



2021 Montana Sailing Championships & Montana Cup Regatta

August 6-8, 2021

North Flathead Yacht Club

Flathead Lake, Somers, Montana

NOTICE OF RACE

North Flathead Yacht Club is pleased to announce the 44th Annual Montana Cup Regatta. Come enjoy two days of racing and camaraderie at one of the best places to sail in the Northwest sponsored by both Big Sky Yachts and Hammer Nutrition.

Come enjoy time with friends both old and new in one of the most beautiful settings available. We will have dinner and live music featuring Haliday Quist on the lawn Saturday Evening, lawn games, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and stories by the fire.

Once again, in addition to the PHRF and One Design Fleets, we will be having a Cruising Fleet which will race in one long distance race each day. For those who have participated the last couple years, they have found it to be a wonderful weekend of laid back racing.

The Montana Cup Regatta & State Sailing Championships was established by the Canyon Ferry Yacht Club in 1977 for the purpose of promoting and recognizing team racing in Montana, the Regatta now draws competitors from across the State & the Greater Pacific Northwest region.

North Flathead Yacht Club is committed to hosting a green regatta and we have some reusable utensils, but supply is limited; please bring your own dishes, cups and water bottles. This years' regatta will be supported by Hammer Nutrition with a water bottle fill station each morning so please help us reduce our footprint and BYOB (bring your own bottle).

To get to the club from downtown Somers, turn south at Del's Bar and follow Leslie Avenue past the VFD and Classic Company Boatworks. Keep going through the gates –marked NFYC--and horsepasture. You'll find us hidden at the end of the road.

If you are transporting a boat from out of the area please ensure that it is thoroughly cleaned, drained, and dried, and be sure to stop at all watercraft check stations. Due to the heightened threat of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS), visitors must now document AIS Inspection clearance as a prerequisite for Regatta Eligibility and use of NFYC launch and dock facilities. For questions, please refer to <https://fwp.mt.gov/conservation/aquatic-invasive-species>. The most convenient location to the club is Jesco Marine. DO NOT LAUNCH prior to showing proof of clearance.

Upon your arrival, please check in with Port Captain George Michaels, or his representative, for slip and trailer assignments. You may then be directed toward registration, the mast lift, the trailer extension, and an appropriate launch ramp.

On-site camping is encouraged during the Regatta, although a variety of accommodations can be found within a few minutes' drive. Club amenities include shaded picnic areas, covered grilling and dining areas, sinks, ice, Wi-Fi, fire pit, and restrooms with showers. If you plan to come early or stay late, which I strongly recommend, we will attempt to accommodate you and your boat. Pets are discouraged during this regatta.

I sincerely hope you will join us for a great weekend of racing in Northwest Montana. If you have any questions or are looking for a boat to crew on please feel free to reach out to me directly at nfycvice@gmail.com. See you all very soon!

Steve Krause | NFYC Vice Commodore of Racing



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1 HOST CLUB

- 1.1** North Flathead Yacht Club, Somers, Montana will be the host club and organizing authority for the Montana Sailing Championship.

2 RULES

- 2.1** The regatta will be governed by the current US Sailing: Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024
- 2.2** Prescriptions of PHRF, the Sailing Instructions and all amendments thereto, will apply.
- 2.3** The PHRF handicap number assigned to each boat for racing will be the base number as determined by the NFYC PHRF Committee.
- To gain an adjustment for sailing without a spinnaker or undersized head sail competitors must declare so at registration. An adjusted handicap will then be assigned for use during the entire regatta. Having done so, if a spinnaker is flown that competitor will be scored DSQ.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all displacement and non-displacement boats.
- 3.2** There may be up to five fleets for displacement boats and one fleet for non-displacement boats. There will be one fleet for the cruising class.
- 3.3** Fleets will be determined by quantity and type of yachts entered. Fleets with a minimum of five one-design boats registered may be given their own start and fleet at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.4** Eligible boats may enter by going to the NFYC website www.nfyc.org and following the link for Montana Cup online registration.
- Registration may also be completed by filling out the attached form and sending it, together with proof of insurance and the required fee, to North Flathead Yacht Club; P.O. Box 208; Somers, MT 59932 by July 30, 2021. Registration may also be completed
- 3.5** Late entries will be accepted at a higher fee until 7PM the Friday, August 6th 2021.



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4 FEES

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

4.1.1 Registration postmarked on or received before Friday, July 30, 2021:

- \$120 - Small Crew Entry Fee – Includes: 2 meal tickets, 2 Beer Cups, Breakfast both days
- \$150 - Large Crew Entry Fee – Includes: 4 meal tickets, 4 Beer Cups, Breakfast both days

4.1.2 Late Registration—received after July 30th 2021 will be charged an additional \$20 Late Registration fee.

4.2 Other fees:

4.2.1 Additional Dinner tickets for Saturday night: \$20 per person

4.2.2 Montana Cup T-Shirts will be available for pre-order and purchase at the event

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 Friday, August 6th, 2021 (practice race – not scored for regatta)

4:00 to 6:00 pm - Registration

6:00 pm - Competitor's Meeting

7:00 pm - Practice Race Warning Signal

5.2 Saturday, August 7, 2021

7:00 am - Competitor's Meeting

8:00 am - On Course Race Warning Signal

*No Race Will Start After 4:00pm

Approximately 4:00 - 7:00pm - Dinner Available to order from Island Noodle

5.3 Sunday, August 8, 2020

7:30 am - On Course Race Warning Signal

*No Race Will Start After 1:00 pm

**Awards Ceremony after Racing



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6 MEASUREMENTS

6.1 Each boat shall report a rating according to the Northern Rockies Sailing Association procedures or the North Flathead Yacht Club uses the value as shown in the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) guidelines.

6.2 PHRF Guidelines can be viewed here:

<https://phrf-nw.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Yacht-Data-052721.xls>

If your boat is not shown in the Handicaps, please contact the NFYC Vice Commodore of Racing by email at nfycvice@gmail.com.

6.3 Sails may be measured at the discretion of the race committee.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing instructions will be posted on the NFYC website: www.nfyc.org and will also be available at registration.

8 VENUE

8.1 NFYC and the north end of Flathead Lake, Montana.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 Fleets A-D: The courses will be windward / leeward

9.2 Cruiser Fleet: The courses will consist of a distance race using set marks

10 BERTHING

10.1 North Flathead Yacht Club boats are assigned moorage at the North Flathead Yacht Club docks. Visiting boats shall be assigned a slip by the Port Captain if requested and shall stay in the assigned moorage. Portsmouth boats may be stored on trailers in the parking area between races.



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11 SCORING

11.1 The scoring system is as follows: Low-point scoring system.

11.2 One completed race constitutes a series. When fewer than Six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. For fleets completing Six or more races, each boat's worst score will be excluded from her series score. Scores for Disqualification are not excludable.

12 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three finishers in each fleet. The MontanaCup will be awarded to the club with the total highest point per theMontana Cup Deed of Gift.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13 INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000. Proof of insurance may be required.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 For further information, please see the club website; www.nfyc.org, or contact Steve Krause, Vice Commodore of Racing, at nfycvice@gmail.com



2021 Montana Sailing Championships & The Montana Cup Regatta Entry Form

Boat Name

Boat type

Sail Number

Helmsperson

Email

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Home Yacht Club

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- I support NFYC's efforts to help prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) and agree to comply with pertinent State regulations. I understand that vessels traveling from outside the Flathead River Basin will be required to document AIS Inspection Clearance **prior** to use of NFYC launch and dock facilities and/or participation in the regatta. For questions, please refer to: <https://fwp.mt.gov/conservation/aquatic-invasive-species> .
 - I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. I agree to hold the officers, employees and members of the organizing authority, and regatta sponsors, harmless from any liability related to this event.

Signature of boat owner:

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Entry Fee

	\$120	Includes two Saturday meal tickets, continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday and 2 beer cups for the weekend if received on or before Friday, July 30, 2021
	\$150	Includes four Saturday meal tickets, continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday and four beer cups if received before Friday, July 30, 2021.
	\$20	Late entry fee (entries received after Friday, July 30, 2021
X	\$20 ea	Additional Saturday Dinner Tickets
	\$	TOTAL

NOTICE: NFYC does **NOT** accept Credit Cards.

Cash or Check only.