

NORTHPORT YACHT CLUB  
NORTHPORT, ME

AROUND ISLESBORO RACE  
NOTICE OF RACE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

**EVENT**

- The Around Islesboro race is a 'low key' affair with the intent on having a great summer sail around Islesboro Island. This race has been held for over 30 years!!
- The race will start at 10:00am, with the skippers meeting at 8:30am at the clubhouse, on September 7, 2024

**ELIGIBILITY**

- The race is open to all sailing yachts – racers, cruisers, multihulls and single-handed. **All boats except multihulls must have a minimum 400 pounds of Fixed Ballast**
- Those yachts submitting a valid PHRF-New England certificate will also be scored as part of the 2024 Gulf of Maine Racing Series (GMORA)
- Boats without a valid PHRF-NE handicap certificate will be handicapped by the Race Committee, using handicaps of similar boats

**ENTRY**

- Entries must be completed online at <https://www.regattaman.com>
- Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted online. A boat's registration will not be considered complete without waivers from the skipper and all crewmembers. A boat will not be scored if all registration requirements are not completed.

**RULES**

- This race will be governed by the rules as indicated in the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the US Sailing Prescriptions, except as modified by the AIR Sailing Instructions
- Each boat shall comply with federal, state and local insurance requirements

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- Sailing instructions will be posed on the Official Notice Board at <https://www.regattaman.com> on or before 9:00am on the day before the race
- No drones shall be used while racing or in the racing areas

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- The official notice board is located online at <https://www.regattaman.com>
- All boats must have a working VHF radio on board
- On the water, the Race Committee will broadcast on the VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions
- Each boat is required to check in by passing the stern of the signal boat or by hailing the race committee on the VHF radio (advise boat name and total number of people on board)

- While racing, a boat shall not communicate in any way via voice or data transmissions unless the information is available to all boats

#### VENUE

- The race shall take place in the Penobscot Bay area, including Eastern Bay and Gilkey's Harbor
- The course to be sailed will be contained in the sailing instructions

#### RISK STATEMENT

- Competitors participate in the race at their own risk. According to the Racing Rules of Sailing "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone".
- Each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing could be dangerous with inherent risks. NYC will not assume any liability for damages, personal injury or death prior to, during or after the race
- The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the race is responsible for the behavior of each crewmember on his/her boat, both on the water and off. Property destruction or lack of good sportsmanship by any crewmember may result in the boat's disqualification.
- The skipper must ensure that each crewmember's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to the closing of registration.

#### AWARDS AND PRIZES

- Prizes will be presented at NYC clubhouse. This typically occurs between 6:30 and 7:00pm but is at the discretion of the race committee.

•

#### SKIPPER'S MEETING

- 8:30AM sharp on Saturday morning at the Northport Yacht Club clubhouse. All skippers (or their designated representative) must be present.

#### MOORINGS

- Are available on a first come, first served basis. Options include anchoring near the dock or in nearby Belfast.
- Moorings marked "Bayside Marine" are rental moorings. You can contact them directly at 207-323-4565 to arrange a rental.
- All other moorings in the anchorage are privately owned. Use at your own risk

**There will not be an official launch service, but club members will try to help ferry people ashore as needed and if available. Monitor Channel \_72\_ for additional information. It would be best to bring your own dinghy. Please do not contact the race committee for launch service**

**Please note that at low tide, there is only THREE feet of water in front of the Bayside dock and the boat float. Please keep the outside of the dock free of dinghies to allow racing boats to pick up crew. Do not use the swim float to tie up dinghies.**

**Skippers, crew and guests are invited to participate in a gala post-race social at the clubhouse around 4:30pm. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs will be available, along with numerous dishes donated by Yacht Club and/or village members. There is no charge.**