

Annapolis to Miles River Race

Saturday, 23 May 2015

Hosted by Miles River Yacht Club

Assisted by Eastport Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions (SIs), and any amendments thereto. In the event of conflict between the NoR and the SIs (or amendments thereto), the SIs as amended shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all competitors who register with the organizing authority and pay the entry fee prior to 1200 hours on Friday, 22 May 2015 (late fee applies after Wednesday, 20 May 2015)
- 2.2 All boats shall comply with their Class Rules.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors posted prior to the start of the race will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside, near the ground floor rear entryway doors adjacent to "Sparky" Shed" on Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) grounds. Notices to Competitors posted after racing has commenced, will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Commodore's Room at Miles River Yacht Club (MRYC). Notices may also be found on line at:

http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=10101.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from EYC flagpole, located on the waterside of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 90 minutes" in race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The schedule of events is:

Sat, May 23	~0900	Check In Boat on station
	0925	Warning signal for first class
- 6.2 Competitors shall rendezvous in the vicinity of CBYRA Annapolis Area Chart mark "X" (R2)

7 CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS, & ORDER OF START

The classes, class flags, and order of start will be defined in Amendment 1, which will be posted by 2000 hours on Thursday, 21 May 2015.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay, between the mouth of the Severn River and Miles River.

9 CHECK IN

Prior to a competitor's warning signal, competitors must check in at the "Race Committee Check-In" boat flying a large *yellow* flag stationed approximately 300 yards NW of the Race Committee Signal Boat. Please do not attempt to check in with the Signal Boat.

10 COURSE

COURSE 1: Annapolis Area Chart - round Bloody Point Light to port, "L" (G "1") to port, mark "F" (R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (16.8 nautical miles).

COURSE 2: Annapolis Area Chart - round mark "Q" (R "84A") to port, mark "F" (R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (20.2 nautical miles).

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between orange flag on the Signal Boat and Annapolis Area Chart mark "X" (R2), or alternative mark if the Signal Boat displays the "L" flag and moves to another location.

12 RECALLS

The Race Committee intends to hail the recall or sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal on VHF channel 71. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the timeliness of the hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1.

13 THE FINISH – both courses

Unless the course is shortened, the finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Signal Boat and CBYRA Miles River and Eastern Bay Area Mark "H" (RN8). If necessary, the course will be shortened at a rounding mark in accordance with RRS 32.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

For one-design classes only, RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

15 TIME LIMIT

The time limit is eight (8) hours from the time of each boat's class start. Any boat that is still racing after that time shall be scored DNF (Did Not Finish).

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Boats intending to protest for an incident in the racing area shall inform the Race Committee when they finish, or via VHF channel 71 if/when they leave the racecourse without finishing, or via email at onecentrhine@gmail.com. This changes RRS 61.
- 16.2 Protests shall be filed at MRYC, in the Race Committee office ("Chart Room" off the main bar). For each class, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks. Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board at MRYC to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at MRYC beginning approximately thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit.

17 SAFETY

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible either by hail or on VHF channel 71 or via e-mail at onecentrhine@gmail.com.
- 17.2 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 17.3 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 18.2 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and RRS 61.3.
- 17.4 RRS 42.3 (Propulsion - Exceptions) is changed by adding: "(j) A boat that is unavoidably without way in a ship channel may use any means of propulsion to clear the channel at the approach of commercial traffic provided that, when becoming clear of the commercial traffic, the boat has not improved their position as a

result of this action. A boat claiming this exception shall report the incident in writing to the protest committee within the protest time limit, with all the facts necessary to substantiate the boat's speed and change of position during the incident."

- 17.5 RRS 62.1 (Redress) is changed by adding: "(e) clearing a ship channel in compliance with SI 19.4."

18 SCORING

The Low Point scoring system will apply.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions, other than communicating with the Race Committee on VHF channel 71, while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 19.2 RRS 41 (Outside Help) is modified such that monitoring VHF weather channels or Race Committee communications on VHF channel 71 does not break RRS 41.

20 DISPOSAL OF TRASH

This is a Clean Race; all competitors are encouraged not to use disposable water bottles. Racers should refrain from throwing trash in the water and recycle all appropriate items. Boats observed purposefully discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified or subject to other suitable disciplinary action, or both.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority or any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any responsibility or liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustain in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

22 INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.

23 SOCIAL

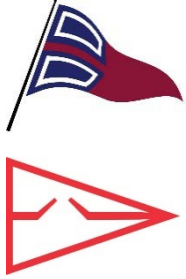
Skippers and their guests are invited to rendezvous at MRYC after the race. Live entertainment, food and drink will be featured on Saturday after the race.

24 OTHER

- 24.1 Additional information, including scratch sheets, shall be posted on the MRYC Website www.milesriveryc.org when available.
- 24.2 Docking: Slips are available on a first come first served basis at \$40 per slip plus electricity if used. Contact MRYC on VHF channel 68 as you approach Long Haul Creek.
- 24.3 Rafting: The rafting off the pier T-heads is free. There is also free rafting in the Club's West basin for boats drawing four feet or less. Please follow rafting instructions from the club patrol boat.
- 24.4 Tender Service: For boats wishing to anchor in or near Long Haul Creek, tender service will be available on Saturday from race finish to midnight. On Sunday, tender service will begin at 0645 and end at 1000.
- 24.5 Food/Drink: A la carte food options will be available on the lawn or inside the Club starting after the racing concludes. Tables for dining will be available on the lawn and inside the Club. Ice will be available for racers from arrival to departure. Breakfast will be served Sunday 24 May 2015 starting at 0700 for \$9. Please remember that alcoholic beverages may not be brought onto, or

taken from the MRYC grounds (liquor license issues).

- 24.6 Club Access: MRYC is committed to make visiting sailors feel safe and welcome at our Club. All Club facilities will be available to visiting sailors. The pool will be open, so bring your bathing suit. Children 14 and under must be supervised by an adult when in the pool area.
- 24.7 Showers/Rest Rooms: Showers and restrooms in the Club and Pool house will be open all weekend. However, because our septic system has limited capacity, we ask our visitors to help us and use the portable facilities on the grounds to the extent possible.
- 24.8 No Camping: Please note that overnight camping (e.g. tents, campers, trailers, RVs) on the MRYC grounds is illegal due to Talbot County zoning restrictions. Sleeping on your boat is always welcome.
- 24.9 Parking: Racers and guests may park in the Club field on Friday and Saturday. Please do not block the boat wash-down areas.
- 24.10 Bus Transportation to and from Annapolis: Buses will depart from the Miles River Yacht Club headed for Annapolis for people who want to return home. Buses will also depart Annapolis headed for MRYC for people who want get to the Club. The cost will be \$25 per person each way. Additional details will be posted on www.milesriveryc.org.



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Amendment #1

Sailing Instruction paragraph 7 is replaced with the following.

7 ORDER OF START, CLASSES, & CLASS FLAGS

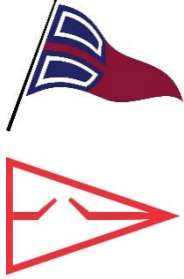
<u>Start Order</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
1.	Cruising	White
2.	Cal 25	"T"
3.	Alberg 30	"G"
4.	J/24	"H"
5.	J/80	"J"
6.	PHRF N	"5"
7.	Multihull B	"F"
8.	Beach Cats	Beach Cat
9.	J/30	"D"
10.	PHRF C	"7"
11.	Multihull A	"W"
12.	PHRF B	"6"
13.	J/105	"V"
14.	PHRF A2	"2"
15.	J/35	"K"
16.	PHRF A0/1	"0" & "9"

Other:

Please note Bus transportation is changed.

Buses will leave MRYC at 7:00 and 9:30 to Bay Ridge Giant parking Lot.

There will be no bus from Annapolis to MRYC.



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Amendment #2

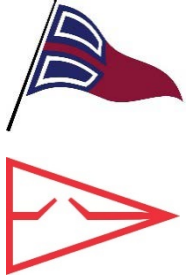
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4.	J/24	"H"
5.	J/80	"J"
6.	PHRF N	"5"
7.	Multihull B	"F"
8.	J/30	"D"
9.	PHRF C	"7"
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11.	PHRF B	"6"
12.	J/105	"V"
13.	PHRF A2	"2"
14.	J/35	"K"
15.	PHRF A0/1	"0" & "9"
16.	Beach Cats	Beach Cat

Note: Beach Cats will sail Course #2 – change from Notice of Race.

COURSE 2: Annapolis Area Chart - round mark "Q" (R "84A") to port, mark "F" (R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (20.2 nautical miles).



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Amendment #3

Final Start order and Classes: (PLEASE NOTE combined class starts)

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<u>Start Order</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
1.	Cruising	White
2.	Cal 25	"T"
2.	Alberg 30	"G"
3.	J/24	"H"
4.	PHRF N	"5"
5.	Multihull B	"F"
6.	J/30	"D"
7.	PHRF C	"7"
8.	Multihull A	"W"
9.	PHRF B	"6"
10.	J/105	"V"
11.	PHRF A2	"2"
12.	J/35	"K"
12.	PHRF A0/1	"O" & "9"
13.	Beach Cats	Beach Cat

Note: Beach Cats will sail Course #2 – change from Notice of Race.

COURSE 2: Annapolis Area Chart - round mark "Q" (R "84A") to port, mark "F" (8R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (20.2 nautical miles).