



# 2015 Robie Pierce Women's Invitational Regatta

Thursday, May 28, 2015

Organizing Authority  
Larchmont Yacht Club & American Yacht Club

## Notice of Race

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016* and the Ideal 18 Class Rules, except as they are altered by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 Sections A, B and D of Appendix T will apply as changed
  - (i) Appendix T1 is changed in accordance with YRALIS One –Design sailing instruction 17.
  - (ii) Appendix T2.2 of Section B is changed as follows:
    - (a) 30%, if taken before the protest time limit and before the beginning of arbitration or a protest hearing involving the incident.
    - (b) 40%, if taken before the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- 1.3 Rule for has been modified to read “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers along; however, the Race Committee reserves to right to cancel racing at any time and for any reason.”

### 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 No competitor advertising will be permitted.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Skippers shall belong to their National Governing body.
- 3.2 All disabled sailors are eligible to compete.
  - a) Each boat shall have a skipper and crew who are disabled plus one able bodied (AB) member whose responsibility will be to assist in sailing the boat however required.
  - b) Participants are encouraged to provide their own ABs; but for those participants unable to provide an AB, the OA will provide one if requested no later than May 22, 2015.

### 4 ENTRIES AND FEES

- 4.1 Eligible skippers may enter by registering online at [www/robiepiercedesingregatta.com](http://www/robiepiercedesingregatta.com). For registration questions, call Siobhan Reilly at 203-661-2928.
- 4.2 Entry deadline is 1700 Monday, May 25, 2015.
- 4.3 There is no entry fee for this regatta.
- 4.4 A \$500 refundable damage deposit will be required for insurance purposes by each team.

### 5 CLASSES

- 5.1 Races will be conducted in Ideal 18s provided by the OA with appropriate adaptations. All boats are to be sailed as provided by the OA with the exception of pre-approved personal adaptations that may need to be added by a sailor for his/her safety and comfort while sailing.

5.2 Boats will be randomly assigned by the OA and then adapted reflecting the specific needs of that skipper and crew and sailed by that pair for the entire regatta. In the case of a severe breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted for the pair's original boat.

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online by Tuesday, May 26, 2015.

## **7 SCHEDULE**

All regatta events will be held at the American YC, Rye, NY

### Thursday, May 28

0800 – 0900 Registration and Continental Breakfast – Event Tent

0915 – Competitors' Meeting – the Event Tent

1000 – 1100 – Practice sailing

1100 – First Warning

1630 – Awards ceremony – Casual snacks, Heineken keg and cash bar—Event Tent

## **8 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be in the waters off Milton Harbor

## **9 COURSES**

Courses will be windward – leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10 SCORING**

10.1 One completed race shall constitute a series.

10.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races. If fewer than four races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 If four or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3 (b).

10.4 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and will be given two (2) points more than the number of finishers, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes rule 35.

## **11 PRIZES**

11.1 Prizes will be awarded for first through third place.

11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

## **12 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION**

Each team shall provide and carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF Channel 1. Except in an emergency, physical need, or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and data communication.

## **13 DOCKAGE AND LAUNCHING**

Moorings will be provided by Larchmont Yacht Club. If on moorings, boats will be brought to the dock that morning. All boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta unless the organizing authority deems it necessary to haul for repair.

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**15 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION**

15.1 Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.

15.2 Housing is available in member homes for those without adaptive needs. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at: <http://robiepiercedesignregatta.com> . Deadline for Housing Request is 1700, May 15, 2015

A limited number of special rate rooms have been reserved at nearby hotels. Reservations must be made no later than May 14, 2014 to ensure the rates. A complete list of hotels is available on the event website, [www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com](http://www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com). When making reservations, please state that you are with the Robie Pierce Regatta. The rate is subject to availability.

**16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye NY 10580. Telephone (914) 967-4800 Website [www.americanyc.org](http://www.americanyc.org)

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