

PWJrYC Twilight Big Boat Regatta ***Tuesday, August 1, 2017***

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Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020,
 - 1.1.1 The prescriptions of US Sailing,
 - 1.1.2 The PHRF Minimum Safety Equipment Recommendations of the Y.R.A. of Long Island Sound: Category B,
 - 1.1.3 The current Rules for JSA Events, except as modified by the sailing instructions. Specific attention is directed to RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 and 4, which state: "1.1 A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger. & 4. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
 - 1.1.4 The Minimum Safety and Equipment Recommendations of the YRA of LIS Rule 4.0 will be changed as follows: see JSA Rules for PHRF Events, Appendix F. All persons on each boat must wear a personal flotation device while on deck.

2. RACE MANAGEMENT

- 2.1.1 The Organizing Authority is the Port Washington Yacht Club.
- 2.1.2 The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 74.
- 2.1.3 The coast guard can be reached on VHF Channel 16.

3. RATINGS

- 3.1.1 The current PHRF of YRA of LIS ratings will be used.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1.1 Yacht Eligibility: the race is open to yachts owned by the following: a member of a YRALIS member club, a member of a recognized contiguous sailing association, a member of an association that is a member of JSA or a community sailing program that is a member of JSA.
- 4.1.2 Yachts shall be no less than 27 feet LOA and no more than 45 feet LOA. The OA reserves right to include vessels outside this size range.
- 4.1.3 Yachts shall have permanently installed and functioning: head, navigation lights, and VHF radio.
- 4.1.4 Yachts will have a current YRALIS PHRF certificate or current equivalent PHRF certificate from a recognized sailing association, without this certificate you can not be scored.
- 4.1.5 The Organizing Authority shall have the right to reject any entry for any reason.
- 4.1.6 ADVISOR/CREW ELIGIBILITY: The eligibility requirement for this regatta does not adhere to JSA Appendix F for PHRF Events, as such each Yacht must have aboard at least two senior advisors ("Advisors"), one of whom shall be the Boat Owner or a designated Owner's Representative (must be at least 18 years old), who must be capable of taking command of the yacht in emergency conditions; and other(s) of whom shall be at least 18 years old and

experienced in racing keelboats. An owner representative can only be designated if the certification is signed and forwarded with entry.

4.1.7 Instructors may serve as Advisors.

4.1.8 All junior sailors (“Juniors”) and their instructor advisors shall be members of JSA, or members of the YRA of LIS or US Sailing members or members of a recognized contiguous junior sailing association.

4.1.9 Each Yacht shall be skippered and crewed by Juniors who are at least 14 years old and at most 18 years old; ages for juniors are determined by the last day of the current calendar year.

4.1.10 For boats over 35 feet, it is recommended that there be at least three advisors.

4.1.11 Crew recommendations:

- a Boats under 35 feet: no more than 8 junior crewmembers
- b Boats 35 – 42 feet: no more than 10 junior crewmembers
- c Boats over 42 feet: no more than 12 junior crewmembers

5. OWNER, OWNER’S REPRESENTATIVE AND ADVISOR RESPONSIBILITY

5.1 For the purposes of this section, the Boat Owner shall include the Owner’s Representative.

5.2 The Boat Owner or its representative is responsible for the safety of the yacht and its crew as well as the conduct of the crew before and during the race, and compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

5.3 The Boat Owner or designated Owners Representative, has the final say in matters pertaining to the safety of the crew and the boat. (RRS Fundamental Rule 4)

5.4 The Advisors/Owners shall refrain from assisting the junior sailors with racing strategies and steering except when a safety issue is involved.

5.5 If safety is a factor, the Owner or Advisor may take the helm, issue orders, use the engine, or take any appropriate action. Any such intervention should be recorded, in detail, in the log. At the very least, such detail shall include the GPS coordinates and time for both the start and finish of the period in which the adult advisor intervenes under this section. Immediately upon finishing, the yacht shall inform the race committee that an owner/advisor intervention has occurred and that there will be a submission. The judges will evaluate the situation to determine if a time adjustment or other penalty is required. Such action will not be grounds for automatic disqualification.

6. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

6.1 All Yachts shall comply with Minimum Equipment & Safety Recommendations of the Y.R.A. of Long Island Sound: Category B.

7. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

7.1 The navigator shall be permitted to use GPS to assist in the navigation, however, computer-based routing programs are not permitted.

8. ENTRY PROCESS

Eligible boats may enter by completing the required entry forms and sending it yachtscoring.com.

8.1 The entry will not be complete until all four required documents have been delivered and all fees paid via yachtscoring.com. Entry form documents include:

- a Entry Form
- b Signed Boat Owner Certification and Waiver.
- c Current, Valid YRALIS PHRF Certificate.
- d Liability Waivers for each crew member. If a JSA Member use standard JSA Waiver, if not, use standard Waiver provided by Regatta Chair.

8.2 Entries will be accepted until 6:00 PM, Monday, July 31, 2017 via yachtscoring.com. After this point, it will be the discretion of the RC as to whether to accept any boats. Late applications questions should be communicated with Chuck McCarthy cell 516-428-6396 and chuck.mccarthy@me.com. Under no circumstances are applications accepted on the water the day of the race! Sailing instructions will be available to entered yachts on the JSA Website www.jsalis.org, at PWYC www.pwyc.com and yachtscoring.com.

8.3 All fees must be paid before a yacht may start.

8.4 A current YRALIS PHRF Rating Certificate shall accompany the Entry Form.

8.5 Copies of a completed and signed 2017 JSA Waiver form must be submitted with the entry form for each of the junior crew members if they are members.

9. FEES

9.1 The entry fee shall be \$75 per boat.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the JSA, PWYC and yachtscoring.com websites. There will be no formal skipper's meeting. All information will be posted on the websites. The Start will be at Green Can "1" North of Execution Rocks.

11. COMMUNICATION

11.1 Each Yacht shall have at least one radio capable of receiving automatic weather alerts and tone alarms.

11.2 Each Yacht shall monitor both Channels 16 and 74.

11.3 An Owner/Advisor on each Yacht shall have an on-board cell phone, the number of which shall be provided on the entry form.

12. SCHEDULE

12.1 The Start will be at Green Can "1" North of Execution Rocks. A one time Pre-Warning five minute signal for all divisions will sound at approximately 1800 hours. At approximately 1805 hours the warning signal (appropriate division flag) for the first division starting sequence will sound.

13. LIABILITY RELEASE

13.1 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Port Washington 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. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Port Washington Yacht Club and the JSA of LIS and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant. Port Washington bears no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to yachts or their personnel arising from any cause during the race.

Regatta Chair

Chuck McCarthy

**Principal Race
Officer**

Chris Brady

BOAT OWNER CERTIFICATION AND WAIVER

I, _____ as the Boat Owner of the yacht _____, racing in the PWYC Twilight Keel Boat Regatta acknowledge that I have read the rules pertaining to this race, and hereby agree to abide by the restrictions thereby imposed. I further certify that all requirements set forth in sailing instructions have been met and the yacht _____ is equipped in accordance with the government regulations for a vessel of her size and type, that she carries all equipment called for in the Notice of Race and that she is, to the best of my knowledge, in all respects seaworthy.

If I, the Boat Owner am not on board, I authorize _____, to be my owner representative and this representative also agrees to abide by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for this Regatta.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization or official) involved with the event with respect to any personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers for any liability for such injury or damage.

Owner Signature:
(print below)

Date: