



The Neuse Yacht Racing Association

presents the 32nd Annual Labor Day Race

The Johnson Lexus Cup Regatta



September 1, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA) is the Organizing Authority for this regatta.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the current Rules of Sailing; the prescriptions of USSailing; the N.C. Wildlife Commission; and U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T - Arbitration applies
- 1.3 RRS Appendix V - Alternative Penalties, Section V1 applies.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to sailboats 21 feet or longer LOA with a current NC-PHRF rating certificate.
- 2.2 NC-PHRF rating certificates may be obtained at www.ncphrf.com. Completed and signed Applications must be received no later than 1 week prior to the regatta.
- 2.3 A provisional/temporary NC-PHRF certificate may be issued dependent upon sufficient notice prior to the start of the regatta.

3. ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1 Anticipated fleets are Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering for this online at:
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28575>

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for all classes is \$40.00. A late fee of \$5.00 is added to entries submitted after 1930 on August 25. Entries close Friday August 30 at 2300.
- 4.2 Current Members of US Sailing, or FHYC, or NYRA or BSC receive a \$5 discount.
- 4.3 Sunday evening Shore Party tickets at the Riverfront Convention Center may be purchased for \$35 per person during race registration, or independently through the Event Storefront:

5. SCHEDULE

- 0900 Competitor's meeting on the deck at the *Oriental Harbor Marina and Inn*.
- 1055 First signal for racing scheduled
- 1630 Shore Party begins – at the **New Bern Riverfront Convention Center**, in the waterfront promenade, *The View* - Catered by Chef Smoke and the Flame:
Happy Hour at 4:30 pm - Hors d oeuvres and Cash Bar -Edible Art - Beautiful Display of Assorted Fruits, Cheeses and Vegetables with Crackers, Ranch, Dill Pesto and Seasonal Fruit Flavored Dipping Sauces
Two Entree Dinner Buffet at 5:30 pm - Beef Tips in a Bourguignonne Sauce with Mushrooms

*Mahi-Mahi with Fresh Mango Salsa over Farfalle
Bow Tie Pasta
Fresh Green Beans
Rolls with Whipped Butter, Farmer's Market Garden Salad
Fresh Spring Mix and Iceberg Lettuce, Sliced Cucumbers, Shredded Carrots, Cherry Tomatoes,
Shredded Cheddar and Garlic Croutons with Ranch & Italian Dressings.
Fresh Green Beans
Seasoned and Roasted Broccoli, Cauliflower and Carrots
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Praline Bread Pudding*

*****There is a feeder race from New Bern to Oriental on August 31, organized by the Fairfield Harbor Yacht Club - the 40th Oar Race Regatta - information and registration may be found here: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28413>**

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website on Regatta Network by or before 1200 Aug 30 2024.

7. COURSES

- 7.1 Courses to be sailed by all boats will be approximately 22 miles on the Neuse River between Oriental and Neuse River Government Markers 17 and 19 (across the river from Blackbeard Sailing Club and Fairfield Harbour); In the event weather necessitates a significant postponement to the start, the start location may be moved upriver to effect a shortened course of either 15 or 10 nautical miles.
- 7.2 All starts and finishes will be recorded by the Race Committee.

8. SCORING AND HANDICAPS

- 8.1 The scoring system will be a Pursuit Start using Time on Distance handicapping. Each boat will be given a specific start time at the Competitors' Meeting. The order of finishing shall be the order of placement, subject to the resolution of any protests
- 8.2 Spinnaker and or Non-Spinnaker Fleets may be split into classes dependent upon the number of entries.

9. AWARDS

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded based on number of entries in each class or fleet.

10 SAFETY CONDITIONS AND ABANDONMENT

- 10.1 Racing may be canceled or abandoned at the discretion of the PRO at any time prior to or during racing. However RRS 3 also states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone."
- 10.2 Notice of any cancelation prior to race day will be sent to all registered skippers via email as soon as the determination has been made.

12 INSURANCE, SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Each boat must be insured with an adequate valid third-party liability policy.
- 12.2 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 error, 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.

13 DOCKAGE

For those traveling from other areas to sail in this regatta and the FHYC's Oar Race, the Organizing Authority will endeavor to locate complimentary dockage on Friday night prior to the Oar Race.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For questions or further information, please contact NYRA at:
NeuseYachtRacing@gmail.com, or call 252 671 7462