

2021 FRAN GRAHAM FALL RACING SERIES



WESTHAMPTON YACHT SQUADRON
Remsenburg, NY 11960

September 12, 2021 to
October 24, 2021
(No race October 10, 2021)
No Rain Date



NOTICE OF RACE

(Revised August 22, 21)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Westhampton Yacht Squadron (WYS) is the Organizing Authority for this race. The WYS is located at 9 Yacht Club Drive (formerly New Street, at the foot of Shore Road), Remsenburg, New York 11960. The WYS website is www.yachtsquadron.com.
- 1.2 The Fall Series Race at the Westhampton Yacht Squadron shall consist of races on six (6) Sunday afternoons commencing Sunday, September 12, 2021 and concluding on Sunday October 24, 2021, except there will be no racing on Sunday October 10, 2021.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The races will be governed by “*The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions*” (“RRS”), except as changed by this Notice or the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 As permitted by Rule 86 of the RRS, Rule 44.1 will be changed by requiring only one penalty turn under any circumstances covered by Rule 44.1.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Sailing Instruction will be available on the online Official Bulletin Board no later than 6:00 PM on September 11, 2021.
- 3.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official WYS Notice Board by 09:00 AM on the day it will take effect. Oral instructions may be given on the water, as necessary, with a loud hailer from the Race Committee boat or by an official support boat, as permitted by RRS 90.2(c).

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The online official notice board may be found on the Club Website or at the following link:

[Official Bulletin Board](#)

- 4.2 All boats may carry a VHF capable radio and/or a cell phone.
- 4.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

5. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & REGISTRATION

- 5.1 The races are open to all eligible boats of the Sunfish (open & novice), Laser, 420, JY15 and Optimist (Red, Blue, White or Green Fleet) classes. Eligible boats are entered in the series upon full completion of registration and payment of the applicable fee. Registration must be made by completing the online form on RegattaNetwork.com using the following link:

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23124>

- 5.2 All participants are subject to the COVID-19 rules and policies required by the State of New York and/or established by the WYS at the time of any of the races.
- 5.3 As part of the on-line registration process for this series all participants will be required to agree to a COVID- 19 Waiver of Liability executed on-line as part of the registration process.
- 5.4 All participants, 12 years of age and younger, and all other unvaccinated individuals, will be required to wear a COVID compliant mask while ashore and on the WYS grounds.
- 5.5 The skipper of each boat **MUST** be a member of US Sailing www.ussailing.org or associated with a US Sailing Club.
- 5.6 Boats who participate but who have failed to properly and completely register as required above prior to participating will be scored DNC for the day without a hearing (this changes RRS 63.1).
- 5.7 Sunfish designation as open or novice will be self-selected by the registrant, subject to re-designation by the Race Committee following the second week of racing.
- 5.8 Competitors are to sail in the boat in which they are registered. Any changes must be approved by the WYS Race Committee before racing.
- 5.9 With permission of the Race Committee, sailors not meeting the eligibility requirements of this paragraph may sail for some or all of this series. Such invitees shall NOT be scored in the series but must comply with all COVID protocols including the execution of the Club's COVID waiver. This changes RRS A2.2.

5.10 The Organizing Authority preserves the right, pursuant to RRS 76, to exclude boats or competitors under the circumstances provided for therein.

6. FEES

6.1 The entry fee per boat for the Fall Series is as follows:

	WYS Members	Other Competitors
Sunfish	\$60	\$80
420s	\$60	\$80
Optimists	\$60	\$80
JY15	\$60	\$80
Lasers	\$60	\$80

7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area is on Moriches Bay both East and west of WYS in the vicinity of Seatuck Cove.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The courses to be used during this series will be posted on the Club Website prior to the commencement of the series and can be found at:

Course Diagrams

The course or courses to be used on any given race day will be announced and reviewed at the Skippers meeting.

8.2 Racing will be held on two separate courses, one for each division:

- **Division 1:** Sunfish - Open & Novice, 420's, JY15, Lasers
- **Division 2:** Optimists – Red/White/Blue and Green Fleets

9. SCHEDULE OF RACES

9.1 Each racing day should include from three (3) to five (5) races but may be more or less depending on conditions and other factors.

9.2 Racers must check in with the Race Committee boat on the water prior to the first race each day. If leaving the race area, racers must communicate that information to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

9.3 The Fall Series will consist of races on the following dates and times:

- **Sunday, September 12th**

- Skippers' meeting at 12:30 pm
 - Start at 1:30 pm
 - No race will begin after 3:30 PM.
- **Sundays – September 19th and 26th and October 3th, 17th & 24th.**
 - Skippers' meeting for Opti at 11:30 AM
 - Opti races start at 12:30 PM
 - No Opti race will begin after 3:00 PM
 - Skippers meeting for Sunfish, Laser, 420, JY at 12:30 PM
 - Sunfish, JY, Laser, 420 races start at 1:30 PM
 - No Sunfish, JY, Laser, or 420 race will begin after 4:00 PM

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply as modified. As this is a series, RRS A5.3 of Appendix A shall be applied to the scoring. This modifies RSS A5.2.
- 10.2 A competitor must sail 50% of the Fall Series races to have scores counted for the Fall Series Championship. There will one (1) throw-out race allowed for every six (6) races sailed. This changes RSS A2.1.
- 10.3 Provided the Race Committee Chairman is informed ahead of time, in writing or by email (providing the date and time of the away race, the Organizing Authority of same, the class of boat to be sailed and the capacity in which the away sailor will be sailing), any competitor registered in this Fall Series can race in a recognized Regatta and miss a regular Sunday race at WYS and receive a score other than DNC for the day missed. The scores for the Series races on the missed race day will be determined at the end of the season and will be based on an average of the competitor's scores in Fall Series for all races sailed at WYS during the Series. In addition, the away race must be a race in which the away competitor competes in the same class and capacity (i.e. skipper, crew, etc.) as they are racing in the WYS Series. This option may be exercised only one weekend during the Fall Series.
- 10.4 Any boat not properly registered in accordance with Para. 5 above will be scored DNC for any days such improper registration persists.
- 10.5 Any boat failing to race in 50% of the races actually held during this series will be removed from the scoring prior to such scoring.

11. SAFETY

- 11.1 All competitors must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type III or Type V Personal Flotation Device (PFD) at all times on the water.

12. AWARDS

- 12.1 At the end of the series (at the Fall Series Awards Dinner-Saturday November 6, 2021), trophies will be presented to the top three (3) finisher in each class of boat that participated.
- 12.2 The Bob Rice Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the WYS Sunfish Open Division Member with the Best Score for the races held on the first Sunday in October (October 3rd, 2021). WYS Sunfish novice are eligible for the Bob Rice Memorial Trophy if they have the lowest score for the day when scored with the WYS Open fleet, they must be a WYS member.
- 12.3 The Sailaction Trophy will be awarded to the 420 skipper and crew, all of whom must be WYS members, who do not turn age 19 before the end of the 2021 calendar year, with the best score (with no throw-out race) for the races held on the first Sunday race day in October (October 3rd, 2020).
- 12.4 WYS Perpetual Trophies will also be awarded. Non-WYS club member shall not be eligible for any of the club based Perpetual Trophies.
- 12.5 Due to COVID-19 limitations only award winners and a limited number of guests will be invited to the Fall Series Awards Dinner, to be held in November 6, 2021. After you receive an invitation, reservations for the Awards Dinner must be made by calling WYS at (631)325-8321 or sending an email to email@yachtsquadron.com.

13. USE OF CLUB BOATS

- 13.1 There are a limited number of WYS owned “club boats” available for use by **WYS club members, only**, during the fall series. The use is subject to the Club Boat Use Policy. In order to use a “club boat”, a reservation must be made by contacting the Sailing Director (Jim Schultz; cptjim3@aol.com) or the Head Sailing Instructor (John Zambriski; wyscoachjohn@yahoo.com) or the Sunfish Fleet Captain (Suzanne K. Hulme; SKHulme@optonline.net)

14. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY - Competitors in this Series are bound by “The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 Including US Sailing Prescriptions” and all other rules that govern this event and assume full responsibility for starting or continuing to race – see RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, host club and/or personnel conducting this event will not accept liability for material damages or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.**

15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – Contact WYS at (631) 325-8321 or by email to email@yachtsquadron.com.