

Bobby Veltman Memorial Race

Sponsored by Eastern Point Yacht Club and The Rhumb Line

Gloucester, MA

Saturday, September 4th, 2021

- 1.1 **Event:** The Gloucester Ocean Pursuit Race will be held on September 4, 2021. The organizing authority is the Eastern Point Yacht Club, Gloucester, MA.
- 2.1 **Eligibility:** The race is open to all boats with a valid ORR-EZ handicap.
- 2.2 **Registration:** Simply go to the Regattaman website <https://www.regattaman.com>. The registration deadline is 5PM, Friday, September 3, 2021.
- 2.3 **Fees:** Entry fee is \$60, minus \$5 for US Sailing Membership and \$5 for MBSA membership
- 2.4 **Handicap System:** ORR-EZ Time on Distance will be used. Participants may communicate changes between racing and cruising ratings to the Race Committee up until the warning signal.
- 3 **Rules:** This Event will be governed by the Mass Bay Sailing Association General Sailing Instructions except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions. Use of electric winches is permitted in this race. This changes RRS 52.
- 4 **Notices to Competitors:** Notices will be posted on the Regattaman website <https://www.regattaman.com>, and emails will be sent to registrants from the Regattaman website. Notices of cancellation/postponement and any changes to sailing instructions will be available by 9:00AM the day of the race on this site. Please contact the Race Committee on VHF Channel 73 with questions, starting at 11:00AM the day of the race, or call 978-879-7951 before then.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** There will be one race for all boats.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:** The warning signal will be at 11:55AM (GPS time) with a 5-minute starting sequence.
- 10.1 **The Course:** The coordinates of the start/finish line are near Kettle Ledge at 42 32.600 N and 70 41.600 W. The course will be a triangle/out/back going from the start/finish to the first mark and the second mark of the triangle and back to the start/finish, back to the first mark and back to the start/finish. The race committee will display the course and distance to the first mark prior to the warning signal. The triangular part of the course will be an equilateral triangle, with 120 degree turns to the left from the first mark to the second mark, and from the second mark back to the start/finish line. The course out to the first mark the second time may be changed by signaling Code flag C at the start/finish and the hailing of the new direction. In the event of light air, the race committee will designate a shorter course.
- 14.2 **Recalls:** Boats that cross the starting line prior to their designated start time will be hailed by the Race Committee on VHF Channel 73.
- 17.1 **Time Limit:** The race will be abandoned if the first boat does not cross the finish line within five hours of the time of the first boat to start. Boats finishing more than one hour after the time limit will be scored DNF (did not finish).
- 24 **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place. **Social Activities:** All captains, crews, and their guests are invited to the Rhumb Line at 40 Railroad Ave in Gloucester after the race where there will be a cash bar and light refreshments. **Moorings and rooms:** Race participants may reserve moorings and rooms at Eastern Point Yacht Club (978-283-3520). Also, other moorings can be reserved at the Gloucester Harbor Master.