

# NOTICE OF RACE

## *The O.L. Shultz - Alive Hospice*

### *Regatta for Cruisers*

#### *April 13-14th, 2024*

**INVITATION** - Harbor Island Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend The O.L Shultz - Alive Hospice Regatta for Cruisers on Saturday, April 13th and Sunday April 14th, 2024 at Harbor Island Yacht Club on Old Hickory Lake in Old Hickory, TN.

**HISTORY** – The OL Shultz Alive Hospice Regattas were developed in 2013 as a partnership between Alive Hospice in Nashville, one of the oldest hospices in the country and Harbor Island Yacht Club. The event is one of 25 regional hospice regattas around the country to be part of the National Hospice Regatta Alliance. It is named in honor of former HIYC Commodore O. L. Shultz, who passed away in May 2013, and was served by Alive Hospice. The club's history is rich with the stories of O.L. and his beloved racing boat, "Respite", his trademark hat, and his special "basket-style" spinnaker rigging. The motto of the Regatta is "We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails".

#### **RULES**

1. The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. Changes to the following RRS sections will be made for this race: 29.1 (Individual Recall), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 42.3(h) (Propulsion-Exceptions), 61.1(a) (Informing the Protestee), 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A8 (Series Ties), A10 (Scoring Abbreviations), Race Signal AP (Postponement).
2. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
  - 2.1. Every boat must fly memorial burgees from their backstay (or if no backstay, then a shroud or topping lift) as a part of the event. These have been purchased through HIYC and Alive Hospice website invitations. They will be presented to skippers at the opening ceremonies and returned to our color guard at Closing Ceremonies on Sunday Afternoon. This requirement is supported by RRS 77 (Entering an Event)
  - 2.2. The regatta will be open to all cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with HIYC. Participants are strongly encouraged to register online in advance via [Regatta Network](#) or may enter the regatta by completing registration at the designated table in the clubhouse before the skippers' meeting.
  - 2.3. Each boat sailing in a handicap class must have an established PHRF rating that has been assigned by the HIYC-PHRF Committee. If your boat is not listed on the HIYC Ratings List, please contact Peter Bennett in advance of the event at [peterbennett500@gmail.com](mailto:peterbennett500@gmail.com) to obtain a PHRF rating.
3. **CLASSES** - The following classes are anticipated for this event.
  - 3.1. Heavy handicap class A: displacement 5000 and above, PHRF ratings of 145 or less, Spinnaker assumed.
  - 3.2. Heavy handicap class B: displacement 5000 and above, PHRF ratings 146 and greater. Spinnaker assumed, but may sail without spinnaker and take a 12 second allowance. The decision to sail without spinnaker remains in effect for the duration of the regatta.
  - 3.3. Light handicap class. Displacement is below 5000, Spinnaker assumed.
  - 3.4. C class: Jib and Main only.
  - 3.5. The Race Committee may combine or split classes at its sole discretion.
  - 3.6. If four (4) or more boats of the same design register in advance, the Race Committee at its discretion may elect to run a separate shorter course to allow the possibility of more than one race per day.
4. **FEES** – Registration fees, burgees, and donation opportunities available at [bit.ly/22olsahCruiser](https://bit.ly/22olsahCruiser).
5. **SCHEDULE**

#### **SATURDAY, April 13th, 2024**

8:00 am: Registration

9:30 am: Skippers Meeting, memorial burgee service and presentation to skippers.

***\*All skippers must attend the skippers meeting for burgee presentation!***

10:55 am: Warning Signal for First Race

Following Racing: "Boat-side Box Meals" provided for skippers and crew (registration includes 4 meals)

## SUNDAY, APRIL 14th, 2024

8:00 am: Check in under the clubhouse to pick up memorial burgees prior to racing.

9:55 am: Warning Signal

Trophy Presentation and Closing Ceremony for Heavy handicap A, Light, and C classes will follow racing.

*\*All skippers are asked to attend the closing ceremony!*

6. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions will be available at [bit.ly/22olsahCruiser](http://bit.ly/22olsahCruiser). Print copies will be posted on the official notice board and will be available at registration and throughout the event upon request.
7. **RACING**
  - 7.1. The racing will consist of a river distance course for all classes.
  - 7.2. One race will constitute a series.
  - 7.3. No races will be started in less than three (3) knots of sustained wind as determined by the Race Committee.
8. **THE SITE, RACING AREA AND COURSE**
  - 8.1. [Harbor Island Yacht Club](#) will be the site of all shore-side activities.
  - 8.2. The racing area is between mile Cumberland River 216.5 and mile 227 on [Old Hickory Lake](#). The Distance Course will begin at a starting line between mile 220 and mile 225. The course will be further described in the Sailing Instructions.
  - 8.3. The course, set on Old Hickory Lake, may intersect the navigational channel. Commercial traffic (barges) and deep-draft craft in the channel have right-of-way over sailboats and must be treated with utmost respect. **When a boat sailing under these rules meets a vessel that is not, the rules of Part 2 (When Boats Meet) are replaced by the [Inland Navigation Rules](#). Any boat impeding the passage of a right-of-way vessel is subject to protest by the race committee or the protest committee.**
9. **SCORING**
  - 9.1. Wind dependent HIYC PHRF handicaps and Time-on-Time adjustment factors will be used.
  - 9.2. Time Correction Formula (TCF) =  $700/(f+PHRF)$  where  $f = 650$  for light air,  $550$  for moderate air, and  $450$  for heavy air as assessed by the Race Committee.
  - 9.3. Series ties will be broken in favor of the boat with the lowest sum of corrected times for all races. This changes RRS A8 (Series Ties)
  - 9.4. Boats who do not finish within the time limit outlined in the Sailing Instructions will be scored TLX (Time Limit Expired). This adds to RRS A10 (Scoring Abbreviations)
10. **ON-THE-WATER COMMUNICATIONS** – VHF radio channel 68 will be used by the Race Committee for warnings and communications to the competitors while on the water. VHF Radios are required.
11. **PRIZES** - Prizes will be awarded to top finishers in each class.
12. **WAIVER** - Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. 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 they have obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.
13. **INSURANCE** - Each participating boat must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.
14. **LAUNCHING & ACCESS** - Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Harbor Island Yacht Club free of charge. Access to the club is through a security gate. Non-HIYC members may scroll down to and dial CLUB on the gate control panel and ask that it be opened.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** - For further information please contact Gene Lovelace (615)887-9119 or email: [lovelace.gene@gmail.com](mailto:lovelace.gene@gmail.com).