

NOTICE OF RACE - EBYRA WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES 2009

EVENT

Eastchester Bay Yacht Racing Association (EBYRA), the organizing authority, is sponsoring the Wednesday Night Series open to all PHRF boats, consisting of nineteen scheduled races with spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions, as well as a non-spinnaker Cruising Class division.

RULES

The regatta will be governed by the United States Sailing Association, The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012, the Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. A boat shall have a minimum crew of two people on board at all times. YRALIS crew weight limitations and credits will not be in effect. EBYRA may assign sail numbers to boats to avoid conflict with boats registered in the series. Advertising shall be as specified in the Racing Rules of Sailing for category A events.

ELIGIBILITY

The series is open to all sailing boats, spinnaker and non-spinnaker, with a valid 2009 YRALIS or EBYRA PHRF certificate.

REGISTRATION

Application, including PHRF certificate (or PHRF application with fee), and \$220 entry must be received by Wednesday, May 6, 2009 to race on May 13. Thereafter, applications must be received by the Monday immediately preceding the boat's first race, and include a \$25 late fee. Boats without a valid 2009 YRALIS PHRF Certificate may apply for an EBYRA Certificate for a fee of \$10. Boats entering the series for the first time shall pay an entry fee of \$110 of entering the Cruising Class division.

SCHEDULE, LOCATION AND START TIME

The races take place each Wednesday from May 13, 2009 to September 16, 2009. The start line will be in the vicinity of 46A. The warning gun will be at 7:05 PM.

COURSES

Courses will be signaled from the committee boat according to course codes in the Sailing Instructions.

DIVISIONS

Divisions shall be determined based on the entries received.

CRUISING CLASS DIVISION

Entrants may note on their application their entry in the Cruising Class Division. All such yachts will have their own Non-Spinnaker division with shorter, easier courses,

QUALIFYING

To qualify, a boat must compete in at least 50% of races started in its division, rounded down.

THROWOUTS

A boat will earn one throwout for every two races beyond nine in which she starts and in which there is a finisher in her division.

RACE FINISH POSITION, SERIES SCORING AND TIES

Finish position will be established on corrected time using time-on-time factors derived from a boat's PHRF certificate rating and the formula $F = 600/(480+PHRF)$. Series scoring will be the Cox-Sprague scoring system. Cumulative scores will be calculated to the third decimal place. Ties will be broken in favor of the yacht that beat the other yacht more times regardless of throwouts.

RACE COMMITTEE DUTY

All registered yachts are eligible to perform race committee. Boats shall perform race committee on the assigned date with a crew of 3 to 4 persons. Boats performing race committee will receive credit as stated in the Scoring Appendix. Furthermore, boats performing race committee shall follow the guidelines set forth by the EBYRA Principal Race Officer.

AWARDS

First, second and third place trophies will be awarded for each division in which there are 3 or more qualifiers. If 10 or more boats qualify, a 4th place will be awarded; and a 5th place for 13 or more qualifiers. Participants will be notified in November of the time and location of the awards dinner.

AMENDMENTS

Additions or changes to the sailing instructions and Scratch Sheet will be posted on the EBYRA web site (EBYRA.COM) by 6:30 PM on the Wednesday of the race.

ADMINISTRATION

Eastchester Bay Yacht Racing Association, Inc., P.O. Box 126 , City Island , NY 10464 . The organizing authority may establish themselves as members of the Race Committee or a Protest Committee when necessary.

INFORMATION

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SAFETY

On any given night, the combination of wind, water and tide may mitigate against yachts of certain size and/or draft and it is the obligation of each yacht to decide when participating is both safe and prudent. All yachts, regardless of size, are required to meet navigation light requirements as specified in Coast Guard COLREGS for vessels greater than (7) seven meters.