



Essex Double-Handed Challenge

Sunday September 13, 2020

Organizing Authority (OA): Essex YC

Notice of Race

- Rules** The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*. The Essex Yacht Club strongly recommends that entrants comply with the *US Safety Equipment Requirements for Nearshore Races* available at www.ussailing.org or at www.yachtscoring.com. Boats will be permitted to use self-steering and power winches. This changes rule 52.
- Eligibility** The regatta is open to all boats with a valid 2020 ECSA PHRF or NEMA Rating Certificate.
- Classes** There will be Double Handed spinnaker and Double Handed non-spinnaker classes.
- Entries** **Entries must be made on the event website at www.yachtscoring.com.** Entries must be received by 1200, Saturday September 12, 2020. The entry fee is \$40 per yacht (\$35 if member of USSA). Late entries shall be subject to a late entry fee of \$20. PHRF entrants must have a 2020 ECSA PHRF certificate posted on the [ECSA website](http://www.ecsa.org). On request, the OA will assign a PHRF rating for this regatta for any entries from outside the ECSA area who provide a current rating certificate from their regional PHRF authority. Multi-hull entries must have a valid NEMA certificate on the [NEMA website](http://www.nema.org).
- Schedule** The First Warning will be at 1200 hours. There will be one race.
- Courses** The starting area will be approximately ¼ mile west of the Old Saybrook Outer Light. Courses will be point-to-point around government marks.
- Sailing Instructions** Sailing Instructions and scratch sheets will be available at the event website at www.yachtscoring.com and will be available from the Race Committee Boat prior to the First Warning.
- Scoring** Boats will be scored using PHRF or NEMA Time on Time handicaps as appropriate.
- Prizes** Individual prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in classes with at least 5 boats competing. The Loubenvar Trophy will be awarded to the Essex Yacht Club boat with the best corrected time. There will be special 1st and 2nd place prizes for boats sailed by 2 members of the same immediate family (a group of relations which include a person's parents, siblings, spouses, and children). These will be awarded to the boats in the fleet which beat the highest and second highest number of boats in their class.
- Awards** Awards will be presented at the north lawn of the Essex Yacht Club at 1800 on Sunday, September 13, 2020. There will be no party.
- Moorings/Dockage** Free moorings and dock space are available at the Essex Yacht Club on a first come - first served basis. Call the EYC Waterfront Manager at (860) 581-4612 for details.