

**2023 Octoberfest Regatta**  
*Percy Priest Yacht Club*  
*Saturday September 30, 2023*  
*Hamilton Creek Marina, Percy Priest Lake*

**Notice of Race (NoR)**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore RRS Race Signals is changed to read "The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after removal unless the race is postponed again or abandoned."
- 1.4 For distance courses only-RRS 32.2 is changed to "If the race committee signals a shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds), the finishing line shall be between a staff displaying flag "S" (shortened course signal flag) on a race committee boat end and the new finishing mark at the other end." This new finish line will be within a leg of the existing course. Buoy courses will be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2
- 1.5 RRS A2.1 1st sentence is changed to read "Each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores ." (No throw outs)
- 1.6 Boats in the non-spinnaker fleet failing to finish by 15:00 hours and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points. No score shall be greater than DSQ. (This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10)
- 1.7 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes or amendments will be dated and posted online no later than September 27, 2023, at

<https://ppyc.clubexpress.com>. Click on the "Octoberfest" in the "Upcoming Events" list. Copies of this NoR and the SI (**including any final changes**) for this regatta will be posted on the official notice board no later than 0900, September 30, 2023.

- 2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by hailing competitors on VHF channel 68

### 3 **COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on the club house windows overlooking the docks at Hamilton Creek Marina (North side of building).
- 3.2 [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 68, 69, 72.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to hear or understand a broadcast will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.4 [NP] [While racing][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.

### 4 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta will be open to all cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with PPYC. Each boat must have a PPYC assigned PHRF handicap rating to be considered fully registered.
- 4.2 **Classes** are defined as follows:

**Non-Spinnaker**- PHRF boats that have a PPYC assigned non-spinnaker PHRF rating

**Spinnaker**- PHRF boats that have a PPYC assigned spinnaker PHRF rating.

- 4.3 The Regatta Committee may combine, split or assign boats to classes at its sole discretion.
- 4.4 One-design cruisers will sail in the appropriate PHRF class. There are no separate one-design classes for this regatta.
- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, by 0800, Saturday 9/30/23. There will be no onsite registration.

- 4.6 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. This includes the required DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER (may be viewed and downloaded on the event website).

## 5 **FEES**

- 5.1 Registration Fee: \$45 plus applicable sales tax
- 5.2 Early Registration Discount: \$10 discount if registered by midnight, Tuesday, September 26, 2023
- 5.3 A \$5.00 discount is available for US Sailing members. Proof of membership is required for discount

- 6 **SCHEDULE** All events take place on Saturday September 30, 2023. If abandonment, due to weather, is announced before the completion of the first race, the regatta may be completed on Sunday October 1, 2023, using the same schedule below for all boats registered by the cutoff time on 9/30/2023

- 6.1 0800- Registration: All registrations are now required online via the PPYC website. Cutoff time is 0800 on 9/30/2023.
- 6.2 0900-Waivers are required by 0900. If incomplete, the boat will not be scored.
- 6.3 1000- Competitor's Meeting will be conducted on the club house deck
- 6.4 1100- Warning signal for first race
- 6.5 Subsequent races to follow. The intent is to race a minimum of 3 spinnaker fleet buoy races and 1 distance race for the non-spinnaker fleet
- 6.6 Awards presentation will be as soon as possible after the last race. The location will be on the club house deck

## 7.0 **COURSES**

- 7.1 The courses will be distance courses for those skippers electing to sail in the non-spinnaker fleet. The skippers electing to sail in the spinnaker fleet will race windward leeward buoy courses. Possible course descriptions and diagrams will be posted on the official notice board and attached to the Sailing Instruction as an addendum. Possible course descriptions and diagrams may be viewed at the event website.
- 7.2 Actual courses and course length will be determined by the Race Committee based on the sailing conditions.

- 7.3 All starting sequences will be standard RRS rule 26 starts. This means "Regatta" starts with all boats in a class starting together as opposed to "Pursuit" starts that are used for Wednesday Night Races and some other PPYC regattas.

## 8 **SCORING**

- 8.1 PHRF time on time handicaps will be used to adjust actual time to corrected time.
- 8.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will be used with the changes noted in Rules paragraphs of this NoR.
- 8.2 Only one completed race is required to constitute the regatta series for each class
- 8.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded)
- 8.4 Rule A5.3 applies.
- 8.5 Boats in the non-spinnaker fleet failing to finish by 15:00 hours and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points. No score shall be greater than DSQ. (This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10)

## 9 **PRIZES**

- 9.1 Prizes will be given as follows:
- i.* A class with 5 or fewer registrants will receive 1st and 2nd place trophies
  - ii.* A class with greater than 5 registrants will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies

## 10 **RISK STATEMENT-DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER**

- 10.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone". Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Percy Priest Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Competitors agree that the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any

boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the regatta, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.

11 **INSURANCE**

11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured by its owner with valid third-party liability insurance.

12 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

12.1 For further information please contact: Director  
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Regatta Chair-Sam Beckman [sambeckman@netscape.net](mailto:sambeckman@netscape.net)