



Blackbeard Regatta

Notice of Race

September 16-17, 2023

Blackbeard Sailing Club (BSC), New Bern, NC is the Organizing Authority (OA) and venue host for the regatta.

**This regatta is a fundraiser for the
Edward Teach Youth Sailing Association (ETYSA)**

We encourage inviting an ETYSA youth sailor to join your crew for this event.
Contact Jill Fidgeon 919-606-6494.

1 RULES:

- 1.1 The event will be governed by: the current Racing Rules of Sailing; the prescriptions of US Sailing; the rules of the NC Wildlife Commission; and the Safety Regulations of the US Coast Guard.
- 1.2 Penalties:
 - 1.2.1 Section V1 of RRS Appendix V Alternative Penalties applies.
 - 1.2.2 Sections T2, T3, & T4 of RRS Appendix T Arbitration apply.
- 1.3 Cruising Fleet entrants must adhere to the "Rules Governing Cruising Fleet Boats for ICRC Races" (Attachment 1).
- 1.4 RRS 26 is changed for the Cruising Fleet - starts shall be "modified pursuit".

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 2.1 The event is open to all sailboats holding a valid NC PHRF certificate.
- 2.2 Racing will be conducted for Spinnaker, Non-spinnaker, Cruising and Multi-hull classes. Depending on the number of entries, classes may be divided based on rating.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting the required fee at www.regattanetwork.com/event/26905 by **2000 on Sunday, September 10, 2023**. Late entries may be accepted until 1800 on Thursday, September 14th for an additional fee.

3 FEES:

- 3.1 The entry fee for all classes is \$75.00, with a \$5.00 discount for US Sailing members. A late fee of \$25.00 is added to entries submitted after 2000 on September 10, 2022.
- 3.2 One entry fee includes one ticket for Saturday evening dinner and Sunday morning continental breakfast. Additional meal tickets may be purchased at the time of registration at a cost of \$20.00/each.

4 VENUE:

- 4.1 Race Headquarters and social events will be at Blackbeard Sailing Club.
- 4.2 Racing will be on the Neuse River in the vicinity of Upper Broad Creek.

5 SCHEDULE:

Saturday, September 16

- 0930:** Competitors' meeting on the deck at BSC.
- 1125:** First Signal for first race. More races to follow as conditions permit.
- 1530:** No races will be started after this time.
- 1800:** Dinner at BSC clubhouse BYOB.

Sunday, September 17

- 0745:** Continental breakfast available at BSC clubhouse.
 - 0955:** First signal. More races to follow as conditions permit.
 - 1230:** No races will be started after this time.
- Awards ceremony as soon as practicable after racing at the BSC clubhouse.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The sailing instructions will be posted on Regatta Network at www.regattanetwork.com/event/26905 no later than 2000 Friday, September 15, 2023 and on the courtesy notice board located on the windows facing the front deck at Blackbeard Sailing Club by 0800 on Saturday, September 16, 2023.

7 COURSES:

- 7.1 Courses for Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker classes will be Windward/Leeward around set marks to be defined in the sailing instructions.
- 7.2 The courses for Cruising and Multihull Classes will be medium distance around government marks with a "modified pursuit" start to be defined in the sailing instructions.

8 SCORING:

- 8.1 Low point scoring as described in Appendix A of the RRS applies.
- 8.2 Corrected times will be determined using time-on-time calculation.
- 8.3 If 5 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 8.4 One completed race will constitute the regatta.

9 PRIZES:

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

10 BERTHING:

A limited number of slips may be available for overnight dockage. Please contact Ron Leo for more information 252-665-0572 or docks@ronleo.com.

11 INSURANCE, SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

11.1 Each participating boat must be insured with an adequate valid third-party liability policy.

11.2 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

12 FURTHER INFORMATION:

Regatta Committee chairs: Joan Wilson sail_kitty@hotmail.com or 610-357-7476

Ed Thompson edthompson2@comcast.net or 609-685-4732

Accommodations: Limited camping is available at Blackbeard Sailing Club.
Contact Alan Hills 252-514-8525 for more information.

Camping may also be available at KOA/New Bern 252- 638-2556 or
info@newbernkoha.com.

Rentals of condos nearby may be available through Vacation Resorts International at 252-633-1151. There may also be hotels and B&Bs available in New Bern.

ATTACHMENT 1

RULES GOVERNING CRUISING FLEET BOATS FOR ICRC RACES

THE ICRC recognizes the need to make accommodation for boat owners who may not wish to maintain their boat at the performance level implied by a standard NC-PHRF certificate. These boats are welcome to race in the CRUISING FLEET. Therefore, the following guidelines are issued for these boats:

1. No boats specifically designed for racing are allowed.
2. Only Dacron sails are allowed. No spinnakers are allowed.
3. Powered winches are allowed.
4. A NC-PHRF rating for that specific boat must be issued.
5. Two of the four additional Cruising Class requirements will be met, based on the statements of the boat owner at the time of registration.
 - a. Windlass or pulpit mounted anchor
 - b. Dodger/Bimini in place
 - c. The youngest sail to be 5 years old or older
 - d. Bottom paint 3 years old or older