

# Notice of Race/Sailing Descriptions Racing at Chelsea Yacht Club – 2017

(In case of conflict, the 2017 CYC Sailing Instructions shall govern.)

ALL RACES START AT 1:30 P.M. EXCEPT THE LONG DISTANCE Races AND THE CHELSEA OPEN

## Series Races

Four races with one score excluded for each series. No scores will be excluded if a series has three or fewer races. The first four races constitute the A Series; the next four constitute the B Series, and so on through the season. Any race cancelled or abandoned for any reason will be sailed on the next scheduled "Series Race" day.

For the overall season scoring, the same number of scores will be excluded as were excluded in the series races, but they may be different scores than those excluded in scoring a series. Scoring for the day when you are on Race Committee is your average score for THE SERIES when scoring a series, but your average score for THE SEASON when scoring the season championships. Similarly, the Score for boats not coming to the starting area (DNC) shall be one more than the number of boats that sailed in the best attended race of THE SERIES when scoring a series, but one more than the number of boats that sailed in the best attended race of THE SEASON when scoring the season championships.

**Scoring** for REGULAR SERIES RACES : The A, B, and C Fleets will be done using the PHRF Time on Distance System. Corrected time will be calculated from elapsed times using the formula: Corrected Time = Elapsed Time - (PHRF# \* Distance).

**Scoring** for all other races will be PHRF Time on Time System using the formula :  $600 / (550 + \text{PHRF})$

All boats in the PHRF A, B, and C Fleets must have a PHRF certificate issued by the Hudson River Yacht Racing Association (HRYRA) no earlier than January 1, 2016 or a temporary PHRF handicap issued by the CYC Fleet Captain. A temporary PHRF certificate MUST be filled out completely by the master/owner of the boat prior to the CYC Fleet Captain issuing a temporary PHRF Certificate.

All CYC members are encouraged to participate regardless of their experience level. The CYC Fleet Captain will provide temporary PHRF cert for any boat and skipper participating in CYC racing events in their first year. (first year racers does NOT mean, new boat owners) PHRF numbers assigned by the CYC Fleet Captain are not valid for racing in the HRYRA divisions at the CYC Open Regatta and cannot be appealed. ***These races are qualifiers for the 2017 Overall Season Champion***

## Fleets

There will be five fleets for series racing:

1. PHRF A: Spinnaker Fleet which sails the maximum course lengths.
2. PHRF B: Non-Spinnaker Fleet for boats with PHRF numbers of 225 and below and which sails an intermediate course length.
3. PHRF C: Non-Spinnaker Fleet for boats with higher PHRF numbers 228 and above or for less experienced skippers (by agreement by the CYC Fleet Captain).
4. Ensign Fleet: a One Design Fleet for any boat meeting the Ensign Class rules.
5. \*\*\*NEW\*\*\*.Cruisin Fleet. Any boat can enter a race...no handicap, no time, just complete the course. Each time you complete a race (going around the marks correctly, you will receive 1 point. At the end of the season, the boat with the most points, wins.) Crusin Fleet boats CAN NOT Qualify for Season Overall standings.

**The CYC Fleet Captain may make the final determination as to which fleet a boat/racer belongs.**

## Trophies

Only one trophy will be awarded to a member each year. Engraving on that trophy will indicate all the awards won throughout the season. Trophies will be awarded for all series with at least 2 races. Overall or season trophies will be awarded for each fleet with trophies for at least first, second and third place. The number of trophies that will be awarded in each fleet for series races, special races and beyond three places for season trophies will be calculated as follows:

<u>Average Number of Boats Racing</u>	<u>Number of Trophies Awarded</u>
2.0 – less than 4.0	1
4.0 – less than 6.0	2
6.0 – less than 9.0	3
9.0 – less than 12.0	4
12.0 or more	5

## Overall CYC Club Champion:

An overall CYC Club Champion Trophy shall be awarded to the CYC competitor who has the best overall season score using the Cox-Sprague scoring system based on the number of competitors they have defeated in a given race. A

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minimum number of races must be scored to qualify for this trophy including at least EIGHT Series Races and 50% of the following races : the Long Distance Races, the Three holiday Series Races and the Pursuit to the Party Race. Of the Long Distance, Holiday and Pursuit to the Party races, the 50% with the competitor's best scores will be counted.

### **Chelsea Open Regatta**

The CYC Open Regatta will be held on June 10, and June 11, 2017. This HRYRA event is open to all sailboats. HRYRA fleets will have two or more races on Saturday and one or more races on Sunday. No race shall start after 1500 on Saturday and 1400 on Sunday. CYC Open, Ensign and centerboard fleets will have no more than two races on Saturday and no more than 1 race on Sunday. There will be HRYRA PHRF 1, 2, and 3 fleets (only for those with 2017 HRYRA PHRF certificates), and one-design fleets for Ensigns. If at least three boats register for each fleet, we will also have an OPEN keel/cruisers fleet On Saturday night of the CYC Open, CYC will host a party open to ALL competitors, their crews, CYC Members, their families and guests.

### **HRYRA Series” or “H Series” or “Home Series”**

When a regatta is scheduled at another club which is a member of HRYRA, no “Regular Series Race” will be scheduled at CYC. However, there will be “fun” races scheduled on those Sundays called “H”, or “Home” Series. The H Series races do not count for the overall season scoring, but trophies will be awarded for the H Series itself. There will be H Series races for the A, B, C and Ensign Fleets.

### **Holiday Races**

Holiday Races will be single start, using PHRF Time on Time scoring. This is a fun opportunity to race against boats you normally do not race against. ALL BOATS SHALL RACE NON SPINNAKER using your phrf handicap number with NO non spinnaker adjustment. Trophies will be awarded for each of the three Holiday Races as well as for the overall Holiday Series. ***These races are qualifiers for the 2017 Overall Season Champion***

### **Single Handed Races**

No crew allowed! No one to yell at, no one to blame! No auto pilots allowed. There will be Single-Handed races for each fleet. Scoring will be Time on Distance.

### **Long Distance Races**

There will be one distance race scheduled for those tired of going around the same old courses and feeling like we sailed every Sunday but we never went anywhere. One race will be held in the Fall. Races will start at 11:00 A.M. For A, B, and Ensign Fleets, the course will be to “C Mark” (leave to PORT) , south to Bannerman’s Island (rounding a CYC Club Mark to PORT) and Finish back at CYC. For the C Fleet, or for ALL FLEETS if the wind speed is 5 knots or below at the start of the race, the course will be to “C Mark” (leave to PORT), “X Mark” (south of the bridge, leave to PORT) and Finish back at CYC. There will be a Long Distance start for each fleet and each fleet will be scored separately. The Race Committee’s intent will be choose a course that will provide at least 4 hours of racing, with a time limit of 6 hours to finish the race. Races will NOT be shortened after the start but may be abandoned.

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### **The New Hamburg Invitational Race and Rally**

New this year, this race will start at CYC and finish in the vicinity of New Hamburg Yacht Club with a party to follow at NYHC. This is a STAND ALONE Race and will not count towards any end of the year Trophies. This race will be scored Time on Time and have individual Fleet starts. Awards will be presented following the race.

### **Last Chance Race**

Scheduled as the last series race of the season (October 8, 2017) and part of a Regular Series)The Joe Hayes Trophy will be awarded for this race, but only to the boat who has won no other trophy will be eligible. All fleets will participate.

### **Pursuit to the Party Race**

The LAST race of the CYC season (Oct. 15, 2017) will be the Pursuit to the Party Race, a Pursuit Style Race where, based on PHRF handicaps, the slowest boat in the fleet starts first and the fastest boat in the fleet starts last. ALL BOATS WILL RACE NON SPINNAKER, All boats will sail the SAME course (the course will be chosen so that ALL boats can finish!!) and the first boat to finish is the winner. Afterwards, there will be an onshore party celebrating the end of the racing season. ***This race is a Qualifier for the 2017 Overall Season Champion.***

### **Wednesday Night Racing Series**

Races will be held on Wednesday evenings starting on May 17, 2017. Launch service will be provided from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00p.m. Racing will continue through September 27,2017

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Time: Wednesday Nights Race Series will have 2 fleet Starts. First Gun will be no earlier than 6:30PM from May thru the end of August and no earlier than 6:00 the rest of the season. Please be aware that we make these changes. The changes are announced usually the week in advance as the sunset hour changes. There

Signals: The courses will be announced over the radio as well as displayed on the RC Boat. Flags will be used for the starting sequence. Spinnaker Fleet will use A Fleet Flag and Non-Spinnaker Fleet will use B Fleet Flag. Race Committees MAY ALSO Choose to use the VHF Radio to call the starts in conjunction with the flag signals. Race Committees for Wednesday Night Racing will use the Race Committee Boat and start the races at "S" Mark. The yellow pin which is now be referred to as "Y" mark will be set and MAY be a mark of the course.

Time Limits: The starts cannot be postponed longer than 45 minutes. The first boat to finish must finish within 1½ hours after start.

Scoring: PHRF Time on Time. There are no trophies awarded. These races are fun races with fun awards given out throughout the season. All are invited to race and be scored. (SEE SCORING for ToT formula)

Boat Eligibility: I have offered sailboats from the neighboring clubs and marinas the opportunity to race with us on Wednesday Nights. Any boat that is NOT a CYC owned boat will either have a valid HRYRA PHRF certificate or one will be provided to them by the CYC Fleet Captain for use during the sailing season. All non CYC sailboats MUST be fully insured and submit a copy of their insurance prior to racing at CYC.

**Race Committee: Race committee is assigned based on last year's competitors and their crew. Please have your crew mates serve with you. If you race and are not assigned please speak up to volunteer and be put on the substitution list.**

**Notes: Assignments can be changed/rescheduled if needed. Responsibility rests with the chairman listed for that race. Chairman listed for each race will be responsible for getting his/her crew to assist.**

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