post on the official notice board Flags AP over A to announce the Race Committee's intent to postpone until 9 October or N over H to announce that racing on both days will be abandoned. The Race Committee will communicate with by email. The failure of any competitor to receive such messages shall not be grounds for redress.

3. RULES

- 3.1. Organizing Authority: The organizing authority is the Peconic Bay Sailing Association. Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 - 2016 except as modified here or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- Scoring: Scoring for each division will be PHRF/Time on Time using PHRF of Eastern Long Island ratings.

- 3.3. Division Flags: Division Flags shall be displayed on the backstay or stern of competing sailing vessels. Division Flags will be distributed in race packets at the Skippers Meeting on Friday. Division Flags will be used as class flags in the RRS 26 Starting Sequence. The purpose of this rule is to avoid confusion in the starting area and to allow competitors in each division to identify each other more easily on the race course.
- 3.4. Conflicts: In the case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the SIs, the SIs shall govern. This modifies Rule 63.7.
- 3.5. **Protests:** The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat in the race finishes. The intention to protest shall be announced by hail or VHF to the Race Committee and shall include the sail numbers of the protested yacht or yachts. This modifies RRS 61.3.
- 3.6. **Penalties**: In the spirit of Corinthian sailing, competitors are encouraged to take "turns" penalties at the time of the incident as specified in RRS 44.1 and 44.2. Failure to take turns does not preclude a competitor from taking a Scoring Penalty under RRS 44.3 by displaying a yellow flag from the time of the incident and informing the Race Committee within 1 minute of finishing.
- 3.7. Protest and Redress Hearings: A Protest Committee appointed by PBSA will decide protests. Protests must be submitted in writing within the time limit to the Protest Desk at Cutchogue Harbor Marina. Valid protests as defined by RRS 61.1 and RRS 61.2 will be heard in the Protest Room at Cutchogue Harbor Marina as soon as practical after the boats involved have finished. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 3.8. Official Notice Board: Changes and amendments to the NOR and the SIs and for protest notices will be accessible on line through www.pbsa.us. Reasonable efforts will be made to inform competitors via email of new postings to the Official Notice Board on the event web site. Failure to receive such alerts shall not be grounds for redress. Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be given by the Race Committee on the water in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c). Every attempt will be made to inform competitors of such changes by VHF. Failure to receive such instructions shall not be grounds for redress.

4. AWARDS

First three places in each division and special awards as listed on the PBSA website.

5. SCHEDULE

7 October	1800	Distribution of Race Packets: SIs, Scratch Sheets, Division Flags, gear and party tickets	
	1900	Skippers Meeting	
8 October	0700	Attention Signal	
	1700	Whitebread Party. Awards Ceremony (unless racing is postponed until Sunday)	
9 October	0700	Attention Signal if Racing is Postponed from 8 October	

6. **ELIGIBLILITY AND ENTRY**

- 6.1. Mono hull or multihull sailing vessels of 22 feet length overall or greater with a valid 2016 PHRF of Eastern Long Island rating of 300 or less. Visiting yachts may apply for day ratings. One design classes with at least seven entries may be scored separately.
- 6.2. The entry form must be completed on line. Payment may be made on line or by mail to PBSA, P.O. Box 1196, Cutchogue, NY 11935. The link to the entry form will be available on www.pbsa.us. A valid 2016 rating certificate from PHRF of Eastern Long Island shall be submitted in order for a yacht to be scored. Yachts without valid ratings may apply for a day rating.

- 6.3. Entry shall be made to either the spinnaker, non spinnaker, or one design Fleet/Class. Division splits will be made by the race committee based on ratings and other criteria in order to improve competition and assign start times. One design classes with fewer than seven entries may be assigned to PHRF divisions as appropriate. The results of these Race Committee decisions will be published in the SIs.
- 6.4. Entry shall not be complete until a valid PHRF rating has been received.

7. FEES AND DEADLINES

September 9 (2400)	\$100.00 early bird entry ends. All entries after midnight will be charged a \$50.00 late fee.
September 23 (2400)	Last day to order gear
September 30 October 2 (2400)	Late entry deadline. Changes between divisions will not be accepted.
October 2 (2400)	Entries of boats without ratings will be cancelled and entry fees refunded.

- 7.1. Entry Fees: The entry fee includes two adult race party tickets. The fee for entry after September 9 is \$150.00. Additional party tickets are \$25.00 in advance of September 30 and \$40.00 thereafter.
- 7.2. **Refund** of Entry Fee or Party Tickets: No fees paid for party tickets shall be refunded after 2400 hours on September 30. Requests in writing for party ticket refunds should be submitted to the Regatta Chair Steve Weiss. Race entry fees of yachts submitting written notice of withdrawal to the Principle Race Officer prior to midnight on October 6 may be refunded on a case by case basis. After midnight on October 6, abandonment of racing by the race committee due to weather conditions shall not be sufficient reason to refund entry fees.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND RACE PACKETS

- 8.1. Race Packets will be distributed at the Skippers Meeting on Friday. Race packets will include a backstay division flag, sailing instructions, and a scratch sheet.
- 8.2. **General Sailing Instructions:** Sailing instructions will be posted on the event website in early September.
- 8.3. Division Splits and Start Sequence Times: Following the September 30th deadline for late entries and division changes, division splits and start times will be published on the event web site and in the SIs.

9. **DOCKAGE AND LAUNCH SERVICE**

9.1. Moorings and/or dock space is available on a first come first served basis.

New Suffolk Waterfront Fund	Shannon Simon	shannonsimon@optonline.net
New Suffolk Shipyard	Michael Irving	631-734-6311
Cutchogue Harbor Marina		www.newsuffolkshipyard.com/contact

9.2. Launch Schedule: Hail VHF 69

Friday	1600 - 2200
Saturday	0600 - 1000
	1700 - 2300
Sunday	0800 - 1000

10. **SOCIAL**

Skipper's Meeting Friday night. Race Party Saturday night at Cutchogue Harbor Marina: dinner, beer and wine and live band. Awards presented at another time if the race is held on Sunday. Two party tickets included with race entry. Additional party tickets are \$25.00 prior to October 1 and \$40.00 after October 1.