



Cambridge Yacht Club

Welcomes you to the
80th Anniversary of the first
Governor Hicks Trophy Weekend for Log Canoes
August 18-19, 2018

Sailing Instructions

- 1. Eligibility:** Only Chesapeake Bay Log Sailing Canoes.
- 2. Entries:** All contestants must register with the Cambridge Yacht Club (CYC) Race Committee prior to the race weekend. Contestants may register on line at www.regattanetwork.com/event/17480 prior to the Saturday races. **A Skipper's Meeting is scheduled to begin at 0845 on Saturday.** There is a \$40.00 entrance fee.
- 3. Racing Rules:** The regatta will be governed by *The Racing rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of US Sailing, as modified by CBYRA, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions, by the PRO at the skipper's meeting, or by these sailing instructions. Changes made at the Skipper's Meeting will be posted in writing immediately following the meeting on the official notice board in the clubhouse hallway.
- 4. Course:** Following the Skipper's Meeting, the course will be established by the PRO, based on wind and water conditions, and communicated to the contestant's by loud hailer from the Committee boat prior to the ten minute warning.

5. Schedule of Races:

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Warning</u> <u>Signal</u>	<u>Start</u>
#1	Sat, Aug 18	0950	1000
#2	Sat, Aug 18	1350	1400
#3	Sun, Aug 19	0950	1000

- 6. Start:** Signals will be at 5-minute intervals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Signals will be as follows:

WARNING	10 minutes	White Flag	sound
PREP	5 minutes	Blue Flag	sound
START	0	Red Flag	sound

The starting line will be between the orange flag on the Committee boat and either a government mark or a round yellow club mark. Distance to the first mark will be established by GPS. There may be a barging buoy set aft of the Committee boat. Do not enter this area. No race will be started in less than 3 knots of wind. The decision to participate in a race will be made by each skipper on his own responsibility. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

- 7. Recalls:** Individual recalls will be signaled by a Code “X” flag and one blast of the horn. The committee will hail the sail number(s) of premature starters. Whether or not hail is heard, responsibility for starting properly rests with the skipper.
- 8. General Recall** will be signaled by display of Code Flag “First Substitute” and two guns. Warning signal will replace the signal one minute after it is lowered (one sound of horn will accompany the lowering of the signal).
- 9. Penalties:** For mark and competitor infringements to the rules, a one penalty turn will be used to exonerate the guilty party. Refer to RRS 44.2 and substitute one turn wherever a two turn penalty is mentioned. *If a competitor makes contact with the Committee boat and as a result of such contact, damage occurs to the Committee boat and/or injury is sustained by any of the Race Committee crew, the offending vessel shall immediately retire from the race. No penalty will be allowed.* (This modifies RRS Rule 44)
- 10. Finish:** The finish line will be between the orange flag on the Committee boat and the nearby mark of the course which may be either a government mark or a club mark.
- 11. Time Limit:** The first boat must cross the finish line within the times listed below. The Race Committee may call the race sooner at its discretion:

 - 2 hours – when two races are scheduled in a day**
 - 2 hours – when one race is scheduled in a day**

Any boat that finishes 45 minutes or more after the first boat has finished shall be scored as DNF. A minimum of ONE hour shall be allowed between the time of the last place finisher and the warning signal for a succeeding race, unless there have been back to back races agreed upon beforehand.
- 12. Protests:** A red flag must be flown before and after announcement to the Committee boat. Time limit for filing a written protest is 60 minutes after the Committee boat returns to the dock following the last race of the day. Time and location of the protest hearing will be posted on the official notice board. All protests shall be made in writing in a clear and comprehensive manner setting forth all details and names of witnesses. CBYRA protest forms can be found in the back of the Greenbook or in the CYC office. All involved parties shall report to the designated protest area and remain readily available.
- 13. Safety:** All canoes shall have a chase boat/tender with life jackets for each crew member. All canoes must have a life ring or throwable cushion with a rope attached. Any crew member who cannot swim must wear a life jacket. It is the sole responsibility of the owner and/or skipper that these requirements are met.

14. Scoring: The low point scoring system described in RRS Appendix A, will apply. A boat is considered registered for the 2018 season and will be scored in each race. If a boat does not compete in a regatta, she will be scored as DNC.

15. Trophies: The Trophy Awards Ceremony is scheduled for approximately 1400 on Sunday, Aug 19. Individual trophies will be presented to the first, second and third place canoes for the weekend. The first place canoe will have its name, etc., engraved on the 1938 Governor Hicks perpetual Trophy.