

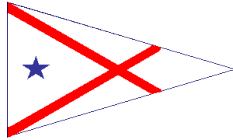
BHYC Commodore's Cup & Classics Series 2024

July 6, 2024

July 27, 2024

August 10, 2024

August 25, 2024



Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club

Boothbay Harbor, Maine

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 All boats must comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.3 Boats sailing in a One Design class must comply with the requirements of their Class Rules.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions for the races will be available online on the event website at [regattaman.com](https://www.regattaman.com) on or before 9:00 AM July 6. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted to the event website at [regattaman.com](https://www.regattaman.com) prior to 9:00 AM on the day of each subsequent race.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board for the races is located at <https://www.regattaman.com/>.
- 3.2 All boats must carry a functioning VHF radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat may not make or receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats without a valid PHRF-New England (PHRF-NE) handicap certificate will be handicapped by the Race Committee based on PHRF-NE handicaps of similar boats. Determinations by the Race Committee regarding handicapping in the event that PHRF-NE certificates are not present will be final and not subject to redress.
- 4.2 Boats must enter the event by registering online at <https://www.regattaman.com/> for each race.
- 4.3 Division breaks will be at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 There is no fee to participate in this series. Voluntary donations (not tax deductible) to support the costs of racing at BHYC are welcome and can be made at the time of registration. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make the Commodore's Cup and Classics Series happen each year.
- 5.2 Other fees: Overnight moorings are available through Dockwa:
<https://dockwa.com/explore/destination/x1cvz-boothbay-harbor-yacht-club>

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Dates of Racing: Commodore's Cup and Classics Series for 2024 will be held on Saturday July 6, Saturday July 26, Saturday August 10, and Sunday August 25.

6.2 Times of racing will be:

- Skipper's Meeting 12:00
- First Warning 13:00 (scheduled)
- Post-race Activities 16:30 or upon return to dock

7 VENUE

7.1 The races will be held in Boothbay Harbor, Booth Bay, Linekin Bay and the surrounding waters. Note: laminated "not for navigation" charts showing the location of marks are available for purchase at the BHYC Ship's Store.

8 COURSE

8.1 Courses will be either windward-leeward or "around the buoy" courses determined by the Race Committee using marks and locations as specified in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee will endeavor to provide at least one Windward-Leeward race and at least one race among the islands.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10 SCORING – Low Point Averaged System

10.1 To qualify for inclusion in the final series results a boat must compete in at least 75 percent of the completed races of the series.

10.2 Race scores will be scored in accordance with **RRS Rule A4**.

10.3 The series score for each boat will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst score divided by the number of races for which she is scored. The qualified boat with the lowest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly. An excluded race counts as a race to qualify a boat for a series score but not as one of her scored races.

10.4 Ties will be broken using **RRS Rule A7**. Series ties will be broken using **RRS Rule A8.1**. **RRS Rules A1, A3, A5, A6, A9, and A10** also apply.

11 RISK STATEMENT / DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

11.2 The race organizers (Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12 INSURANCE

- 12.1 Each participating boat must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 For the series, in classes/divisions with 6 or more entries, prizes will be given to first, second, and third place boats. First and second place prizes will be awarded to classes/divisions with 3 to 5 entries. No prizes will be awarded for classes/divisions with fewer than 3 entries.
- 13.2 Series awards and BHYC Perpetual Trophies will be presented at the BHYC Racing Awards dinner, on a date to be announced.
- 13.3 Boats with a valid rating certificate issued by PHRF-NE and which are registered as members of the Gulf of Maine Ocean Racing Association (GMORA) may be scored as part of the GMORA Boothbay Region and Overall series.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 For further information go to the regattaman Calendar <https://www.regattaman.com/calendar.php> select the race and click info, or www.bhyc.net, or contact BHYC event organizer Scott Blake (blake@homeport.org).