

2016-2017 AYC FROSTBITE SERIES

First Series: November 6th - December 11th, 2016 Hangover Bowl: January 1st, 2017 Second Series: February 5th - March 19th, 2017

The Annapolis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority Event website: http://annapolisyc.com/racing

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the **2013-2016** edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for the entire event.
- 1.2 Each boat shall race with at least three crew (including the skipper) that have a body weight of at least 100 pounds.
- 1.3 While racing, a boat's crew may not change sails, leave the cockpit, extend body limbs over the lifelines or emerge from a hatch beyond the waist.
- 1.4 RRS 50.2 (Spinnaker Poles; Whisker Poles) and RRS 50.3(c) (Use of Outriggers) are changed such that no Spinnaker Pole or Whisker Pole shall be used while racing. Any other outrigger type shall comply with RRS 50.3(a).

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is by invitation and limited to members of AYC, EYC, NASS, SSA, CBYRA competing in PHRF or one of the invited classes and members of the invited classes. Invited classes are: Catalina 27, Cal 25, Etchells, Harbor 20, J/22, J/30, J/70, J/80 and J/105. For a one design start a class shall have a minimum of 5 boats registered.
- 2.2 The person in charge entering a boat must be a regular, active participant on the boat for the regatta and is responsible for the actions of the boat and crew while participating in the event.
- 2.3 Boats not racing in a one design class will be assigned to a PHRF division and those designations will be announced at the Skippers meeting before the first race. Handicap division entrants shall have a valid 2016 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating. The rating at the time of entry will be used for the entire regatta.

3 FEES

- 3.1 Entry is available online on the event website. Early, on-line registration is requested by the race committee and is strongly recommended since a limit may be placed on the number of entries accepted.
- 3.2 Registration and entry fee of \$205 are due by 1700 Friday, 28 October 2016. The entry fee for registrations after this time is \$255. Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are non-refundable.
- 3.3 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps and pay all fees.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The Skippers meeting will be held at AYC on November 6th, 2016 at 1100 in the AYC Sailing Center tent at 550 Severn Avenue.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day will be at 1245. Two races are scheduled each Sunday during the 1st and 2nd series. One race is scheduled for the Hangover Bowl.
- 4.3 Lunch is served between the 1st and 2nd race. For the First Series lunch will be served in the AYC Sailing Center tent, for the Second Series it will be served in the AYC Skipjack Room at 12 Dock St. Drink specials are available at AYC after the 2nd race.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted on the event website no later than October 28th, 2016.

6 COURSES

The courses will be as described in the sailing instructions. The course will be posted on the Naval Academy wall. The finishing line will be inside the harbor off the Annapolis Yacht Club for the 1st Series, and between the north dock of the National Sailing Hall of Fame (NSHOF) and a floating orange mark off the end of that dock for the Hangover Bowl and the 2nd Series.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, will apply as changed by the sailing instructions. RRS 44.2, One-Turn and -Two-Turns Penalties, will NOT apply.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 Twelve races are scheduled for the 1st Series and fourteen for the 2nd Series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When eight (8) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When nine (9) to eleven (11) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When twelve (12) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 8.2 The first sentence of RRS Appendix A (Scoring), rule 4.2 is replaced by: "A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing, was TLE, did not come to the starting area or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished."
- 8.3 RRS Appendix A9 (Race Scores Longer than a Regatta) is deleted.
- 8.4 PHRF corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Distance scoring.

9 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 9.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on at least channels 9, 13, 16 and 72.
- 9.2 Boats should monitor VHF 72 for courtesy communications from the race committee.

10 CONTACT WITH MOORED BOATS

10.1 While racing, boats shall not make contact with anchored, moored or docked vessels.

11 DOCKING

- 11.1 Boats shall not tie up to or touch the docks belonging to the Yacht Basin immediately next to the Yacht Club. Boats that violate this rule will be responsible for all charges from the Yacht Basin and be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 11.2 Boats may tie up to and raft off of docks owned by AYC, but may not extend over the AYC property line.
- 11.3 Boats wishing to tie up and raft off of docks owned by the NSHOF shall complete the dockage form available on the event website. Dockage is subject to availability and limited to the NSHOF North and South Piers and Parkside. Dock as noted on the Dock Layout available on the event website.
- 11.4 Boats shall not dock on the DNR dock located north of the northernmost NSHOF dock. Larger boats and boats with slips at AYC are encouraged to use the AYC docks to leave room for the smaller boats to dock on the NSHOF docks.
- 11.5 Shuttle service will be provided between the AYC Club House and 12 Dock St.

12 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. The Annapolis Yacht Club and their members, volunteers, employees, officers and agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person(s) or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

13 INSURANCE

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

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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