

THE 2022 NYRA INVITATIONAL REGATTA

March 26-27, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

The Neuse Yacht Racing Association, with assistance from Blackbeard Sailing Club, is the Organizing Authority for this regatta.

1 RULES:

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing; the prescriptions of USSailing; the N.C. Wildlife Commission; and U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations.
- 1.2 NYRA encourages safe COVID practices by all participants.

2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY:

1. The race is open to boats holding a current NC-PHRF Rating Certificate. A NC-PHRF Rating Request form is available at www.ncphrf.com
- 2.2 Racing will be conducted for Spinnaker, Non-spinnaker, multi-hulls, and Cruising boats.
 - 2.2.1 The following criteria applies to Cruising boats:
 - (a) no spinnakers are permitted;
 - (b) powered winches and auto-pilots are permitted;
 - (c) boats must not have been specifically designed for racing;
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form online at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24288#_home, and paying the required fees to NYRA by 1930 on March 20th. Late entries, subject to an additional late fee) may be accepted via online registration until 1930 on March 24th.

3 FEES

Fees for competing and social event are described on the Registration Form attached hereto.

4 RACING FORMAT & CLASSES

- 4.1 Classes are offered for spinnaker, non-spinnaker, cruising, and multi-hull boats.
 - 4.1.1 A minimum of three boats will constitute a class.
 - 4.1.2 Depending on the number of entries, classes may be divided based on PHRF ratings.
- 4.2 Spinnaker, non-spinnaker, and multi-hull classes will sail either windward/leeward or triangle courses on Saturday.
 - 4.2.1 as many as 3 races may be run.
- 4.3 The cruising class will sail 1 medium distance race with modified pursuit starts on Saturday.
 - 4.3.1 Boats will be divided into rating bands each of which will have its own start.
- 4.4 Sunday racing will be "pursuit style" for all boats wherein a boat's handicap is pre-applied.
 - 4.4.1 Rule 26 will apply to the first start only.
 - 4.4.2 Subsequent start times will be determined by the length of the course and each boat's PHRF handicap. This changes rule 26.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Saturday March 26

1055 – First signal for cruising class

1120 – First signal for spinnaker, non-spinnaker, and multihull classes

1800 – Shore Party and Annual Awards Ceremony at Lawson’s on the Creek, at the NC History Center (catered by a Pinch of Love Catering) This social will serve as NYRA’s annual awards ceremony, with awards for Boat of the Year, Crew of the Year, and Sportsman of the Year, as well as recognition of the winners of the 2021-22 Winter Series Regatta

Sunday March 27

1055 - First signal

Awards presentation at BSC as soon as practicable after racing.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be available at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24288#_home on or about March 20.

7 VENUE

7.1 Racing will be conducted on the Neuse River off Broad Creek in vicinity of markers 17/19/2

7.2 Social event Saturday at Lawson’s on the Creek, History Center, 529 S Front Street, New Bern, NC

7.3 Overnight docking at BSC may be available. Contact bod@nyra.org for information.

8 COURSES:

Courses to be sailed will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

9 SCORING:

9.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply.

9.2 Corrected times will be determined using time-on-time calculation.

9.3 On Sunday, finish order determines finish place.

9.4 One completed race will constitute the regatta.

10 COMMUNICATION:

10.1 The “Official Notice Board” will be the event page on www.regattanetwork.com/nyra_noticeboard.

10.2 The race committee will monitor and broadcast on VHF Channel 78A.

11 PRIZES:

Prizes will be awarded based on numbers of entries in each class and for overall in each fleet.

12 INSURANCE, SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

12.1 Each participating boat must be insured with a valid third-party liability policy.

12.2 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. 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 race.

12.3 The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper, who shall ensure that the boat is entirely sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations nor inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.

REGISTRATION

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Register online - link may be found at <https://www.nyra.org> (under the "Race Registration" tab)

Registration fee \$30.00 _____
Late Fee (after 1930 on March 20th) \$15.00 _____
Discount for members of US Sailing – *Member Number* _____ (-\$5.00) _____
Discount for members of NYRA (-\$5.00) _____
Donation to the Edward Teach Youth Sailing Association \$. _____
Meal tickets at Lawson's on the Creek (\$30x. _____) _____

If paying by check, please Make check payable to NYRA Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Skipper _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Boat Make _____ Length _____ PHRF Rating _____

Sail Number (*required*) _____ Boat Name _____

Spinnaker _____ Non-spinnaker _____ Cruising _____ Multi-Hull _____

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DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and shall be adequately self-insured or covered by third party insurance. 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 each day's racing. Each entrant accepts the fact that the safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper, who shall ensure that the boat is entirely sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations nor inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.