



2019 INDIAN HARBOR YACHT CLUB

8th Annual Geartester Distance Race

Saturday, May 18, 2019

Test it, then Bust it

NOTICE OF RACE

Including Amendment 1 - Changes to NOR 1, 3, 4, & 6

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The measurement rules and ratings will be PHRF Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker and Double-Handed rules and ratings as administered by the YRA of LIS.
- 1.3. Qualifier for the YRA of LIS Windigo, Sagola, du Moulin, King's Point, Mertz and Youth Challenge Cup trophies.
- 1.4. All PHRF boats must comply with the YRA of LIS Category C Minimum Equipment Recommendations excepting that all PHRF entries shall comply with 3.3.3 by having one of the following:
 - 1.4.1. A "MOM 8" or "MOM 9" or equivalent equipment and at least one USCG approved type IV throwable horseshoe buoy, ring buoy or buoyant cushion device both within reach of the helmsperson and ready for instant use.
 - 1.4.2. A USCG approved type IV throwable horseshoe buoy equipped with a drogue, whistle and a self-igniting light attached by floating line to a crew overboard pole with a flag, all within reach of the helmsperson and ready for instant use.
- 1.5. Any one-designs must comply with their class rules.
- 1.6. Per rule 42.3(i), a boat that runs aground while racing may use its engine or any other method to get refloated provided the boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race.
- 1.7. Each boat shall fly from her backstay, six or more feet above deck, a numeral pennant corresponding to her class.

2. DOUBLE HANDED EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS & RESTRICTIONS

- 2.1. Crew limit is two persons, one of whom must be 18 years of age or older.
- 2.2. Wind vanes or electric self-steering devices may be used.
- 2.3. Jacklines must be rigged both port and starboard, and run from the cockpit to the bow.
- 2.4. Safety harnesses must be worn while racing.

3. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats owned by or under charter to members of the YRA of LIS or other US Sailing member association, and boats of foreign registry.
- 3.2. Eligible fleets are expected to include PHRF fully crewed/spinnaker, double-handed/spinnaker and fully crewed/non-spinnaker.
- 3.3. Additional one-design fleets of five or more may be included.
- 3.4. Entry is via the appropriate yachtscore.com event site.
- 3.5. Entry must be **completed** by Thursday, May 16, 2019.
- 3.6. Entry fee is \$85; \$110 if received after May 12, 2019.
- 3.7. Competitors are **recommended encouraged** to use the *Kattack* app (available for free download) while racing to allow for post-race playback and live tracking for spectators. Playback will be available online after racing.

4. **SCHEDULE**

1100

First Warning

As soon as practicable after racing

Awards Presentation

5. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & SCRATCH SHEETS**

- 5.1. Sailing Instructions will be available beginning on or before May 14, 2019 online via yachtscoring.com and the club's website (indianharboryc.com).
- 5.2. Scratch sheets will be available on or before May 17 online via yachtscoring.com and the club's website, and in hard copy at the IHYC Front Desk.

6. **COURSES**

- 6.1. Courses will be between 8 miles to 20 miles depending on conditions. ~~and signaled from the Signal Boat prior to each class's preparatory signal.~~
- 6.2. Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3. The start line will be east of Little Captain Island **outside** Captain Harbor between Flat Neck Point Shoal RN "2" (40°59.746N/073°35.479W) and a yellow flag on the signal boat.
- 6.4. The finish line will **inside** Captain Harbor between RN "2" (40°59.905N/073°37.277W) and a yellow flag on the finish boat located north of RN "2". Note: This NOT the same RN "2" as used for the start.

7. **MOORINGS**

Complimentary guest moorings are available from 1200 Friday, May 17 to 1200 Sunday, May 19. Email dbruce@indianharboryc.com for reservations or call 203-869-2484. Longer-term moorings related to the event are available at a discounted event fee of \$20/night.

8. **PRIZES**

- 8.1. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for each class.
- 8.2. Prizes will be awarded following racing.
- 8.3. For fleets with five or more entries having finished both the Geartester and Gearbuster, prizes will be awarded at the Indian Harbor prize awards dinner to the boat in each fleet deemed by the Organizing Authority to have had the best combined fleet performance.

9. **POST-RACE**

All competitors are invited to Indian Harbor Yacht Club following the race for complimentary beer, snacks, and the awards presentation.

10. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

11. **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Joel Labuzetta, Waterfront Director

Phone: 203.869.2484

Email: waterfront@indianharboryc.com

Event Chairman: Greg Neumann

Organizing Authority: Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Technical Committee: PHRF Technical Committee, Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound