

The Annual Thursday Night Race Series

## 2024 Notice of Race

The Thursday Night Series is open to all seaworthy monohull sailing yachts. The Series is comprised of Nine (9) races. All races start and finish off Bayview Yacht Club, in the Detroit River, Detroit, Michigan, USA.

Race dates are scheduled for the following dates: May 23rd, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, September 12<sup>th</sup>, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Management Rules:** All races will be governed by the Sailing Instructions and *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024,* including US Sailing Prescriptions, except as stated herein. The races will be managed by the BYC Thursday Night Race Committee, which will have the authority to establish the racing conditions and interpret the racing rules.

**<u>Registration</u>**: All entrants must register for the 2024 Series Races. **All registrations must be through** <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u>. <u>You must register before you race!!</u> No retroactive scoring of races will <u>occur for non-registered boats</u>.

Sailing Instructions will be posted to the BYC website at <u>www.byc.com</u> and on <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u>. You must register at <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u>.

## All entrants must sign the "Agreement to Assume Risk" via the electronic registration process to be eligible for the series.

**Race Results, Changes, Handicapping:** Race results (subject to protests) will usually be available on www.yachtscoring.com and may be posted on the BYC Bar Bulletin Board. The low point scoring system is used for calculation of series standings. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted to the same BYC Bulletin Board and website race section. If there are errors or omissions in the results or registration information, contact the Race Chair listed below.*If you do not have a current PHRF rating, the BYC Thursday Night Race Committee will provide one based on boat type, modifications and credits. Answer all handicapping questions accurately and completely .<u>Membership in and handicapping by Midwest PHRF is strongly encouraged</u>. More Midwest PHRF information is available at https://www.mwphf.org/.* 

**Sails Allowed:** All classes racing under PHRF are to use Jib and Main Only (JAM). Ultimate 20 class may use class spinnakers.

**<u>Classes and Starts</u>**: 2024 class splits and start times will be as outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

**<u>Courses</u>**: Course/Class assignments are set forth in the Thursday Night Series Sailing Instructions. An illustrative map of the course with relevant approximate BYC buoy locations, bearings and distances is available as part of the Sailing Instructions.

**Interference with Shipping, Violations of Inland Rules of the Road:** Competitors *shall not interfere* with commercial shipping transiting the racing area at any time. Any boat not complying with the Sailing Instructions on this very important matter may be subject to protest by the Race Committee and may be reported to the Coast Guard.