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2024 Milford Invitational for the Boardman Cup

Milford Yacht Club Saturday, August 3, 2024 131 Trumbull Avenue, Milford, CT 06460 203-783-0060

Notice of Race (NoR)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 These rules of the Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association, <u>www.ecsa.net</u>, apply: 2024 PHRF of Eastern Connecticut and 2024 Offshore Racing Circuit Regulations

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1200 on Friday, July 19, 2024 at www.yachtscoring.com. Copies of the Sailing Instructions will also be available on the Race Committee boat on Saturday, Aug 3, 2024

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://yachtscoring.com. Additionally, all Notices to Competitors including the NoR and Sailing Instructions will also be posted on the notice board outside the Dockmaster's office at MYC by 0900 the day of the race.
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF marine radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF marine radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, 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 The event is open to all boats with a valid 2024 PHRF-ECSA certificate. Yachts must have self-bailing cockpits, fixed berths, galley facilities, and the ability to be self-supporting for a weekend cruise.
- 4.2 The event is open to Viper 640 one-design class with 3 or more entrants.
- 4.3 Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker classes will be offered given sufficient entries (Spinnaker minimum of 3 boats, Non-spinnaker minimum of 2 boats). Class assignment will be determined by the race committee, based on ECSA-PHRF class designator and rating.
- 4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by Friday, August 2, 2024 at 1700.
- 4.6 Late Entries may be considered at the discretion of the race committee.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fee is \$50 for US Sailing members, \$55 for non-US Sailing members. There will be no charge for a party at MYC following the race.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1200 on Saturday, August 3, 2023.
- 6.2 For the Viper 640 class, more than 1 race may be sailed.

7. VENUE

7.1 The starting area will be in an area about 1 nm south of Charles Island, Milford, CT.

8. COURSES

3.1 The course(s) to be sailed will consist of government marks and/or drop marks as identified in the Sailing Instructions. Course(s) will be determined by the Race Committee based on prevailing conditions

9. SCORING

- 9.1 All PHRF classes will be scored based on Time-On-Time calculation using 650/(PHRF + 550) as the Time Correction Factor (TCF).
- 9.2 The Boardman Cup winner will be awarded to the Club whose top three PHRF finishing spinnaker entries total the lowest score based on their class finishes.
- 9.3 For the Viper 640 class, if more than 1 race is sailed, no races will be excluded in final scoring. This changes Appendix A2.1.

10. RISK STATEMENT

10.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

11. INSURANCE

11.1 Each participating boat shall hold insurance, including third party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 The Boardman Cup will be awarded.
- 12.2 Prizes will be awarded for -1^{st} and 2^{nd} place for each class.
- 12.3 Prizes must be claimed at MYC on the day of the race at the post-race party to be held following the race.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact MYC Fleet Captain: <u>fleetcaptain@milfordyachtclub.com</u>

Dockage space, as available on Friday and Saturday nights, will be provided at no extra cost to competing yachts who contact the Dock Office, 203-783-0065, before August 1.2024, 1700. Expect some rafting.