



Bill Volk Regatta & RAINE Cup
Saturday June 10 and Sunday June 11, 2017
Keyport Yacht Club

115 First Street, Keyport NJ 07735 (N40-28.4' W74-11.0')

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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: The regatta is open to all mono-hull boats over 21' in length with a current and valid PHRF-MA rating, or one design classes (5 or more boats are generally required for a one-design class and the designation of a one design division is at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority).

Non-Navigator (spinnaker or non-spinnaker) competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the \$150 entry fee to Keyport Yacht Club by June 7th 2017.

Navigator boats which do not have current PHRF-MA certificate will be issued a temporary rating. Navigator competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the \$100 entry fee to Keyport Yacht Club by June 7th 2017.

Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4182>, or by completing a paper registration form (available at the club). Entries received after Weds June 7th 2017 must include a late registration fee of \$20 for PHRF and one-design classes, or \$10 for Navigator entries.

3. SCHEDULE: A competitors' meeting will be held at 2000 on Friday June 9, 2017 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 will be at 1130 for both Saturday June 10 and Sunday June 11 2017. 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 11, 2017) no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

4. MEASUREMENTS: Each non-navigator boat shall ensure that a valid PHRF-MA rating is posted at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/phrf-valid-lists/>

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The sailing instructions will be included in the skippers packet provided at the competitors meeting and posted online at www.yachtscoring.com.

6. DIVISION SPLITS: Each division (fleet) should use 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 which division they are racing in. Division splits will be announced at the competitors meeting on Friday June 9, 2017 and posted online at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4182>

7. RACING AREA: The racing area will be on the waters of Raritan Bay, New Jersey in the vicinity of Keyport Harbor Channel Mark 1.

8. THE COURSES: The courses for all divisions except the Navigator Division will be windward-leeward or triangles using inflatable marks. The Navigator Division course is described in Section labeled "NAVIGATOR DIVISION COURSE".

9. NAVIGATOR DIVISION COURSE: There will be one race for non-spinnaker sailboats. This Navigator Division is intended for those boats that do not normally race. This class is for those who want to learn to race, cruisers who want to race, or those who want to have fun in a low-pressure environment. It is the intention of the race committee to have one race on Saturday June 10, 2017 with a start after all other classes have started. The start is intended to be from the same starting area as all other classes. When starting leave the race committee boat to starboard and when finishing leave the race committee boat to starboard. The course is from the start line to Old Orchard Shoal Light, (rounded either way) and return to cross the finish line (in the vicinity of the start area). All Navigator boats are required to notify the race committee if they withdraw from racing. The race committee may issue verbal instructions to the competitors in this division. VHF channel 69 will be used for this communication. Each Navigator boat shall acknowledge receipt of instructions.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. PRIZES: Division trophies for all divisions (including the navigator division) will be awarded after the conclusion of racing on Sunday June 11, 2017 at Keyport Yacht Club. The Bill Volk Trophy will be awarded to the first place boat of the most competitive division (the navigator division is NOT included). 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 given to the best performing Keyport Yacht Club boat (the navigator division is NOT included) as per the Deed of Gift.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 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 or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, or during, or after the regatta.

15. 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 their crew and guests.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information please visit www.keyportyachtclub.com or contact Keyport Yacht Club Race Chair Andy Oeftering at kycrace@gmail.com.