

2024 Bill Volk Memorial Regatta

To Benefit the RAINE Foundation



Organizing Authority

Keyport Yacht Club • 115 First Street • Keyport, NJ 07735

N40° 28.4' - W74° 11.0'

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Saturday June 8 and Sunday June 9, 2024



NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, AND FEES:

a. Eligibility

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- Competitors in PHRF divisions must have a current valid PHRF-MA certificate.
- OD competitors are subject to class eligibility rules. Five (5) or more boats are generally required for a one-design class; the designation of a one-design division is at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- Navigator boats which do not have current PHRF-MA certificate will be issued a non-protestable temporary handicap for the duration of the event.

b. Sail Limitations – Non-Spinnaker Classes

The luff of a headsail shall be attached to the forestay. Free-flying sails are not permitted

c. Entry

All competitors may enter by registering online at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16649> prior to 1800 June 7, 2024. In-person registration will be accepted at the club on June 7 between 1800 and 2000.

d. Fees

- PHRF and one-design classes: \$125
- Navigator Division: \$80

Entry fee includes one (1) ticket to Saturday evening party. Additional tickets may be purchased at the event.

e. Fee Payment

At this time, we can accept payment only via check payable to Keyport Yacht Club. Checks may be mailed to the clubhouse at 115 First Street, Keyport NJ 07735. Please specify “2024 Bill Volk Regatta” and the skipper or boat with a cover letter or check memo. KYC members may charge to account.

3. SCHEDULE:

A competitors’ meeting will be held at 2000 on Friday June 7, 2024 at Keyport Yacht Club, 115 First Street, Keyport, NJ 07735. The Race Committee intends to sound a harbor gun at 1000 each day. The warning signals for the first race for the PHRF and OD classes will be at 1130 for both Saturday June 8 and Sunday June 9, 2024. Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. On the last day of the regatta (Sunday June 9, 2024) no warning signal will be made after 1530.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The sailing instructions will be included in the skipper’s packet provided at the competitors meeting and posted online at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16649>.

5. DIVISION SPLITS:

Each division (fleet) will display numeral pennants (signal flags) or colored streamers (which may be provided) flown from their backstay (or stern rail if there is no permanent backstay) to indicate their division. Division splits will be announced at the competitors meeting on Friday June 7, 2024 and posted online at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16649>.

6. RACING AREA:

The racing area will be on the waters of Raritan Bay, New Jersey in the vicinity of or to the east of Keyport Harbor Channel Mark 1.

7. THE COURSES:

The courses for all divisions, except the Navigator Division, will be windward-leeward or triangles using inflatable marks.

NAVIGATOR DIVISION COURSE:

The Navigator Division is intended for non-spinnaker boats who want to learn more about racing, cruisers who want to race, or those who want to compete in a lower-pressure environment.

It is the intention of the race committee to have one race on Saturday June 8, 2024, with a length of 5 – 10nm using Government Marks. The start time, location, and course details will be announced no later than 2100 Friday June 7.

8. SCORING:

The low point system of Appendix A will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9. HAUL-OUT AND CLEANING RESTRICTIONS:

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of written permission of the race committee. The use of any underwater breathing apparatus to clean a boat shall not be used between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. All boats shall have a working VHF radio.

11. PRIZES:

Division trophies will be awarded after the conclusion of racing on Sunday June 9, 2024 at Keyport Yacht Club.

The Bill Volk Trophy will be awarded to the first place boat of the most competitive PHRF or OD division. The most competitive division is determined by lowest average spread of corrected times between the 1st and 3rd place boats.

The Vi Yurowski Trophy will be awarded to the best performing PHRF or OD division Keyport Yacht Club boat as per the Deed of Gift.

Trophies for the top three finishers in the Navigator Division race may be awarded on Saturday evening.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3 of RRS, Decision to Race. The organizing authority (including, but not limited to, the race committee, protest committee, and/or Keyport Yacht Club) will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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13. RESPONSIBILITY AND CONDUCT:

Competitors are reminded of the Fundamental Rules of the RRS, especially RRS 69. The skipper of each boat shall be responsible for the behavior of his or her crew and guests.

14. MOORINGS:

Guest moorings for boats participating in the regatta are available on a first come, first served basis. For mooring reservations, please contact Fleet Captain Steve Flinchbaugh at fleetcaptain@keyportyachtclub.com.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION:

For further information please visit www.keyportyachtclub.com or contact Keyport Yacht Club Race Chair Diane Bonnell at race@keyportyachtclub.com.

Tickets for any social functions are not included in the entry fee.

50/50 Raffle Tickets to benefit the RAINE Foundation will be available for purchase on Friday & Saturday. For additional information about the RAINE Foundation please visit <https://www.rainefoundation.com/>

Preliminary Schedule of Events

Friday June 7	1800 - 2000	Registration accepted in person
	1800 - 2100	Skippers Bag Pickup
	2000	Informational meeting for Navigator Division skippers
	2000	Division splits posted
Saturday June 8	0830 – 1000	Skippers Bag Pickup Continental breakfast
	1000	Harbor Gun
	1130	PHRF and OD first warning signal
	1300	Navigator Division warning signal
	After sailing	Social & fundraising functions
Sunday June 9	0830 – 1000	Continental breakfast
	1000	Harbor Gun
	1130	PHRF and OD first warning signal
	After sailing	Trophy presentations