



## Notice of Race

### Wednesday Night Series April 1–September 30, 2026

Divided into 2 series for scoring. April through June (**Spring Series**).  
July through September (**Summer Series**).

Hamilton Creek Marina, Percy Priest Lake, Hermitage, TN

The organizing authority for this event is Percy Priest Yacht Club

#### 1 RULES—

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Class One Design rules will apply except
  - 1.2a For J22 boats, the combined crew weight restriction of class rule C.2.1.(a) will not apply.
  - 1.2b For the S2 7.9 class, class rule 3.6.1. is changed so that there is no maximum crew weight
  - 1.2c For Catalina 22 boats Class Rules L1–3 (requirement for skipper to own the boat) This will allow the use of Club boats
- 1.3 US Sailing Rx 61.(b) is turned off
- 1.4 – Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or
- 1.5 After 5:45PM on the day of the race, decisions regarding abandonment or changing to the short course will be made by the race director or his designee and communicated using VHF channel 68 and a text message on the WNR Skippers & Scoring WhatsApp group.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes or amendments will be dated and posted online no later than March 15, 2026, at <https://ppyc.clubexpress.com>.
- 2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the race director or his designee by hailing competitors on VHF channel 68 and the WNR Skippers & Scoring group on WhatsApp before the first boat starts. This changes Rule 90.2C

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board will be the pertinent PPYC page online at <https://ppyc.clubexpress.com>
- 3.2 All boats are encouraged to carry a VHF radio. Communication will be on channel 68 and the WNR Skippers & Scoring group on WhatsApp

### 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. At least one member of the crew must be a member of Percy Priest Yacht Club to be scored in a race. A boat must choose to sail in only one class for the entire series. All boats must have proof of insurance.

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 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and submitting it, by 12:00PM on the Wednesday that they will race for their 1st time. That would be no later 12:00PM April 1, 2026 for competitors planning to race the first scheduled race. There will be no onsite registration. A boat may begin competing in the series at any time, but must be properly registered to be scored. If a boat registers during the Spring Series, that boat will be considered registered for both series Spring/Summer. A boat fully registered but not intending to participate in the Summer series should notify the race director so they may be excluded from number of entries in scoring.

4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements. Eligible boats shall complete the entry form, and the **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER** form for this series. These documents are located on the PPYC webpage (<https://ppyc.clubexpress.com>). They may be viewed and downloaded from this web site.

5. **FEES**-- The regatta entry fees are as follows:

Registration Fee:	\$10.00
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## 6. SCHEDULE

Each Wednesday Night from April 1, 2026– September 30, 2026	
6PM (1800)	zero time for pursuit starting times
Spring Series	April 1 through June 30
Summer Series	July 1 through September 30
Awards	Awards presentation time and location to be announced before the end of the season

## 7. COURSES

7.1. The course will be a distance course using government marks and islands as described in the sailing instructions.

8. **LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING**--Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina free of charge. A ramp is available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.

9.0 Races will be sailed with pursuit starts. No race committee boats, visual or sound signals will be used.

## 10. Scoring

10.1 RRS Appendix A will apply except that A2.1 is changed from "Each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score" to. "Each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores minus the worst score for every 4 races scored in the series". **(one throw out for every 4 races scored)**. Other scoring changes will be stated in the sailing instructions.

10.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## **11.Risk Statement**

- 11.1. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. Competitors acknowledge that sailing involves potential risks. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against Percy Priest Yacht Club and its officers, directors, members, committees, volunteers, and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.
- 11.2. The skipper/owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with any reasonable request of any Race Officer, Regatta Committee member, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat.

## **12. Insurance**

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

- 13. Prizes** will be given to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in each fleet for the Spring and Summer Series. A 1st place trophy will also be awarded for the overall combined champion.

## **14. Further Information**

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