

NOTICE OF RACE

The O.L. Shultz - Alive Hospice

Open Class Regatta - April 20th and 21st, 2024

INVITATION - Harbor Island Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend The O.L Shultz - Alive Hospice Open Regatta on Saturday, April 20th and Sunday April 21th, 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".

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the rules of the related class associations for registered participants. RRS V1 will apply.
- 1.2. Changes to the following RRS sections will be made for this regatta: 29.1 (Individual Recall), 33(a) (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), RRS 44.1 (Taking a Penalty), 44.2 (Two-Turns Penalty), 61.1 (Informing the Protestee) 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A5.1 and A5.2 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee), 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 dinghy sailors 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.

3. CLASSES

- 3.1. The following classes are anticipated: Y-Flyers, Vanguard 15's, and Lightning's.
- 3.2. More than one boat of the same kind will constitute a class.
- 3.3. The Regatta Committee may combine or split classes at its sole discretion.

4. **FEES** – The online registration fee is \$40 per boat and includes two (2) dinners on Saturday April 20th. Additional dinners, memorial burgees, and opportunities to donate can be found at bit.ly/22olsahDinghy

5. SCHEDULE

5.1. SATURDAY, April 20th, 2024

- 8:00 am: Check-in and last chance to purchase memorial burgees under deck of clubhouse
- 9:30 am: Skippers' Meeting, memorial burgee service and presentations to skippers
* **All skippers must attend the burgee presentation!**
- 10:55 am: Warning Signal for first race
- 5:00 pm: "Boatside Box Meal" for skippers and crew.

5.2. SUNDAY, APRIL 21th, 2024

- 9:55 am: Warning Signal for first race
- Trophy Presentation and Closing Ceremony following racing.
* **All skippers are asked to attend the closing ceremony!**

6. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions will be available at bit.ly/22olsahDinghy Print copies will be posted on the official notice board, available at registration, and throughout the event upon request.

7. RACING

- 7.1. The racing will consist of buoy courses 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.
- 7.4. No Races will be started after 1:00 pm on Sunday

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 course will be further described in the Sailing Instructions.
 - 8.2.1. The "Upper Course" is approximately one mile Northeast of the harbor entrance, below Lindsey's Light.
 - 8.2.2. The "Lower Course" is just West of the harbor entrance, between the mouth of Shute's Branch and the mouth of Drake's Creek.
 - 8.2.3. The "Harbor Course" is inside the harbor at HIYC.
- 8.3. The Upper and Lower courses, 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. **ALTERNATE PENALTIES** – RRS V1 (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) will apply, changing the first two sentences of RRS 44.1 (Taking a Penalty) are changed to "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a *rule* of Part 2 or Rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races, excluding her worst score if six or more races are completed. This changes rule A2.
- 10.2. If the race committee determines that there are straggling boats of a class that will not finish within the time limit, and therefore are delaying the start of a following race, the race committee will stop the race for the straggling boats, give them a finish position (FOC finish on course), and direct them to sail to the starting area for the start of the following race. This changes RRS A5 and A10.
- 10.3. A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS, and OCS), did not finish (DNF) for any reason other than (FOC), or retires (RET) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta.
- 10.4. A boat that was disqualified (BFD, DSQ, DNE and DGM) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 10.5. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 10.6. If a tie still remains after applying the series tie breaking procedure of A8.1, the procedure outlined in RRS A8.1 will be repeated using all races, including those previously excluded. If a tie still remains, the tie will be broken in accordance with A8.2. This changes RRS A8.2.
- 10.7. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A5.1.

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.