



ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB

2014 WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACES

April 23, 2014 – August 27, 2014

The Organizing Authority is the Annapolis Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 will be replaced by: “If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and a rule in the sailing instructions, the rule in the sailing instructions shall take precedence.”

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Annapolis Yacht Club members and owners of invited classes may enter the Wednesday Night Race Series. Non-AYC members may enter a boat from an invited one design class. Applicants for membership approved by the AYC Membership Committee may be approved to enter.
- 2.2 Anyone entering a boat must be a regular, active participant on the boat for the series and is responsible for the actions of the boat and crew while participating in the event.
- 2.3 AYC member owned PHRF division and one design boats are eligible to enter. The invited one design classes are: Alberg 30, Catalina 27, Etchells, Harbor 20, Herreshoff 12½, J22, J24, J30, J35, J70, J80, J105, Farr30 and Farr 40.
- 2.4 A minimum of 5 boats per handicap division or class must be registered by Friday, April 18th, 2014 for the division or class to be scored separately. If less than 5 boats are registered in a handicap division or class by that date, the division or class may be eliminated. Competitors who have already registered in that division or class will be notified and may race with another handicap division or class, if eligible, or the entry fee will be refunded. Handicap boats shall have a valid rating by May 7th, 2014 or will face rejection of entry.
- 2.5 Safety considerations may limit the maximum number of boats accepted for racing.
- 2.6 Entry Forms are available on-line on the event website and at AYC’s Front Desk. Early, on-line registration is requested by the race committee and is strongly recommended since there is a limit on the number of entries accepted.
- 2.7 PHRF entries shall have a current 2014 valid rating or measurement certificate from PHRF of the Chesapeake. A boat racing in PHRF shall maintain the rating stated in the entry during all three series.
- 2.8 Each entry shall submit with their entry a [crew list](#) of non AYC members on the form available on the event website or at the AYC front office. Wednesday night guest cards will be issued to all non-AYC crewmembers. Use of the card is specified on the form and allows the crewmember to purchase tickets for food and beverages at the Club.
- 2.9 Fleet flags are required for all races sailed after May 7th, 2014.

3 Entry Fees

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$215 for Alberg 30, Catalina 27, Etchells, Harbor 20, Herreshoff 12.5, J22, J24, J30, J35, J70 & J80, Farr 30, Farr 40, J105, & PHRF if postmarked, delivered or submitted on-line by Wednesday, April 16th, 2014. Entries after that date shall be subject to a \$50 late fee.

4 Schedule

- 4.1 The event will consist of three series.
- 4.2 The Schedule is as follows:

- Skipper's Meeting: April 23, 2014@ 1630 hours
- First Series Racing Begins: Following Skipper's Meeting. First gun 1800.
- First Series Racing: April 23, 2014 through May 28th.
- Second Series Racing Begins: June 4th through June 26th
- Lay Day: July 2nd.
- Second Series Racing Resumes: July 10th through July 16th
- Third Series Racing: July 23th through August 27th
- Last day of racing: August 27th
- Awards Ceremony: September 10th

5 Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 The sailing instructions (including Course Sheets) will be available at the Skippers meeting and after that at the AYC front desk and online at the event website.

6 The Courses

- 6.1 Courses will be a combination of fixed and drop mark courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

7 Penalty System

- 7.1 RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, will apply as detailed in the sailing instructions.

8 Scoring

- 8.1 The Low-Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A4 will apply.
- 8.2 RRS Appendix A9 and A4.2 will be changed such that a boat that started but did not finish, a boat that did not start, a boat that retired after finishing, or a boat that was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished in their class.
- 8.3 One race must be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.4 PHRF of the Chesapeake splits will be used as a guideline for PHRF divisions; however the final divisions will be determined by the ratings of the entries. Classes may be started together in a Fleet, but scored separately. Handicap divisions may be divided and/or starts combined if the number of entries and/or ratings indicates that this would improve race management.
- 8.5 Final Division, Class, and Fleet assignments and starting sequence will be stated in the sailing instructions.

9 Prizes

- 9.1 The number of prizes awarded will depend on the average number of boats competing in each class for each series. There will be three (3) prizes for five boats, four (4) prizes for six or more boats.
- 9.2 In addition, the following perpetual trophies may be awarded: **Charles Dell Trophy** for best performance in Fleet; Harvey **Clapp Memorial Trophy** for best overall performance in the Etchells Class; **Geiger Memorial Perpetual Trophy** for best overall performance in PHRF.

10 Insurance

- 10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance provider with a minimum cover of \$300,000 (US\$) per event or the equivalent.
- 10.2 The person entering a boat may be asked to provide proof of insurance.

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