



Mudhead Benefit Cup Regatta In Support of Center for Hospice Care
Friday July 19th & Saturday July 20th, 2019
Sponsored by the Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association, Mystic, CT 06355, USA
HELP THE MUDHEADS RAISE \$30,000 TO CELEBRATE
THE 30TH YEAR OF THE HOSPICE REGATTA SERIES!

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing except as modified or changed by the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. This event is open to all mono- and multi-hull sailboats with an LOA of at least 16 feet.
- 2.2. This regatta is considered an ECSA "Near Shore" event and participants are requested to comply with circuit regulations.
- 2.3. Entrants may select to race on one of three racing circles: a PHRF Spinnaker Circle; a One Design Circle; and a Navigator's Circle (to include Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes).
- 2.4. Participants may register for racing & party tickets online at www.mudhead.org, by following the link to YachtScoring.com.
- 2.5. Entries will also be accepted on site by the Race Committee at the Skipper's Meeting, July 19th.
- 2.6. Entry Deadline is 1800 EDT, July 19th.

3. FEES

- 3.1. **The Entry Fee is \$75.00 per boat and is 100% Tax Deductible.** This is a charity event. We ask that you be generous! All proceeds go to Center for Hospice Care. Donations are accepted via:
 - 1) The Center for Hospice Care website: hospicesect.org
 - 2) YachtScoring;
 - 3) during both the Racer's Jam and Mega Party, and;
 - 4) via donation pages created by individual boat and teams.
- 3.2. Tickets for the MegaParty on Saturday July 14th are \$25 per person.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Registration is open at <http://mudhead.org/dev/wp1/racing>.
- 4.2. The Skipper's meeting and Racer's Jam is at Mystic Shipyard, 100 Essex St. Mystic, CT beginning at 1800 EDT, Friday, July 19th. Bring an instrument and join in. Everyone is Welcome!
- 4.3. First Warning for the PHRF Spinnaker and One Design Circles is scheduled for 1055 EDT, July 20th.
- 4.4. First Warning for the Navigator's Circle is scheduled for 1155 EDT, July 20th.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1. Entries racing on handicap Circles will be assigned ratings based on valid PHRF/NEMA certificates. Entries who do not have a valid PHRF/NEMA rating will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee.
- 5.2. Entries racing on the One Design Circle shall conform to their respective class rules.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on-line at the Mudhead YachtScoring website no later than 1800 EDT, July 6th.
- 6.2. Hard copy versions of the Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skipper's Meeting Friday (July 19th) and on the water Saturday (July 20th) prior to the First Warning on each Racing Circle.

7. VENUES

- 7.1. Based on entries, racing may take place on as many as three separate Circles in Fisher's Island Sound:
 - 1) the PHRF Circle, open to both spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats wishing to race windward-leeward courses;
 - 2) the One Design Circle, open to one design classes with a fleet of two or more boats, and;
 - 3) the Navigator's Circle, open to both spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats wishing to compete on a round-the-buoys course potentially consisting of both Government and inflatable marks .

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. Participants on the PHRF and One Design Circles will sail Windward-Leeward courses which may include gates. Multiple races may be run on each of these Circles.
- 8.2. Participants on the Navigator's Circle will sail a round-the-buoys course. One race will be run on the Navigator's Circle.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. Time on Time calculations will be used to score PHRF/NEMA classes.
- 9.2. One completed race will constitute the series.
- 9.3. No score(s) shall be excluded when determining a boat's series score. This changes Appendix A2.1.

10. BERTHING

- 10.1. Dockage is available at Mystic Shipyard. Call 860.536.6588 for information.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Class, Overall and Fundraising trophies will be awarded at the MegaParty under the tent at the Mystic Shipyard. The MegaParty begins at 1700 EDT, Saturday, July 20th and will include buffet dinner, open bar, music and dancing.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair - Andy Stoddard, astoddar@msn.com and Peter Austin, PeterAustin72@yahoo.com
Race Committee - Robert Austin-LaFrance: rjaustinlafrance@gmail.com and Greg Gilmartin: director@mystv.com