# Holmes Hole Sailing Association 2017 Annual George Moffett Race

# NOTICE OF RACE

# 1. RULES

The fortieth Annual George Moffett Race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* and the Sailing Instructions.

# 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Boats of 19' in length and greater may enter by either:

- Mailing a completed entry form to HHSA, c/o Wendell Colson, PO Box 2263, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557 by Friday September 1, 2017
- Completing an online entry form and payment available from the Holmes Hole Sailing Association website www.holmeshole.org by Monday, September 4 at 23:59.

#### 3. FEES

The entry fee is \$40 for all entrants, payable to Holmes Hole Sailing Association.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

- Mailed in entries must be received by Friday, September 1, 2017
- The online registration must be completed by 23:59 Monday, September 4, 2017
- The Competitors Meeting is at 1700 hours on Friday, September 8, 2017
- The Moffett Race will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2017 for registrants whose entry form and payment is received no later than September 4, 2017 at 23:59. First warning signal will be at 1110 hours.
- If weather forces postponement, Sunday, September 10, 2017 will be the make-up day.
- The Awards Ceremony will be at 1700 hours at Vineyard Haven Yacht Club after the race.

## 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the HHSA website <u>www.holmeshole.org</u> by 0900 hours on Friday, September 8, 2017 and will be available at the Skippers' Meeting.

# 6. THE COURSES

The courses will be between 10 and 22 nautical miles in length and will be in either Vineyard Sound or Nantucket Sound. The start will be in Vineyard Haven Outer Harbor off Eastville. Course descriptions will be in the sailing instructions. Course schematics will be available on the website by 0900 hours on Friday September 8, 2017 and at the skippers meeting in limited quantities.

#### 7. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rules 44.1 and 44.2 One and Two Turn Penalties shall will apply.

# 8. SCORING

Scoring is based on the Holmes Hole Sailing Association Moffett handicap system, a Time on Distance based system.

# 9. PRIZES

The Moffett Trophy will be awarded to that vessel with the best corrected time, overall.

#### 10. DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the Moffett Race entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, its members, agents, employees or representatives nor the Race Committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event, and will not provide emergency towing or rescue vessels or services in connection with the race.

# 11. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

Holmes Hole Sailing Association reserves the right to amend this notice. Any amendments of this notice will be posted on the Holmes Hole Sailing Association website and notices sent to all boats registered at that time. All amendments will be posted on the Holmes Hole Sailing Association <a href="https://www.holmeshole.org">www.holmeshole.org</a>

2017 Moffett Entry forms, and a listing of past winners are all available on the Holmes Hole Sailing Association website: <a href="www.holmeshole.org">www.holmeshole.org</a> or by contacting Mo Flam at 508-687-9479 or <a href="moffett@holmeshole.org">moffett@holmeshole.org</a>.