



## 2020 HYC Women's Race Series

### Notice of Race

- 1 **RULES** - This race will be governed by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as adopted by the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING, these Sailing Instructions and any changes made during the Skippers Meeting on each race day).
- 2 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
  - 2.1 The series is open to all HYC women members in the Adult Sailing Program including women participating in the Limited Membership. Must be over the age of 18.
  - 2.2 Early registration is requested, but not required. Registration must be submitted no later than 5pm on the date of each race. Please submit the online sign up form or notify the Sailing Director.
  - 2.3 Early sign ups allow HYC staff to better prep the appropriate amount of Sonars. It does not matter whether you sign up for skipper/crew or which boat you sign up for, we will be making crew and boat selections before the start of the race.
- 3 **FEES** - The entry fee can be paid in one of three ways: annual upfront fee of \$180; or monthly commitment of \$15 per month for one year for the Adult Sailing Program. The annual or monthly cost gives you and your family members unlimited use of the Sonars for Learn to Sail classes, Recreational Sailing, Team Racing, Frostbiting and other various clinics hosted by the Sailing Director.  
*You may bring a guest. Remember HYC members have 1<sup>st</sup> priority to available spots. The member is responsible for the guest she brings.*
- 4 **SCHEDULE**
  - 4.1 Race dates consist of June 19, July 10, July 17, July 31, August 7, August 21.
  - 4.2 Report Time is 5:30pm, we will meet by the boats (no longer at the bar).
  - 4.3 A very brief Skippers Meeting will be held on the docks at 5:55pm.
  - 4.4 First warning signal for the race will be at 6:25pm.
  - 4.5 After racing, the participants are asked to help derig and put away the Sonars on their proper on-land berths. We will also debrief after the boats are all put away, by the hoist, go over any boat break-downs, questions about the race, or anything else the sailors would like to include.
  - 4.6 All participants and supporters are encouraged and welcome to the post-race festivities and awards.
- 5 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Sailing instructions will be posted on the HYC website.
- 6 **COURSES** - The courses will be selected each evening and consist of windward/leeward or triangles.
- 7 **CREW SELECTION** - Skipper and crews will be selected randomly for equal competition. This will ensure that sailors will be able to learn. Each boat will have a skipper, first mate, crew and newbie willing to learn. The Sailing Director and/or Head Chair of Women's Sailing may help designate crew to which boat/skipper to make for a better/instructive race.
  - 7.1 Skipper is a sailor who is comfortable at the helm. This does not mean you will get to helm every race, you will share the responsibilities with the First Mate.

7.2 First Mate is a sailor who needs a little more time on the water and some guidance from the skipper. This position with time will move into the skipper position. You will skipper some races with the skipper giving you some advice.

7.3 Crew is the position where you are quite content on just pulling some lines and having fun. This is for anyone with some experience to a lot of experience sailing.

7.4 Newbie willing to learn is the position where you know absolutely nothing to a very small amount of sailing experience. This position, with time and learning, will hopefully move to crew to coskipper to skipper.

- 7 **PENALTY SYSTEM** - Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 8 **SCORING** - Scoring as per RRS Appendix A (the Low Point Scoring System). Each Friday night will be scored individually. At the end of the season there will be awards for accumulative participation.
- 9 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** - Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 regatta. The Hampton Yacht Club and their members, volunteers, employees, officers and agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person(s) or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.
- 10 **EQUIPMENT** - All participants must wear a Coast Guard approved PFD. The PFDs must be worn and secured any time a participant is in the Sonar.