



BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB

Announces

The Annual Thursday Night Race Series

2012 Notice of Race

The Thursday Night Series is open to all seaworthy monohull sailing yachts. The Thursday Night Series is comprised of ten (10) races. All races start and finish off Bayview Yacht Club, in the Detroit River, Detroit, Michigan, USA.

Race dates are scheduled on: May 10th and 24th, June 14th, 21st and 28th, July 26th, August 2nd and 16th, and September 13th and 20th.

Management Rules: All races will be governed by the Sailing Instructions and *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*, 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.

Registration: All entrants must register for the 2012 Series Races. **All registrations must be through www.yachtscoring.com. No retroactive scoring of races will occur for non registered boats. You must register before you race.**

Sailing Instructions can be found on the BYC website: www.byc.com and copies will be available at the BYC Bar. You must register at www.yachtscoring.com . 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 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. Membership in and handicapping by DRYA is strongly encouraged. More DRYA information is available at www.drya.org.*

Sails Allowed: All classes racing under PHRF are to use Jib and Main Only (JAM). Ultimate 20 and Melges 24 classes may use class spinnakers.

Classes and Starts: 2012 class splits and start times will be as outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

Courses: Course/Class assignments are set forth in the Thursday Night Series Sailing Instructions. There are no changes in courses and mark locations from the 2011 Series. 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.

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