2013 NYRA Commodore's Ball Regatta New Bern NC March 2 2013 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The 2013-16 Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 ENTRIES

Entries shall be accepted from owners who possess a currently valid PHRF rating from NCPHRF or from another acceptable North Carolina rating organization. Upon request of the PRO the owner or skipper shall provide a signed dated copy of the rating certificate. Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the entry fee to the PRO before 8:45 on Mar 2.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Northwest Creek Marina. Verbal changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. They will be communicated on VHF channel 67.

4 SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAG(S)

A competitors' meeting will be held at 9:00 on Mar 2 at Northwest Creek Marina. The warning signal for the first race will be at 10:55 am. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. The class flag(s) are Spinnaker A Red, Spinnaker B Blue, Non-spinnaker green.

5 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the Neuse River in the vicinity of markers #17 and #19 and Broad Creek #2.

6 COURSES and MARKS

The course(s) will displayed on the starboard side of the Signal Boat. Marks displayed in in green are to left to Starboard, those displayed in red are to be left to port.

A displayed number indicates the corresponding government mark.

When numbers "2" or "19" are used an inflatable offset mark near the government mark replaces the government mark.

"18" indicates an inflatable set approximately midway between "17" and "19"

"R/C" indicates the race Committee (Start / Finish line).

"W" indicates a separately set windward mark. If "W" is used the approximate compass bearing to the windward mark will be announced on VHF channel 67.

"M" indicates the mark at the flag end of the start / finish line.

"L" indicates a separately set leeward mark downwind from the windward mark.

"G" indicates a gybe mark set approximately midway between the windward and leeward marks and offset

by approximately half the distance between the windward and leeward marks.

Inflatable marks will be 5' orange or yellow tetrahedron except the pin end of the start line which may use a 3' tetrahedron.

7 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The starting and finishing lines will be between the luff of an orange flag on the Signal Boat and an orange or yellow inflatable mark at the pin end.

8 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 2 hours for the first boat to finish. If one boat in a class sails the course and finishes within the time limit other boats in that class shall have an additional 30 minutes, from the finish time of that first boat, to finish or shall be scored DNF.

9 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The Race Committee will monitor and attempt to communicate with competitors on VHF channel 67 to keep them informed of general race information, class starting sequence, start count downs, premature starters etc. failure of a boat hear a communication shall not be grounds for redress.

10 PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to the PRO at 5620 Gondolier Dr within 60 minutes after the race committee finish boat docks. Hearings will be held as soon as possible before the Commodore's Ball Dinner.

11 SCORING

One or more races are scheduled. All scores will count. One race constitutes a series. Scoring will be PHRF time on time with a time correction factor of 650/550+phrf.