



NOTICE OF RACE

Name of Race: 2017 Blue Water Regatta

ONLINE REGISTRATION/PAYMENT ONLY AT: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12953>

Location of Regatta: Sandy Hook Bay & Vicinity

Organizing Authority: Atlantic Highlands Yacht Club (AHYC) & Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club

Dates: Saturday/Sunday, August 5 & 6, 2017

1. Rules

1.1 Racing will be governed by the following:

- a) The rules, as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing For 2017– 2020**, including the US Sailing Prescriptions thereto.
- b) Yachts racing in the PHRF Divisions (other than first time racers) must have a valid 2017 PHRF-MA rating certificate. (PHRF Division Boats that have never raced before and do not have a current PHRF-MA rating certificate can apply for a PHRF-MA guest rating on Friday, August 4 at the AHYC clubhouse at 2000 hrs).
- c) PHRF-MA crew limitations will be in effect for this regatta.
- d) Yachts racing as One Design shall race in accordance with their Class Association Rules, provided a minimum of three **(3)** competitors in each such class has registered to race as a One Design fleet (division).
- e) Those One Design classes whose class rules require crew weigh-in will do so.
- f) For Portsmouth Yardstick Catamaran Classes, SHBCC fleet championship rules apply.
- g) Racing will start at 1300 hrs on Saturday, Aug. 5 and at 1100 hrs on Sunday, Aug. 6.

2. Eligibility & Entry

- a) The Blue Water Regatta is open to PHRF, various One Design, large multihulls (NEMA) and Portsmouth Yardstick catamaran Classes.
- b) The PHRF fleet will consist of both spinnaker and non-spinnaker fleets.
- c) All PHRF yachts must be monohulls of at least 22 feet and carry a minimum of two (2) persons.
- d) Yachts entering must complete the registration form at Regattanetwork.com as provided by the organizing authority. *No entries will be registered after 2200 hrs. on August 4.*
- e) Yachts will not be officially entered without the completion of entry and waiver of liability form.
- f) Hobie catamarans have the option to race both days or on Sunday, August 6 only.
- g) PHRF non spinnaker boats will have the option of choosing to race one day (Saturday, August 5) only or both days. *A division of PHRF boats deciding to race one day only will be formed only if a minimum of three **(3)** boats enter.*

3. Fees **PAYMENT IS DUE BY JULY 28. IF REGISTERING OR PAYING AFTER JULY 28 THERE WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL LATE FEE OF \$25.00**

- a) PHRF (A & B), One Design (3 **boats required for a one design division**) & Large Multihull: \$125.00 (includes one blue water T shirt).
- b) PHRF Division; Saturday only (3 boats required): \$70.00 (includes one blue water T shirt).
- c) First time PHRF & One Design entrants in a Blue Water Regatta: \$80.00 (includes one blue water T shirt).
- d) Portsmouth Yardstick Catamaran/Hobie cats (both days): \$45.00 (includes one blue water T shirt).
- e) Portsmouth Yardstick Catamaran/Hobie cats (one day only): \$25.00
- f) **Barbecue Tickets:**
 - 1. Purchased online: \$20.00, children under 14: \$10.00
 - 2. purchased at site*: \$25.00

***There are a limited number of barbecue tickets available on site. It is strongly recommended that barbecue tickets be purchased online.**

Purchase barbecue tickets online at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12953>

Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions and Skipper's Packets will be available at the Skipper's Meeting. The skipper's meeting is Friday, August 4, 2017 at 2000 hrs. at the Atlantic Highlands Yacht Club.

Sailing Instructions will also be posted online at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12953>

4. PRELIMINARY RACE SCHEDULE

a) Saturday, August 5

- 1. PHRF, Large Multihull and Hobie divisions will do a point to point (distance) race.
- 2. One Design divisions will do windward-leeward races.

b) Sunday, August 6

- 1. PHRF non spinnaker boats will do a point to point (distance) race.
- 2. One Design, PHRF Spinnaker, Large Multihull and Hobie divisions will do windward-leeward races.

5. Trophies

a) Overall trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place boat in each division. A perpetual trophy will be presented to the overall winners of the PHRF "A" and PHRF "B" divisions. The trophy will be engraved with the boat's name and will be presented at the AHYC awards dinner to be held in January 2018.

6. Social Event Information

a) Friday, August 4

Registration will take place at the AHYC Clubhouse from 1800 hrs – 2100 hrs.

Skippers meeting will start at 2000 hrs. **Please attend as the AHYC Clubhouse will not be open Saturday morning for registration or info.**

Blue Water Regatta Tee shirts will be available for purchase.

Cash bar.

b) Saturday, August 5

Beach Party/Barbecue at Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club; commences at 1800 hrs.
Blue Water Regatta Tee shirts will be available for purchase.

Sunday, August 6

Trophy presentations at the AHYC Club House ~2 hours after finish of last race. (Pending protests)
Blue Water Regatta Tee shirts will be available for purchase.
Cash bar.

7. Slip and Mooring Accommodations

a) Moorings and/or rafting will be available at Atlantic Highlands YC. Contact Peter Chirlian: peter.chirlian@armanta.com for reservations.

b) Boats coming in on trailers should contact Elaine Haheer (732-822-2882) to arrange for launching.

c) Shower facilities are available at the harbor.

d) Arrangements for slips can be made through the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission @732-291-1670.

e) Portsmouth Yardstick Catamarans shall be launched at SHBCC.

NOTE: PHRF and One-Design yachts shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with the written permission of the Race Committee.

8. Directions to AHYC

a) Take Garden State Parkway to Exit 117. Merge onto RT 36 for approximately 9.5 miles. Take the jug handle onto 1ST AVE. Signs will be posted for the Municipal Harbor. Pass through the downtown area.

b) Turn RIGHT onto SIMON LAKE DR. AHYC is located on the second level of the Shore Casino Restaurant. The launch dock is at the end of pier 4. The hoist and launch ramp are beyond the gates to the East.

9. Directions to SHBCC (Beach Party)

a) Exit the marina and make a left onto First Avenue. Continue on First Avenue to Center Avenue (Memphis Pigout) and turn right.

b) Continue on Center Avenue past Avenue D. About 100 yards on the right is the entrance to the Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club.

On behalf of the Atlantic Highlands Yacht Club and the Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club, the AHYC Race Committee thanks you for joining us in this prestigious summer event. The competitors are what makes regattas such an enjoyable and exciting event and we appreciate your participation and support.

We welcome your suggestions and ideas to improve this event. Please feel free to contact us. Good luck and enjoy a successful racing season.

Contact Information

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