



**INDIAN HARBOR YACHT CLUB**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Geartester Distance Race**  
**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

*Test it, then Bust it*

**NOTICE OF RACE**  
*as amended 5/20/22*

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 **Indian Harbor Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.**
- 1.3 The measurement rules and ratings will be PHRF distance Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker and Double-Handed rules and ratings as administered by the YRA of LIS.
- 1.4 The race shall serve as a qualifier for the YRA of LIS Windigo, Sagola, du Moulin, King's Point, Mertz and Youth Challenge Cup trophies.
- 1.5 Participants shall be required to comply with current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Nearshore Category Races, available online:  
<https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Monohull-SER-2022.0-Nearshore.pdf>
  - 1.5.1 Add to US Sailing SER 3.19.1: If no magnetic compass is permanently mounted, a handheld magnetic compass, suitable for steering at sea, may be used.
- 1.6 Each boat shall fly from her backstay, six or more feet above deck, a numeral pennant corresponding to her class as designated by the Scratch Sheet.
- 1.6 One design class(es) may be included, provided there are five or more entries. If applicable, one design class(es) shall comply with class rules. Any one design class will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.
- 1.7 All boats shall carry a working VHF radio capable of communicating on various channels.

**2. DOUBLE HANDED EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS & RESTRICTIONS**

- 2.1 Crew limit is two persons, one of whom must be 18 years of age or older.
- 2.2 Wind vanes or electric self-steering devices may be used.
- 2.3 Jacklines must be rigged both port and starboard, and run from the cockpit to the bow.

**3. PLUS ONE CREW RESTRICTIONS**

- 3.1 PHRF Plus One class(es) shall be included provided there are five or more entries.
- 3.2 Plus One entrants sail with a maximum number aboard equal to the first digit of a boat's rated length over all plus one. For example, a 36' boat can have up to four crew.
- 3.3 In the event that a minimum number of PHRF Plus One entries is not reached, participants will be added to the appropriate PHRF spinnaker class unless the Organizing Authority is notified otherwise in writing prior to 1700 May 20, 2022. Email IHYC Sailing Director [hmillette@indianharboryc.com](mailto:hmillette@indianharboryc.com)

**4. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES**

- 4.1 The race is open to monohull boats owned by, or under charter to, members of the YRA of LIS.
- 4.2 Eligible fleets may include PHRF Fully Crewed/Spinnaker, PHRF Plus One/Spinnaker, Double-Handed/Spinnaker, PHRF Fully Crewed/Non-Spinnaker, and any One Design class(es) (subject to 1.6).
- 4.3 Entry is via [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com).
- 4.4 Entry must be completed by 2359 Thursday, May 19, 2022.
- 4.5 Entry fee is \$95.

## 5. SCHEDULE

**1155hrs**

Following Racing

**First Signal**

Complimentary beer, snacks, and awards ceremony.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & SCRATCH SHEETS

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available beginning on or before May 20, 2022 online via [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) and [indianharboryc.com](http://indianharboryc.com).
- 6.2 The Final Scratch Sheet will be available no later than 1700 May 20, 2022 online via [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com).
  - 6.2.1. A Provisional Scratch Sheet will be available online **but is subject to change up until this deadline.**

## 7. COURSES, MARKS, & OBSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Courses will be between **6** and **26** nautical miles depending on conditions.
- 7.2 Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.3 The start line will be east of Little Captain Island **outside** Captain Harbor between Flat Neck Point Shoal RN "2" (near 40°59.746N/073°35.479W) and a yellow flag on the signal boat.
- 7.4 The finish line will be **inside** Captain Harbor between RN "2" (near 40°59.905N/073°37.277W) and a yellow flag on the finish boat located near RN "2". Note: This NOT the same RN "2" as used for the start.
- 7.5 The line extending from the eastern shore of Great Captain Island to the western shore of Little Captain Island is deemed to be a continuing obstruction and shall not be transited.
- 7.6 GB1(Little Captain Island East Reef Lighted Gong Buoy 1), N2 (Captain Harbor Flat Neck Point Shoal Buoy RN "2"), and 1A (Hen And Chickens Buoy 1a) shall be passed on the channel side.

## 8. MOORINGS

Complimentary guest moorings are available from 1200hrs Friday, May 20, to 1200hrs Sunday, May 22, 2021. Reservations must be made through [Dockwa](http://Dockwa). A credit or full refund will be applied once the reservation is made. Longer-term moorings related to the event are available at a discounted event fee of \$25/night.

## 9. PRIZES

- 9.1 First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for each class.
- 9.2 For fleets with five or more entries having finished both the Geartester and Gearbuster, prizes will be awarded at the Indian Harbor prize awards dinner to the boat in each fleet deemed by the Organizing Authority to have had the best combined fleet performance.

## 10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See *RRS 3 & 4*. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

## 11. PHOTOGRAPHER & MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of them or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

## 12. CONTACT INFORMATION

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Organizing Authority: Indian Harbor YC

Technical Committee: PHRF Technical Committee, Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound