



THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL RED LOBDELL MEMORIAL REGATTA

Saturday, September 25th, 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **Organizing Authority.** This regatta is organized by the Stonington Harbor Yacht Club.
2. **Rules.** This regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024* and the prescriptions of The United States Sailing Association (RRS) as modified by these Sailing Instructions (SI's).
3. **Eligibility.** This regatta is open to all PHRF rated boats 20 feet LOA or longer; all NEMA rated boats; and all one design classes with three or more entries that appear timely at the starting line.
4. **Entry.**
 - 3.1. Entries, including payment and acceptance of the Liability Waiver by the skipper and each crew member, may be done online by completing an online entry form along with an online payment using credit/debit card, available on the SHYC Public Racing page, www.shyc.us/public-racing, or on the SHYC Member Racing Page, www.shyc.us/racing-private. Competitors are asked to complete the Entry Form and payment by September 24th. Online entry and payment by credit/debit card implies Liability Waiver and parental consent for competitors under the age of 18 years.
 - 3.2. A valid PHRF-ECSA or NEMA (multihull) rating certificate should be available for each Race Circle 1 boat.
 - 3.3. The entry fee is \$20 for SHYC members and \$25 for non-members.
4. **Race Circle and Class Assignments.** The Race Circles will be divided into classes as follows. There is no limit to the number of classes that can be so entered but the Race Committee (RC) will review and qualify each class. The RC will make the final class determinations. Assigned classes will be shown on the Scratch Sheet available after 1200 on September 24th and from the Committee boat on race day.
 - 4.1. **Race Circle 1:** PHRF and NEMA rated boats 20 feet LOA or longer
 - Class 1:** PHRF rated boats 20 feet LOA or longer, spinnakers permitted.
 - Class 2:** PHRF rated boats 20 feet LOA or longer, cruising canvas only, no spinnakers of any type
 - Class 3:** NEMA rated multihull boats.
 - 4.2. **Race Circle 2:** One Design boats 20 feet LOA or longer
 - Classes:** One Design boats 20 feet LOA or longer with three or more entrants of the same class. Compliant classes include such One Design boats as Watch Hill 15, Shields, Highlander, One Design (OD), etc.
 - 4.3. **Race Circle 3:** One Design classes under 20 feet LOA
 - Classes:** One Design boats under 20 feet LOA with three or more entrants of the same class. Compliant classes include: Lasers, Sunfish, Ideal 18, Aero, Wazp, Bullseye etc.
5. **Venues**
 - 5.1. **Race Circle 1:** A single race of approximately 20 nautical miles will be conducted in the vicinity of Fishers Island. Starting/Finish Line for the will be south of the Stonington outer breakwater in Fishers Island Sound.

Race Circle 1 will be started using the 5-minute sequence of RRS Rule 26, with the first warning expected to be at 1030.

5.2. **Race Circle 2:** Multiple short races will be conducted in the vicinity of the Stonington outer breakwater. Race Circle 2 will be started using a 3-minute sequence in accordance with Appendix U to the RRS, with the first warning expected to be at 1300.

5.3 **Race Circle 3:** Multiple short races will be conducted inside the Stonington outer breakwater. Race Circle 3 will be started using a 3-minute sequence in accordance with Appendix U to the RRS, with the first warning expected to be at 1330.

6. **Schedule Check-in:** Each boat will check in with the RC for its respective circle, by sailing under the committee boat's stern and announcing her intention to race. Please do not check in by radio.

6.1. Circle 1 boats will check in between 1000 and 1025.

6.2. Circle 2 boats will check in before 1255.

6.3. Circle 3 boats will check in before 1320.

7. **Scoring and awards.**

7.1. PHRF rated boats competing in Race Circle 1 will be scored time on time by class. NEMA rated boats (Class 3) will be scored time on time. One design boats sailing as a class will be scored Low Point, RRS Appendix A.

7.2. First, second and third place awards for each class will be given at the Shore Party following the regatta. The Red Lobdell Memorial Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Cruising Canvas and NEMA classes.

7.3. The Shore Party will be held at SHYC following the regatta.

7.4. As we continue to monitor the evolving COVID-19 situation with a view to member safety, the board has decided to require that members, guests, and other coming to the club confirm that they are vaccinated. This policy will go into effect October 1, 2021. The staff will record proof of vaccination and once recorded will not trouble a member again. If convenient you may email proof of vaccination to Tricia Walsh at twalsh@shyc.us, so that you need not bring proof with you or just bring it the next time you visit. Please inform any guests you bring to the club of our policy. In conjunction with this change, we are dropping the requirement as of October 1, 2021, that masks be worn inside when not seated.

8. **Protests.** The RC will schedule a hearing by the Protest Committee as soon as possible after receiving a written protest. Any race in which a protest occurs will not be scored until the protest is decided. Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final.

9. **Additional Information.** See the SHYC website www.shyc.us/racing/calendar for additional information or contact RC Co-Chairs Kevin Bowdler (860-405-5434 or kevinjbowdler@gmail.com) or Wayne Buchanan (860-434-1560 or wrbuchanan@comcast.net).