



2019 Robie Pierce Women's Invitational Regatta

Thursday, May 30, 2019



Organizing Authority (OA):
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* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions will state that Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will apply.

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.

ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 All disabled sailors are eligible to compete.
- 3.2 Each boat shall have a skipper and crew who are disabled, plus one able bodied (AB) member whose responsibility will be for ballast and to perform physical functions the crew cannot.
- 3.3 In a boat helmed by a sighted person, both the helmsman and the disabled crew shall in fixed seats provided by the OA while racing. No coaching by the AB is allowed.
- 3.4 In a boat helmed by a blind sailor, the non-helming disabled crew member shall sit in a fixed seat while racing. Coaching by the AB is allowed.
- 3.5 No sailor classified as Group 3 according to WS Regulation 22 shall be allowed to sail as an AB.
- 3.6 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 Friday, May 17, 2019.

4 ENTRIES AND FEES

- 4.1 Eligible skippers may enter by registering online: www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com
For registration questions, contact Siobhan Reilly at (914) 329-2761 or reillyhere@gmail.com
- 4.2 The entry fee of \$150 per sailor is payable through Pay Pal at the time of online registration. The fee for ABs provided by participants will be \$100. Additional tickets may be purchased for all regatta food, beverages and functions for \$150 per person payable during check in.
- 4.3 The entry deadline is 1700 May 27, 2019. Entries received after that date must be approved by the OA and will be charged an additional \$50 per sailor.

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 no changes to standard rigging-- with the exception of pre-approved personal adaptations that may need to be added by a sailor for 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 serious breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted by the OA for the original boat.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online at www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com and www.americanyc.org by Tuesday, May 28, 2019.

7 SCHEDULE

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

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0800 – 0900	Registration and Continental Breakfast –Tent
0915	Competitors' Meeting –Tent
1000 – 1100	Practice sailing
1100	First Warning
1630	Awards ceremony – snacks, beer keg and cash bar – 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 constitutes a series.
- 10.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races. If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.4 Boats sailing any races with only one disabled sailor (and two ABs) will be assessed a 20% scoring penalty for those races. This changes RRS A5.

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 69. 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 American Yacht Club. If on moorings, boats will be brought to the dock that morning.

14 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club or Larchmont Yacht Club, 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 Larchmont Yacht Club and their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents 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

or Larchmont Yacht and their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY 10580, (914) 967-4800, or the website www.Americanyc.org

Rich Hulit and Hilary Davidson– Race Committee Co-Chairs
Bill Sandberg–Principal Race Officer
Siobhan Reilly, Bill Sandberg and Buttons Padin – Event Co-Chairs
John Fryer and Rob Fear– Protest Committee Chairmen

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.

Limited housing is available in member homes for those without special adaptive needs. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at: www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com. **Deadline for housing**

requests is 1700, Friday, May 17, 2019. For questions on housing, please contact Paula Fung at (914) 967-6948 (H) or (914)584-7227 (C) or lapaula84@aol.com. ADA rooms have been reserved at the Rye Town Hilton and Rye Courtyard Marriott at special prices. When making a reservation, mention the Robie Pierce Regatta. Rooms must be reserved no later than Wednesday, May 8, at which point any ADA rooms will be released and prices increased.