

2024 VAN RENSSELAER RACE WEEKEND

Saturday, June 29, 2024 - Pursuit Race
Sunday, June 30, 2024 - One Design Race(s)
Marion, Massachusetts 02738
The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Beverly Yacht Club (BYC)

NOTICE OF RACE

The Notation [DP] means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS).
- 1.2. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from the race officials.
- 1.3. All competitors are reminded about the importance of compliance with RRS 2, Fair Sailing, RRS 4, Acceptance of the Rules, and RRS 67, Damages, in any BYC racing event.
- 1.4. In accordance with RRS 40.2, Rule 40.1 (Personal Flotation Device) applies.
- 1.5. For PHRF boats.
 - 1.5.1.RRS 52 is amended as provided for under RRS 86.1(b) as follows: Competitors are permitted to use electrically powered winches for running rigging while racing.
 - 1.5.2. Competitors are required to remove anchors from their bow pulpits while racing.
- 1.6. For Bullseye and H12, RRS 61.1(a)(2) is deleted, and a red flag must be displayed when protesting.
- 1.7. Under RRS 87 (Changes to Class Rules), H12 Class Rule under "Bylaw II, Purpose 1," will be changed to allow Cape Cod Shipbuilding versions of the H12 to participate. An H Class letter regarding this change is posted on the bulletin board on the BYC porch.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on Friday, June 21, 2024. Printed copies will be available from the BYC Office upon request.
- 2.2. Pursuit race Sailing Instructions will be posted at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27873
- 2.3. One Design race Sailing Instruction will be posted at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27872

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board for the races in Regatta Network and courtesy copies may be posted on the bulletin board on the porch at the Beverly Yacht Club.
 - 3.1.1. Pursuit race notices will be posted at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27873
 - 3.1.2.One Design race notices will be posted at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27872
- 3.2. Scratch sheets for the Pursuit Race will be made available at 0900 at the Beverly Yacht Club Bar and through each registrant's email on the day of the event, if not sooner.
- 3.3. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF radio CH 72.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the last boat finishes, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Pursuit Race
 - 4.1.1.This race is open to all monohull sailboats. A current, valid PHRF-NE certificate is required for all PHRF sailboats. New or renewal PHRF certificates can be acquired from PHRF New England at http://www.phrfne.org. Yachts with other rating certificates may apply to the Beverly Yacht Club PHRF representative for an unofficial rating. A yacht or class fleet with a provisional certificate or unofficial rating must submit to the Event Chair a request in writing for permission to participate in the Pursuit Race. A preliminary list of accepted one design class PHRFNE Base Ratings exists for many boats including for example Shields, J/24's, J/70's, and J/80's. The Race Committee, at its sole discretion, may or may not allow a yacht/class with a provisional certificate or unofficial rating to participate in the race.
 - 4.1.2. Eligible pursuit/handicap sailboats may enter by completing the entry form online in Regatta Network at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27873 by 1800 on Thursday, June 27, 2024.
 - 4.1.3.A complete crew list, including name, emergency contact name and telephone number is required to complete the registration process for pursuit race handicap boats.
- 4.2. One Design
 - 4.2.1. Bullseyes and H12's are eligible for the one design race on Sunday.
 - 4.2.2. Eligible Bullseyes and H12 boats may enter by completing the entry form online in Regatta Network at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27872 by 1800 on Thursday, June 27, 2024.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Non-BYC sailboats will pay an entry fee of \$65 at the time of registration.
- 5.2. There is no fee for a Beverly Yacht Club member sailboat.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The first warning signal on Saturday, June 29, 2024 for the Pursuit Race for handicap boats will be at 1155.
- 6.2. The first warning signal on Sunday, June 30, 2024 for One Design Race(s) will be at 1400.
- 6.3. It is the intention of the OA to have both the Pursuit and One Design races conclude before 1700 on the day of the races.

7. INSPECTION/MEASUREMENT

Sailboats competing are subject to inspection and/or measurement by the Marion Fleet Handicapper, Event Chair, Principal Race Officer, or Race Committee Chair at any time. A boat may be excluded from racing for failure to meet safety requirements or failure to comply with its racing handicap certificate or class rules. The Race Committee, at its sole discretion, may or may not allow a sailboat to participate in a race.

8. VENUE

Racing will take place in outer Sippican Harbor and Buzzards Bay

9. COURSES

The courses will use the <u>Beverly Yacht Club Race Marks – 2024</u> chart and the course designations will be on the scratch sheet for the Pursuit Race and displayed on the committee boat for the One Design Race(s).

10. PENALTIES

- **10.1.** RRS Appendix V will apply in its entirety.
- **10.2.** All post-race penalties must be taken before the protest time limit regardless of whether a protest was filed. This changes RRS V2(a).

11. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at Cups and Flags at BYC on October 5, 2024:

- The Goodwin-Thacher Trophy is awarded to the winner in a race for Bullseyes
- The Mary C.B. Cumming Memorial Trophy is awarded to the winner in a race for H12s
- The Van Rensselaer Memorial Trophy is awarded to the winner of the PHRF Pursuit Race.
- The Thacher Family Trophy is awarded to the first Shields crossing the finish line in the Pursuit Race.
- If circumstances allow, prizes and special awards may also be awarded.

12. MEDIA

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photography and video footage taken of themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published in BYC publications and/or on its website and social media pages.

13. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. The organizing authority

will not and does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during or after racing.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Competitors may contact the following individuals for additional information:

BYC Event Chair: Nanna Buckley <u>nannabuckley@gmail.com</u>

RC Member: Jon Charlton <u>jcharlton111@aol.com</u>

BYC Race Chairman: Ken Deyett <u>racing@beverlyyachtclub.org</u>

PHRF Fleet Representative: Barry Steinberg <u>bmjb@comcast.net</u>

