

2007 PHYC / SYC Specials Series

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) national authority will apply.
- 1.3 Individual class rules on file in writing for the current race year with the Race Chairmen will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The races are open to all sail yachts owned by members of the Port Huron Yacht Club and Sarnia Yacht Club who have properly registered with the PHYC/SYC Race Chairmen and individual classes, and by special invitation of the Race Chairmen.
- 3.2 Boats racing by special invitation will be in the "Other" class. They must be registered at least 72 hours prior to the start of the race.

4 FEES

- 4.1 There are no fees for PHYC, other than late fees, required by the race program. SYC has fees for racing, which are shown on their registration form. The classes will set the individual class fees.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 **Blue Point Race:** Saturday, June 9, Warning at 0955.
- 5.2 **Miller High Life St. Clair River Race:** Saturday, July 14, Warning at 1155.
- 5.3 **Port Sanilac Race:** Sat/Sun, August 4 & 5, Warning at 0925.
- 5.4 **Lexington Race:** Sat/Sun, August 18 & 19, Warning at 1025.
- 5.5 **Earl Smith Night Race:** Saturday, August 25, Warning at 1755.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be available at least 5 days prior to the race at PHYC/SYC. They may also be available on the PHYC Web Site (www.phyc.org) or the SYC website (www.sarniyachtclub.on.ca).

7 CLASSES

- 7.1 Classes
 - 7.1.1 PHRF - Yachts shall race in accordance with the Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws and have a Lake Huron PHRF rating.
 - 7.1.2 Cruising Class – Cruising type yachts that will be rated in accordance with the Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws, with special limitations on sails as specified in the Cruising Class Racing Rules.
 - 7.1.3 Handicap Class – Yachts in this class shall have a rating based on Lake Huron PHRF standards and then adjusted for skipper experience, sail age and sail usage.
 - 7.1.4 30 Square Metre – Boats in this class must conform to the 30 Square Metre Rule.
 - 7.1.5 6 Metre - Boats in this class must conform to the 6 Metre Rule.
- 7.2 Acceptance of a yacht in a class will be in accordance with the rules of that class. A yacht eligible to race in more than one class may race in the class of its choice, but shall indicate its choice on the Race Registration.
- 7.3 Registered yachts can not change classes after 72 hours prior to the first race of the Special Series.
- 7.4 An owner of a yacht wishing to change class must complete the CHANGE OF CLASS FORM and have it approved by both the Class Representative and Race Chairmen by the time shown in 7.3.
- 7.5 Formation of a class
 - 7.5.1 Six or more yachts are required and the approval of the PHYC and SYC R.C. boards.
 - 7.5.2 Classes must maintain a minimum of 4 yachts registered
 - 7.5.3 Three yachts or less a class will be dissolved
 - 7.5.4 The PHYC and SYC R.C. boards may at their discretion, choose to allow a class with less than 3 yachts or less to continue as a class.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 See the applicable SIs for each race.

9 SCORING

- 9.1** The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply unless written class rules are on file for the current year with the Race Chairmen. See SI for additional details.

10 RESULTS

- 10.1** Preliminary results will be posted on the official notice boards as soon as possible following a race. Corrections or errors need to be reported to the Race Chairmen, Fleet Captain or the Race PRO in writing. If no corrections are reported within 72 hours, results will become final. Skippers are reminded that the club website is not the official race results bulletin board.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1** Flags will be given to the top three finishers in each class for each series, as well as the top three overall in each class.
11.2 Trophies for individual races may be awarded. See the applicable SIs for each race.
11.3 A King Trophy for each club (PHYC/SYC) will be awarded to the best finishing boat with the strongest competition that completes all five Special Series races.
11.4 Trophies for the series will be awarded to first overall in each class according to the following table:

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1** Competitors participate in the races 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 or prior to, during, or after the races.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

14 CLASS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR RACE COMMITTEE BOATS

- 14.1** Class Captains are responsible for the race committee boat assignments that their class is assigned. This responsibility includes providing information to the PRO prior to the race and for the duration of the race a competent race committee boat and crew. Classes should plan to provide seven people as crew for the race. This crew will function under the direction of the PRO of the day. A class that fails to meet these responsibilities may be protested by Race Committee and assessed a penalty by the Protest Board.