



Constitution Yacht Club  
PO Box 290851 Charlestown, MA 02129  
PHRF Wednesday Evening Boston Inner Harbor Races

**Event:** The Constitution Yacht Club invites all PHRF boats to compete in this series of races. Boats are allowed to Race (spinnaker) or Cruise (Jib and Main only (JAM)). There is no adjustment for JAM beyond the normal PHRF cruising handicap. There will be a social event after the 6<sup>th</sup> race of each series.

1. **Rules**

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*
- 1.2. The MBSA General Sailing instructions, except as changed by the Event Sailing Instructions, will apply.

2. **Eligibility and Entry**

- 2.1. The series is open to boats with a valid PHRF-NE Handicap.
- 2.2. There will be at least two (2) and as many as three (3) classes. Class splits will be outlined in the SI's.
- 2.3. **Registration:** Entries can be made by submitting the Registration Form, the appropriate Entry Fee and a current PHRF-NE handicap certificate by mail to the CYC PO Box listed above. Race Registration forms can be downloaded from the CYC web site: [http://cycboston.org/wednesday-night-series\\_1.html](http://cycboston.org/wednesday-night-series_1.html) or from <http://regattaman.com>. Registration Forms and Fees are due to the Race Committee (RC) before 1800 hours on the first day of racing. Registration includes entry in 3 inter-club "Rumbles."
- 2.4. CYC reserves the right to refuse entry to any boat. Boats denied entry to the series will be provided with a written explanation of the refusal.

3. **Fees:**

FULL SEASON:	\$180/CYC Member	\$215/Non-Member
SINGLE SERIES:	\$90/CYC Member	\$100/Non-Member
SINGLE RACE:	\$35/CYC Member	\$40/Non-Member

4. **Handicap System:** PHRF Time on Time will be used. The formula for the Time Correction Factor (TCF) shall be  $650 / (550 + \text{PHRF})$ .

5. **Schedule**

- 5.1. **Skippers' Meeting:** Wednesday **May 04**, 2016 at 1900 hours at The Living Room, 101 Atlantic Ave, Boston MA 02110 (617) 723-5101

- 5.2. **Schedule of Races:** One race will be held each Wednesday evening as follows:

SPRING:	6 Races	May 18 <sup>th</sup> – June 22 <sup>nd</sup>
SUMMER:	6 Races	June 29 <sup>th</sup> – August 3 <sup>rd</sup>
FALL:	6 Races	August 10 <sup>th</sup> – September 14 <sup>th</sup>

- 5.3. **Warning Signal:** The first warning will be at 1830.

- 5.4. **Rumbles:** The following are the dates for the Boston Harbor Rumbles. The cost is included in the season fees.

Rumble 1:	June 15	Hosted by Constitution YC
Rumble 2:	July 13	Hosted by Hingham YC
Rumble 3:	Aug 17	Hosted by Cottage Park YC

6. **Sailing Instructions:** Distributed at the skippers' meeting and are also available for download at the CYC web site [http://cycboston.org/wednesday-night-series\\_1.html](http://cycboston.org/wednesday-night-series_1.html) or from <http://regattaman.com>.

7. **Venue and Courses**

- 7.1. Please see the Course attachment for the location of the racing area and pre-determined courses.
- 7.2. The race committee will announce the evening's course on channel 69 no later than 15 minutes prior to the first warning. Announcements will cease at the first warning.

8. **Penalty System**

- 8.1. For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed from a two-turns penalty to a one-turn penalty.

9. **Scoring**

- 9.1. Scoring system is the modified CHiPS as provided through MBSA.
  - 9.2. One race is required to constitute a series.
  - 9.3. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
10. **Radio Communication**  
The race committee monitors channel 69. The racing area has much commercial traffic and vessels are encouraged to monitor channels 13 and/or 16 in addition to 69. Rule 41 applies to all racing boats.
11. **Prizes**  
Series and Overall prizes will be awarded at the annual CYC Brunch in November.
12. **Disclaimer of Liability**  
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
13. **Insurance**  
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. Proof of insurance must be provided to the race committee or club officers upon request.
14. **Further Information**  
For further information, please contact Lance Ryley, Fleet Captain at [lance\\_ryley@yahoo.com](mailto:lance_ryley@yahoo.com)