




Notice of Race

45th Annual Figawi Race Weekend

Presented by Vineyard Vines 

May 28-30, 2016

Figawi Race Weekend (FRW) consists of a pursuit style sailing race from Hyannis to Nantucket on Saturday, May 28th, weekend events on Nantucket Island, and a standard format sailing race originating off the Nantucket jetty on Monday, May 30th.

1 RULES

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

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 3.1 The Race is open to mono-hull and multi-hull boats with a minimum LOA of 24 feet and a PHRF NE racing handicap of 210 or less to compete in a spinnaker class and a PHRF NE cruising handicap of 225 or less to compete in a non-spinnaker class.
- 3.2 Applicant yacht must conform with Offshore Racing Council (ORC) Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations Standards for Category 4.
- 3.3 The Figawi Race Committee reserves the right to consider the seaworthiness of any applicant yacht and, without prejudice, refuse entry of any yacht that it deems unsuitable for the conditions of the race and also limit the total number of entries accepted.
- 3.4 Captain/Owner/Charterer must complete and submit the online entry form available at www.figawi.com together with all applicable fees.
- 3.5 **A 2016 PHRF NE rating is required for all sailboat entries, no exceptions.** A prior year PHRF NE certificate **will not** be accepted. All instructions can be found on www.phrfne.org. It is the entrants' responsibility to make sure they are in the PHRF database with a 2016 rating before **May 15, 2016** in order to race in Figawi. PHRF's recorded after this date will only be considered eligible for the race on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. Do not send a Figawi a copy of the rating certificate, please.
- 3.6 Pursuit Classes. The fleet is divided between spinnaker and non-spinnaker class.
- 3.7 Multi-Hull Class. A Multi-hull class using PHRF or class rules will be provided if there is sufficient interest. A minimum of three boats is needed to provide a start.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Fees before May 1:
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| Sailboat Entry | \$425 (includes 2 event bracelets) |
| Powerboat Entry | \$725 (includes 2 event bracelets) |
| Event/crew bracelet | \$75 |
- 4.2 Entry is considered a late entry **May 1, 2016** after 2400 and \$100 late fee will apply.
- 4.3 Deadline for entry is **May 15, 2016** or when spots sell out, whichever occurs first.
- 4.4 There will be NO REFUNDS for any reason, including cancellation of race after May 15, 2016.

5 EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY

5.1 The PHRF fleet must comply with *ORC Special Regulations Equipment List for Category 4* in its entirety. The document can be found at www.sailing.org/specialregs (Extract for Race Category 4 Monohulls) and on www.figawi.com under Forms/Resources.

Please pay special attention to the following provisions of the list:

- **Section 3.14 Pulpits, Stanchions, Lifelines** – All boats must have lifelines.
- **Section 3.29 Communications Equipment, EPFS, Radar, AIS** - All boats must carry a marine radio.
- **Section 4.01 Sail Letters & Numbers** – All boats must have sail numbers ON THE SAIL (not manufacturers' numbers or logos) NO EXCEPTIONS.
For more information: http://offshore.ussailing.org/Sail_Numbers.htm
- **Section 5 Personal Equipment** - All boats must carry personal equipment

Note US Sailing prescription Section 5.01.2:

US SAILING prescribes that all personnel on deck shall wear personal floatation while starting and finishing without exception, and at all other times except when the Captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside.

Note US Sailing prescription Section 5.09:

US SAILING prescribes that the "Quick-Stop" man-overboard procedure shall be practiced aboard the yacht at least once annually. A certificate of such practice shall be signed by participating crew members and kept aboard the yacht.

6 DIVISIONS

6.1 Entrants will be placed in divisions first determined by spinnaker or non-spinnaker choice, then PHRF rating.

7 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Registration	Hyannis Yacht Club 490 Ocean Street, Hyannis	Friday, May 27	1500 to 2000
Warning Signal	Nantucket Sound - off Hyannisport Jetty	Saturday, May 28	0955
Tent Party	corner of New Whale St and Commercial St. Nantucket, MA	Saturday, May 28	1900 to 2200
Race Awards Presentation	corner of New Whale St and Commercial St. Nantucket, MA	Sunday, May 29	1630
Tent Party	corner of New Whale St and Commercial St. Nantucket, MA	Sunday, May 29	1900 to 2200
Monday Race	Nantucket Sound - off Nantucket Jetty	Monday, May 30	0930

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions and scratch sheets are included in the Captains bag received at registration. Amendments will be posted on the Official Figawi Board located at Hyannis Yacht Club in the clubhouse and on bulletin board at the entrance to the Figawi tent on Nantucket.

9 VENUE

9.1 The start of the Hyannis – Nantucket race is off the Hyannisport Jetty.
9.2 The start of the Monday race is off the Nantucket Jetty.

10 THE COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed are described in the Sailing Instructions. The courses are subject to change per the sailing instructions.

11 REGISTRATION

- 11.1 Friday, May 27th 3pm – 8pm Hyannis Yacht Club, 490 Ocean Street, Hyannis.
- 11.2 Owner/entrant must show ID to receive registration packet (incl.bracelets and all official documents) and Captains bag (incl. Mt Gay hats).
Email additional authorized persons name to: info@figawi.com attn: Shelley McCabe or call/text info to 508-221-6891.
- 11.3 The official Figawi pennant is included in the Captain's bag. This must be flown from the backstay during the race and all weekend in the boat basin.
- 11.4 There is no formal Captain's meeting during Registration at HYC. Figawi RC members are available to answer questions.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 The prizes for the Hyannis to Nantucket race will be presented in the Figawi event tent on Nantucket on Sunday, May 28th at 1630. Event is open to all and event bracelet is not required for admission.
- 12.2 Figawi Race – Hyannis to Nantucket
- First through Fourth place for each division
 - North Sails Performance Trophy - Best overall performance in spinnaker class and also non spinnaker class as determined by the Figawi Race Committee
 - Jeffrey Carter Foster Team Race Award – First, Second, and Third place teams
 - Howard K Penn Spirit Award - Awarded to 1 participant and determined by the Figawi RC and Figawi Board of Directors
 - Pamela Trussell Duggan Award – Awarded to 1 volunteer and determined by the Figawi Board of Governors
- 12.3 The prizes for the race on Monday will be mailed to the 1st and 2nd place boats in each class

13 DOCKAGE

- 13.1 Figawi and Nantucket Boat Basin are partners during Memorial Day Weekend. Entrants to Figawi are automatically eligible for dockage. These arrangements go through Figawi.
- 13.2 Dockage arrangements in Hyannis are made by each entrant. These arrangements do not go through Figawi.

Hyannis Yacht Club - 508-778-6100 Club Steward

- * HYC has moorings and launch service available.
- * They **DO NOT** take reservations; it is first come first serve.
- * Call the launch driver on channel 69 upon entrance to harbor.
- * HYC does not charge Figawi participants for guest mooring usage Friday, May 27th ONLY. After that day, regular HYC fees apply.

Hyannis Marina – 508-790-4000 Dockmaster

- * Located in Hyannis inner harbor. They monitor channels 9 & 72.
- * To reserve a slip, go to hyannismarina.com for details.

Nantucket Boat Basin

- * Reservations for a slip are **ONLY** available to paid Figawi Race Weekend entrants (powerboats and sailboats).
- * The Memorial Day Weekend rate is **ONLY** available on the Dockage Reservation Form found on www.figawi.com. Form and payment are sent direct to NBB. Details are on the form.
- * Slip assignments are distributed in the Captain's packet at Registration.
- * Nantucket Boat Basin **RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RAFT** boats if needed. It usually is needed, so please have bumpers and lines available. RAFTING is part of the event. Figawi and NBB try to accommodate as many entrants in the boat basin as practicable.

Nantucket Moorings

- * Please visit nantucketmoorings.com for more information.

14 CLEAN REGATTA

Figawi Inc. is committed to maintaining Cape Cod's clean waters and shores. As such, Figawi Race Weekend is registered with Sailors for the Sea and in 2011 was certified as a Gold Level Clean Regatta. All FRW participants are strongly encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of Clean Regattas in addition to the town of Nantucket regulations and guidelines on trash and recycling. Specific details and directions will be included in the Captain's Packet. www.sailorsforthesea.com

- * No discharge of treated or untreated sewage or black water in harbor areas or no-discharge zones.
- * No overboard discharge of trash or littering at shore facilities.
- * Trash must be in clear plastic or clear biodegradable bags. All paper, glass, metal, and plastic must be recycled and placed in separate containers. No black trash bags are allowed in Nantucket.
- * Green cleaning and maintenance products must be used by all entrants.

15 RESPONSIBILITY, LIABILITY, & MEDIA

- 15.1 Competitors participating in the FRW events do so entirely at their own risk. The race organizers, Figawi Charities Inc, Figawi Race Committee, Figawi Board of Directors, Hyannis Yacht Club, Nantucket Boat Basin, Island Events Catering, volunteers, sponsors, agents, employees, or any other organization or official providing services at the request of any of the foregoing in connection with the events will not be responsible or accept any liability for material damage to any boat or other property or personal injury sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, captains, skippers, crews, spectators) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 15.2 Specific attention is directed to the following Fundamental Rules:
Rule 1.1 - Helping Those in Danger. A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
Rule 4 - Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.
- 15.3 During FRW, the Captain/Owner/Charterer accepts all responsibility for the conduct of his/her crew including those in possession of an event bracelet registered to the Captain/Owner/Charterer. Conduct complaints will result in the removal of the boat from Nantucket Boat Basin, and restrictions from entering future events associated with Figawi, and Nantucket Boat Basin.
- 15.4 Figawi Charities Inc. owns all media and commercial rights to the official Figawi Race Weekend events. Competitors will further grant to FRW the unrestricted and perpetual right to use and publish any information, text, and images arising from the official events of FRW. Figawi Charities, Figawi Race Weekend, FRW, and the Figawi logo are trademarks or registered trademarks of Figawi Charities Inc. All Rights Reserved. Use is prohibited without permission.

16 AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE OF RACE

- 16.1 Any amendments to this notice made prior to May 15, 2016 will be posted on the event's Yacht Scoring website. Amendments will be posted on the official notice board at Hyannis Yacht Club.

17 GENERAL INFORMATION

- 17.1 Race Headquarters on Nantucket is Nantucket Island Resorts cottage named Veronica located on Swains Wharf. See map of Nantucket Boat Basin. The hours of operation are Saturday, May 28th 12pm-5pm and Sunday, May 29th 8am-3pm.
- 17.2 Figawi uses a robo call system to broadcast important messages during the weekend including race information. The number used for each entrant will be the cell number they used to register.
- 17.3 The return race finishes in a general area in Nantucket Sound as described in the Sailing Instructions in order to accommodate all participants. Figawi encourages all entrants to participate. Trophies are mailed.

18 CONTACT INFORMATION

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