



Chelsea Yacht Club
****Notice of Race****
May 19th - October 13th, 2019

1. Rules

- 1.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The 2019 CYC Sailing Instructions will apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. Races are open to boats of all types belonging to CYC members.
- 2.2. Unless noted otherwise, there will be five fleets for all races, including series racing:
 - 2.2.a. PHRF A: Spinnaker Fleet which sails the maximum course lengths.
 - 2.2.b. PHRF B: Non-Spinnaker Fleet for boats with PHRF numbers below 220 which sails an intermediate course length.
 - 2.2.c. PHRF C: Non-Spinnaker Fleet for boats with PHRF numbers of 220 or above, or for less experienced skippers (by agreement by the CYC Fleet Captain).
 - 2.2.d. Ensign Fleet: a One-Design Fleet for any boat meeting the Ensign Class Assoc. rules.
 - 2.2.e. The Open Centerboard Fleet.
 - 2.2.f. The CYC Fleet Captain may make the final determination as to which fleet a boat/racer belongs.

3. Classification.

- 3.1. Boats sailing in the PHRF A, B or C Fleets shall have a currently valid PHRF certificate issued by HRYRA or by YRALIS.
- 3.2. Boats sailing in the Ensign Fleet shall abide by the Ensign Class Rules.
- 3.3. The Open Centerboard Fleet shall be for all centerboard boats without cruising accommodations and without PHRF numbers.
- 3.4. All CYC members are encouraged to participate regardless of their experience level. A master/owner who has never previously raced as a skipper may apply for a temporary CYC PHRF certificate by completely filling out a PHRF application (available from the CYC Fleet Captain) and submitting it to the CYC Fleet Captain. PHRF numbers assigned by the CYC Fleet Captain are not valid for racing in the HRYRA divisions at the Chelsea Open Regatta and cannot be appealed.

4. Schedule

- 4.1. **Regular Series**, held every Sunday beginning May 19th, 2019. First gun at 1:30 PM. Individual start for fleets A, B, C, Ensign and Open Centerboard. These races are qualifiers for the Overall Season Champion
- 4.2. **Chelsea Open Regatta**, June 8 & 9, 2019. Notice of Race posted separately. This Hudson River Yacht Racing Association-sanctioned event is open to all.
 - 4.2.a. PHRF spinnaker fleets 1 and 2; and non-spinnaker fleet 3.
 - 4.2.b. Open Fleet non-spinnaker with of PHRF of 200 or greater which will not be eligible for overall HRYRA scoring.
 - 4.2.c. Ensign Fleet: a One-Design Fleet for any boat meeting the Ensign Class rules.
 - 4.2.d. 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.
 - 4.2.e. The Open and Ensign Fleet will have no more than two races on Saturday and no more than 1 race on Sunday.
 - 4.2.f. Chelsea Yacht Club will host a party open to all competitors, their crews, CYC Members, their families and guests on Saturday night, June 8th, 2019.
- 4.3. **Memorial Day Race**, May 27, 2019. First gun 1:30 PM. The first division shall be made up of all boats normally in the A Fleet or the Ensign Fleet and any others (using their NON-SPIN PHRF



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- number without any whisker pole credit) who want to fly a spinnaker. This division shall be scored using PHRF Time on Time and your SPIN PHRF number. The second division shall be made up of all other boats and spinnakers shall not be allowed. This division shall be scored using PHRF Time on Time and your NON-SPIN PHRF number. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.4. **Independence Day Race**, July 4, 2019. First gun 1:30 PM. All boats shall sail in one fleet with one start and will be scored using PHRF Time on Time using your NON-SPIN PHRF number with no further adjustments. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.5. **Labor Day Race**, September 2, 2019. First gun 1:30 PM. Spinnakers allowed. All boats shall sail in one fleet with one start and shall be scored using PHRF Time on Time and their SPIN PHRF number. Boats without a SPIN PHRF number and boats who elect, at the skippers' meeting prior to the race, not to use their spinnaker will receive a 30 second credit (i.e. add 30 to your NON-SPIN PHRF number if you elect not to use a spinnaker). Boats without a SPIN number who elect to fly a spinnaker will be scored using their NON-SPIN PHRF number without any whisker pole adjustment. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.6. **Single Handed Race**, July 20, 2019. First gun 1:30 PM. No crew allowed! No one to yell at, no one to blame! No autopilots! There will be Single-Handed races offered for each fleet. PHRF fleets will be scored using the PHRF Time on Distance system.
- 4.7. **Long Distance Race**, August 24, 2019, First Gun 11:00 AM. For those tired of going around the same old courses and feeling like we sailed every Sunday but we never went anywhere.
- 4.7.a. A Fleet Course: north to "C Mark" (leave to PORT), south to Bannerman's Island (rounding a CYC Club Mark to PORT) and Finish back at CYC.
- 4.7.b. B, C, Ensign and Open Centerboard Fleet, or all fleets if the wind speed is 5 knots or less at the start of the race: The course will be to "C Mark" (leave to PORT), a CYC Club Mark (leave to PORT) just south of the Newburgh/Beacon bridge, and Finish back at CYC.
- 4.7.c. There will be a Long Distance start for each fleet and each fleet will be scored separately. The Race Committee's intent will be to 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. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.8. **New Hamburg Invitational Race and Rally**, August 3rd, First gun 2:00 PM. The 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.
- 4.8.a. Individual Fleet starts for all fleets.
- 4.8.b. Race will be scored Time on Time.
- 4.8.c. Awards will be presented following the race.
- 4.9. **Last Chance Race**, October 6, 2019. First gun 1:30 PM. The last Regular Series race of the season. The Joe Hayes Trophy will be awarded for this race. Only boats who have won no other trophy during the season will be eligible for the trophy. All fleets will participate. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.10. **Pursuit to the Party Race**, Oct. 13, 2018. Starting gun 1:30 PM. 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. Following the race there will be an onshore party celebrating the end of the racing season. This race is a qualifier for the Overall Season Champion.
- 4.10.a. All boats will race non-spinnaker.
- 4.10.b. All boats will sail the same course (an appropriate course will be chosen to ensure that all boats can finish) and the first boat to finish is the winner.
5. **Sailing Instructions**. The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1:30 PM on Sunday, May 12, 2019 at www.chelseayacht.org/SailingInstructions and also distributed via email.



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6. **The Courses.** The courses are provided in the CYC Sailing Instructions, Attachment A.

7. **Scoring**

7.1. Regular Series Races:

7.1.a. A, B, and C Fleets will be scored using PHRF Time-on-Distance System. Corrected time will be calculated from elapsed times using the formula: Corrected Time = Elapsed Time - (PHRF# * Distance).

7.1.b. There will be up to four series of up to four races each with one score excluded in each four race series. No scores will be excluded if a series has three or fewer races.

7.1.c. 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 "Regular Series Race" day.

7.2. Non-series races will be scored using the PHRF Time-on-Time System using the formula: Corrected Time = Elapsed Time * (650/(550+PHRF)).

7.3. Scoring in the Open Centerboard Fleet will be done using the Portsmouth system and USPN numbers.

7.4. For Season scoring, the "number of boats entered in the series" as used in RRS A4.2 and A9 means the number that have registered in that fleet for at least one of the "Regular Series."

7.5. Race Committee (OOD) shall be your average score for the series when scoring a series, but your average score for the season when scoring the season championships.

7.6. Mentor (MNT). Experienced skippers in all fleets are encouraged to race as a mentor on the boat of an inexperienced or first-time racer. On the day you mentor an inexperienced or first-time racer on their boat, you are requested to contact the scorer via email (cycscorer@gmail.com) immediately following the race and provide the name, sail number and skipper name of the vessel on which you raced. Scoring for the day when you are a mentor will be your average score for the series when scoring a series, but your average score for the season when scoring the season championships.

8. **Radio Communications**

8.1. CYC Race Channel is VHF CH. 72.

8.2. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

9. **Prizes:**

9.1. Only one trophy will be awarded to a member each year. Engraving on that trophy will indicate all the awards won throughout the season, with the exclusion of HRYRA events and the New Hamburg Invitational which are awarded separately. Trophies will be awarded for all series with at least two 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:

9.1.a. Average Number of Boats Racing Number of Trophies Awarded

2 – less than 4	1
4 – less than 6	2
6 – less than 9	3
9 – less than 12	4
12 – or more	5

9. **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 minimum number of races must be scored to qualify for this trophy including at least 66% of Series Races and 50% of the following races: the Long Distance Race, the three Holiday 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.