

**Royal Hamilton Yacht Club and Burlington Sailing & Boating Club**  
**2015 Racing Series**  
**May 5 to October 1, 2015**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 The PHRF Rules will apply to boats racing in PHRF divisions. The Portsmouth Rules will apply to boats racing in the Dinghy and small Multi-hull divisions. One design classes are subject to their class rules.
- 1.4 A member in good standing of either RHYC or BS&BC must be on board while racing.
- 1.5 Item 8.2 below will change rule 41, outside help.
- 1.6 The sailing instructions will change rule 35, time limits and scores; rule 60.1(a), right to protest; rule 62.1(a), redress; rule 63.1, requirement for a hearing; Rule 64.1, Penalties and exonerations; and Appendix A, scoring. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

**2 ADVERTISING**

Advertising will be permitted in accord with ISAF Regulation 20.

**3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats owned or chartered by members in good standing of RHYC or BS&BC.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and presenting it, together with the required fee, and proof of third party liability insurance at registration. Boats registering to race in a PHRF division must either present a valid PHRF certificate or complete the PHRF certificate renewal application form and pay the required fee. Registration will not be considered complete until all forms/certificates have been received and all fees paid.
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted by either Les Springer at BS&BC or Morgan Seele at RHYC or their designates. Late entrants will not be scored in any race prior to receipt of completed registration and a valid PHRF certificate for boats racing in a PHRF division. Registration will not be considered complete until all forms/certificates have been received and all fees paid.
- 3.4 One design classes must have a minimum of four boats registered to race to be scored as a one design class. It is recommended that one design boats have a valid PHRF certificate in the event that fewer than four boats register to race in its one design class.
- 3.5 Sail numbers displayed on a boat's mainsail shall be the same as those on her registration form. Sail numbers displayed on a boat's head sails shall be the same as those on her mainsail.

**4 FEES**

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows for RHYC entries:  
For ALL classes the fee is \$160 including HST  
BSBC entries the fee is \$25 including HST
- 4.2 Other fees for PHRF entries from both clubs:  
PHRF certificate renewal application fee: \$30.00

## 5 SCHEDULE

### 5.1 Registration:

For BSBC boats will be on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at the BSBC Clubhouse

Contact: Les Springer [canpopeye@hotmail.com](mailto:canpopeye@hotmail.com) (905-928-0858)

For RHYC boats will be on Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1830-2100hrs, and Wednesday, April 29, 1830-2100hrs at RHYC clubhouse.

Contact: Morgan Seele [vcyachting@rhyca.ca](mailto:vcyachting@rhyca.ca) (519-498-9166)

### 5.2 PHRF Measurement:

RHYC boats requiring a new PHRF certificate or having new sails to be measured, contact Morgan Seele ([Morgan.Seele@gmail.com](mailto:Morgan.Seele@gmail.com)) to make an appointment.

BS&BC boats requiring a new PHRF certificate or having new sails to be measured, contact Jan Varkevisser ([jan\\_varkevisser@dofasco.ca](mailto:jan_varkevisser@dofasco.ca)) to make an appointment.

### 5.3 Dates of racing:

Practice races: Tuesday, May 5 and Thursday, May 7, 2014

Spring series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from May 12 to June 18, 2014

Summer series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 23 to August 27, 2014

Fall series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from September 1 to October 1, 2014

### 5.4 Number of races:

One race per day is scheduled. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1825 hrs for the practice races, Spring and Summer series. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1805 hrs for the Fall series.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND BACKSTAY FLAGS

The sailing instructions and backstay flags for boats competing in the PHRF divisions will be available prior to practice racing or at registration. After that time, they will be available from either Colleen Gravelle at BS&BC or Morgan Seele at RHYC or their designates.

## 7. SCORING:

7.1 Only boats registered will be scored.

7.2 If at the conclusion of a series, a boat has no scores other than DNC, that boat's scores will be excluded and the scores of other boats will be recalculated. This changes rule A9.

7.3 The scores for practice races will not be included in any series.

7.4 For each Summer series:

(a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 6 or 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 8 or 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

(d) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

(e) Ten races are scheduled for the Summer Tuesday series and ten races are scheduled for Summer Thursday series. A boat's score for a Summer series overall will be the sum of her Tuesday series net score and Thursday series net score.

7.5 For each Spring and Fall series:

- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) Six races are scheduled for the Spring Tuesday series and six races are scheduled for the Spring Thursday series..
  - (d) Five races are scheduled for the Fall Tuesday series and five races are scheduled for the Fall Thursday series.
- 7.6 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 7.7 To determine the winner of the Bay Championship, points will be awarded to RHYC or BS&BC for each completed Tuesday or Thursday race in PHRF divisions for which at least 40% RHYC or BSBC boats are competing as follows: First place: 4 points, Second place: 3 points, Third place: 2 points, Fourth place: 1 point.
- 7.8 To determine the winner of the RHYC Shark of the Year, overall NFS and overall FS trophies, all Sharks will be combined into one division, all NFS boats will be combined into one division, all FS boats will be combined into a separate division. Within those respective divisions, all races in the Spring, Summer and Fall series will be counted excluding her X worst scores. X is to be calculated by taking the number of completed races and dividing by six. Fractional results are to be rounded down.

## **8 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 8.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except as permitted in item 8.2 below. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 8.2 A boat racing or intending to race may communicate with another boat or the race committee in the case of an emergency or to relay a message. This changes rule 41.
- 8.3 The race committee may communicate with boats using VHF international channel 72. These broadcasts may include the countdown to signal flags and sounds, course information, boats who are OCS, abandonment signals and time limit expiries. Failure of the race committee to make such broadcasts or of a boat to hear a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).

## **9 PRIZES**

- 9.1 Prizes will be given to the first three boats in each division, in each series with five or more boats qualifying in the following series:  
Spring Tuesday series, Spring Thursday series, Spring overall, Summer Tuesday series, Summer Thursday series, Summer series overall, Fall Tuesday series, Fall Thursday series, Fall series overall.
- 9.2 The club with the highest cumulative score in item 7.7 above will be presented the Bay Championship trophy.
- 9.3 These prizes will be presented at combined RHYC and BS&BC Awards Nights, at dates and times to be announced.
- 9.4 Additional prizes and trophies may be presented in accordance with the traditions of each club at their annual Awards Night. A list of specific trophies is available at each club.
- 9.5 To qualify for a prize in a series, a boat shall have raced 40% of all races completed for that series.

## **10 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.

**11 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per incident or the equivalent.

**12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

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