



COMMODORE'S CUP
Drake H. Sparkman III Memorial Trophy
Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound
Saturday, July 29, 2017
Organizing Authority: American Yacht Club
Rye, NY



NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the PHRF 2017 Regulations and Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations (Category C) as administered by the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound ("YRALIS") and available at www.yralis.org, except as any of these are changed by the notice of race or the sailing instructions.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to Clubs who are members of the YRALIS. Each Club may send one boat and each boat must have a current YRALIS PHRF certificate.
- 2.2 Each boat must be helmed by a current or former Commodore, Vice Commodore or Rear Commodore (together a "Flag Officer") of the club it represents. If the boat is helmed by a former Flag Officer, that person must currently be a member of the club the boat represents.
- 2.3 Clubs may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it along with the boat's current PHRF certificate by 1200 on Thursday, July 27, 2017. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

3 FEES

There will be no entry fee.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Saturday, July 29, 2017 1155 (First Warning Signal)
- 4.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races with subsequent races starting after the conclusion of the prior race.
- 4.3 The awards ceremony will be held shortly after racing at American Yacht Club.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the American Yacht Club website (www.americanyc.org) after 1300 on Friday, July 28, 2017 and from race committee boats in the starting area.

6 VENUE

The racing area will be the waters off of Milton Harbor, Rye, NY.

7 FLAGS

Each boat shall fly the burgee of the club it represents on its backstay.

8 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward courses.

9 SCORING

One race will constitute a series.

10 PRIZES

The winner will be awarded the Drake H. Sparkman III Memorial Trophy.

11 BERTHING

Guest moorings are offered free of charge for the nights of July 28, and July 29, 2017. Please contact American Yacht Club Harbor Staff at (914) 967-4800 or email Bud Puterbaugh at bputerbaugh@americanyc.org.

12 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 16 and 71. Except in an emergency or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall neither make any type of electronic transmission while racing nor receive any type of electronic communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and similar devices.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 "Decision to Race"; that American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and sponsors will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and/or sponsors, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other American Yacht Club vessels, or patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Rear Commodore Thomas Blackwell, Event Chair, at (203) 521-9258 or thomasblackwell@sbcglobal.net.



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ENTRY FORM



Please complete and submit with boat's current PHRF certificate by 1200 on Thursday, July 27, 2017:

By fax to (914) 967-5340 attention "Commodore's Cup c/o Thomas Blackwell" or

By email to thomasblackwell@sbcglobal.net.

Yacht Club: _____

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Current PHRF Windward-Leeward Spinnaker Rating: _____

Flag Officer Helming (Title) : _____

Address: _____

Cellphone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For further information please contact Rear Commodore Thomas Blackwell (Event Chairman), at (203) 521-9258 or thomasblackwell@sbcglobal.net or visit www.americanyc.org.