

# THE HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB

# 38th Annual Mayor's Cup Race

**Sunday, June 9, 2024** 

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

The Halloween Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority for this event.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the current PHRF Regulations as administered by YRA of LIS, and the US Sailing Safety Equipment Regulations for Near Shore events. Rules may be changed by this Notice of Race and/or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Rule 41 is amended per NoR 9.

## 2. RACE MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority is responsible for race management.
- 2.2 The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 05A.

# 3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The series is open to all mono-hull sailboats 20' LOA (18' for Catboats) or over.
- 3.2 Every boat shall have a current YRALIS PHRF certificate.

## 4. RATINGS and DIVISIONS

- 4.1 There will be spinnaker, non-spinnaker and catboat divisions. Divisions may be divided into classes.
- 4.2 Current YRA of LIS PHRF ratings will be used.
- 4.3 Catboats shall sail without handicaps.

## 5 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 All boats shall comply with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) for Near Shore events.
- 5.2 Every boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of sending and receiving on Channels 13, 16 and 05A.

#### 6. ENTRY PROCESS

Boats enter by completing the entry form on the event's site on YachtScoring.com and paying the fee by 1800, Wednesday, June 5th. At the discretion of the Organizing Authority, late entries may be accepted.

# 7. FEES

7.1 The fees are: \$60.00 per boat. Late Entry Fee = fee plus 50%. Entries canceled before the regular entry deadline may request 75% fee refunds.

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event's site on YachtScoring.com.

## 9. OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION

RRS 41, OUTSIDE HELP, is changed by adding: (e) Help in the form of information freely available to all boats even if that information is only accessible at a cost. "At a cost" help shall not include private forecast or tactical advice, or information customized for a particular boat or group of boats and/or her/their current situation.

## 10. SCHEDULE

10.1 The First Signal is scheduled for 1120 at the Start Mark which shall be approximately halfway between Red Bell "32" (The Cows) and Red Bell "32A" (Mid-Sound).

## 11. RECEPTION & PRIZES

- 11.1 Following the race, there will be a reception at the Halloween Yacht Club, 10 Seaview Avenue, Stamford. Sailing attire is appropriate. HYC looks forward to welcoming all race participants.
- 11.2 The winners of prizes will be recognized in a ceremony to be held after any protest hearings occurring immediately after the race.
- 11.3 One or more prizes will be awarded in each class having a qualified race. Prizes will be awarded to finishers in second place in a class having at least three starters and in third place in a class having at least four starters. The Mayor's Cup for the spinnaker division and the Stamford Cup for the non-spinnaker division, both permanent trophies displayed at HYC, will be awarded to the boat winning the most competitive class race in its division, as determined by the percentages of corrected times between the first and second place boats. The winning boats' names will be engraved on the permanent trophies.

## 12. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Halloween Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. (See RRS Part 1 - 3. DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.