



2021 Fawcett's Friday Night Beer Can Series
Fridays, 7 May – 20 August 2021
Annapolis, MD



Organizing Authority: Eastport Yacht Club (EYC)

Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. One-design class rules will apply.
- 1.3. ORC rules are in effect for boats racing in ORC handicap classes.
- 1.4. Double headsails are not permitted in the Non-Spinnaker classes.
- 1.5. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available after 2000 hours on Friday, 30 April 2021 at <http://eastportyc.org/beer-cans>.

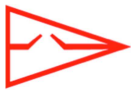
3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at <http://eastportyc.org/beer-cans>.
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, and 73.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. [NP] This race is open to boats of the following classes provided five (5) paid entries must be received by 1700 hours on Wednesday, 5 May 2021.

Spinnaker 1	Non-Spinnaker 1	Cal 25	V-Boats
Spinnaker 2	Non-Spinnaker 2	Harbor 20	ORC
- 4.2. Handicap class splits and the overall starting order will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.3. The V-Boats class will be comprised of boats from the Viper 640 and/or VxOne classes.
- 4.4. Competitors in handicap classes shall have a valid 2021 PHRF or ORC rating certificate.



- 4.5. Additional one-design classes will be accepted upon the receipt of five (5) paid entries by 1700 hours on Wednesday, 5 May 2021.
- 4.6. A boat will not be allowed to change classes (e.g., switch from Spinnaker 1 to Non-Spinnaker 1) after the first race is sailed.
- 4.7. New entries will be accepted after the first race is sailed and will be assigned to an existing class.
- 4.8. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at <http://eastportyc.org/beer-cans>.
- 4.9. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

- 5.1. The entry is \$125.
- 5.2. Refunds will not be granted for cancelled registrations.
- 5.3. Eastport Yacht Club, 317 First Street, Annapolis, MD, 21403, extends the courtesy of its bar and galley to race participants for post-race socials and awards presentations.

6 EVENT FORMAT

- 6.1. Twelve (12) races are scheduled.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1. A competitor's meeting will be hosted by the EYC RC via ZOOM on Tuesday, 4 May at 1900 hours. An email invitation with details for the ZOOM meeting will be sent to competitors no later than 1700 hours on Tuesday, 4 May.
- 7.2. The race schedule will be divided into two series.

Series 1		Series 2	
May	June	July	August
7 & 21	4, 11, 18, & 25	9, 16, 23 & 30	13 & 20

- 7.3. It is the intent of the Race Committee that the Warning Signal for the first class will be at 1815 hours, in the vicinity of Severn River G "9" QC.

8 VENUE

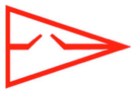
- 8.1. The event venue will be on the Severn River.
- 8.2. The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay, in the vicinity of the mouth of the Severn River as shown in NoR Attachment 1.

9 COURSES

- 9.1. Competitors will sail fixed mark courses on the Severn River.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 10.2. Hearings conducted in accordance with the rules of RRS Part 5, [Hearings & Decisions] will be virtual hearings and parties, parties' representatives and witnesses to such hearings shall have access to a device that has internet accessibility with au-



audio and video capability; parties and witnesses must use audio and video to appear before a hearing panel unless advised otherwise by the hearing panel. See *Eastport YC Online Hearing Guidelines - 2021* posted on the Official Notice Board.

11 SCORING

- 11.1. PHRF classes will be scored will be in accordance with the PHRF Time-on-Time Circular Random Course ratings.
- 11.2. ORC classes will be scored in accordance with ORC Time-on-Time Triple Number ratings.
- 11.3. The V-Boats class will be scored as a one-design class with no handicapping applied between the Viper 640 and VxOne boats.
- 11.4. For Series 1 and Series 2 results, a boat's worst score will be discarded if five (5) or more races are sailed.
- 11.5. For the Overall Season results, a boat's worst score will be discarded if five (5) or more races are sailed. A boat's worst two (2) scores will be discarded if nine (9) or more races are sailed.
- 11.6. RRS 90.3 (e) will apply with the time limit changed to 7 days. This changes RRS 90.3 (e).
- 11.7. Rule A5.3 does not apply.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1. Boats participate in the Fawcett's Friday Night Beer Can Series entirely at their own risk; see RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1. Weekly prizes will be distributed to the winning boat in each scored class.
- 14.2. An end of season party will be held at EYC on Friday, 10 September 2021, beginning at 1800 hours, depending upon local, state, and federal health and safety guidelines in effect at that time. Prizes for the Series 1, Series 2, and Overall results will be presented.
- 14.3. The Valhalla Project Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to a boat with the lowest total score at the end of the series and carrying a crew comprised of enough Armed Forces veterans to qualify for the award.
- 14.4. Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the Organizing Authority (OA).

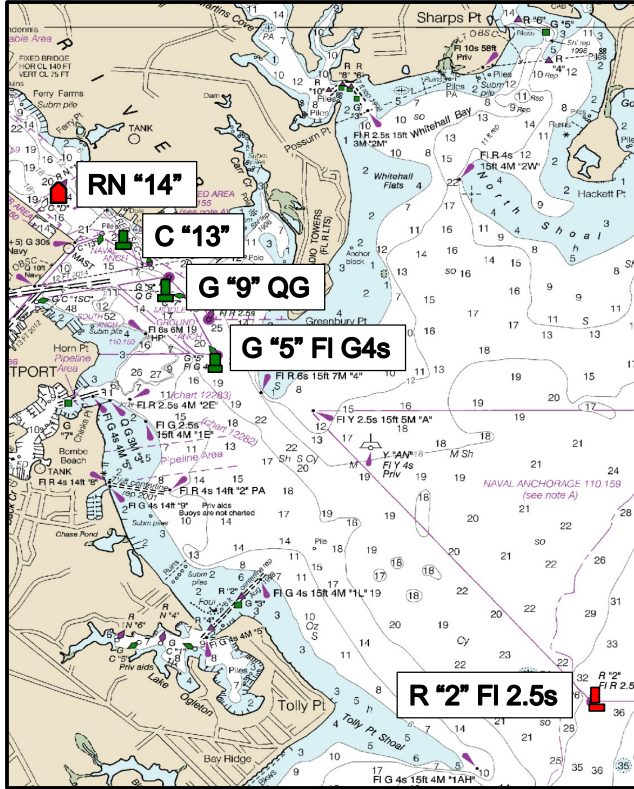
15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1. For further information please contact race.committee@eastportyc.org.



NoR Attachment 1

The racing area will be on the Chesapeake Bay in the vicinity of Severn River G "9" QC, shown in the diagram below. The approximate GPS coordinates are Latitude 38° 58.704' N, Longitude 076° 28.014' W.



Approximate GPS Coordinates

- RN "14"**: 38°59.152' N 076°28.669' W
- C "13"**: 38°58.928' N 076°28.414' W
- G "9" QC**: 38°58.704' N 076°28.014' W
- G "5" FI G4s**: 38°58.297' N 076°27.724' W
- R "2" FI R2.5s**: 38°56.501' N 076°25.484' W