

# 2023 WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACING SERIES

June 7 – October 4, 2023 Bedford Basin Yacht Club

# NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta (Wednesday Night Racing Series) shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*, the RRS 2021-2024 Sail Canada Prescriptions, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Boats shall compete with equipment compliant with their <u>Sail Nova Scotia Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF)</u> certificate, and safety equipment in accordance with Transport Canada Small Boat Safety Regulations as described in <u>TP 511</u>.
- 1.3 The Racing Rules are amended as follows
- 1.3.1 RRS 33 is changed by deleting RRS 33(a)(1), (2) and 33(b) and replacing RRS 33(a) with an announcement over the radio.
- 1.3.2 RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10 are changed by scoring boats that fail to finish within the time limit (see Sailing instructions) as 'TLE' instead of DNF.
- 1.3.3 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for incidents outside the zone.
- 1.3.4 RRS 62.1 is changed by adding the sentence: "Failure to receive or hear a Race Committee radio transmission shall not be grounds for redress."
- 1.3.5 RRS "Race Signals" is changed for club line starts as follows:
  For the preparatory signal, Code flag "P" is replaced by a blue shape with a white square on the race hut;
- 1.3.6 For individual recalls (RRS 29.1), Code Flag 'X" is replaced by a white shape on the race hut; and,
- 1.3.7 For general recalls (RRS 29.2), Code Flag "First Substitute" is replaced by a white shape on the race hut.
- 1.3.8 RRS A5.3 will apply.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available in the BBYC Wardroom or on-line at <a href="https://www.bbyc.ca">www.bbyc.ca</a> - Racing



#### 3. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <a href="https://www.bbyc.ca">www.bbyc.ca</a> Racing
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 71.
- 3.3 From the first signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions relevant to the races and shall not receive voice or data communication relevant to the races that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 There will not be a skippers meeting

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 Racing is open to boats owned, borrowed, or chartered by a member in good standing of BBYC.
- 2.2 Keelboats shall race under their current PHRF-NS Yacht Data Sheet for handicap racing. One-Design keelboat classes may be scored as sub-sets of their assigned fleet upon request.
- 2.3 The Person in Charge shall be a member of BBYC in good standing (RRS 46).
- 2.4 Dinghies may race as One-Design fleets
- 2.5 Visiting boats are invited to race on an occasional basis but will be scored RET for the purposes of series scoring unless the Person-In-Charge is a member in good standing of BBYC.
- 2.6 Eligible boats shall register in the Club's Wardroom prior to each race, noting the boat name, main sail number, Person-In-Charge and rating, and other information as may be requested from time to time. In the event of mismatched sail numbers, the mainsail number shall be provided and used for scoring.

## 5. Entry Fees

There is no entry fee for this event

#### 6. Classes

- 3.1 Handicap keelboat classes racing on a time-on-time basis, with fleet splits as follows:
  - A fleet: PHRF NS rating of under 181
  - B fleet: PHRF NS rating of 181 and over
  - Dinghies: In their respective One-Design fleets
  - Sub-set fleets if requested



# 4. Schedule:

There will be three seasonal Wednesday Night series (Series I, Series II, Series III). The Opening, ARK, Labour Day, Danginn Regattas as well as "New to Racing/Helm" and RS21 OD will be described in separate Notices of Race. Note that the first signal times are adjusted as described below to account for changes in daylight hours.

Following each race, informal social gatherings will be held in or about the BBYC club house.

Race Date	Event	First Signal
Wed June 7, 2023	Series I, Race 1	1830
Wed June 14, 2023	Series I, Race 2	1830
Wed June 21, 2023	Series I, Race 3	1830
Wed June 28, 2023	Series I, Race 4	1830
Wed July 5, 2023	Series I, Race 5	1830
Wed July 12, 2023	Series I, Race 6	1830
Wed July 19, 2023	Series II, Race 1	1830
Wed July 26, 2023	Series II, Race 2	1830
Wed August 2, 2023	Series II, Race 3	1830
Wed August 9, 2023	Series II, Race 4	1830
Wed Aug 16, 2023	Series II, Race 5	1830
Wed Aug 23, 2023	Series II, Race 6	1830
Wed Aug 30, 2023	Series III, Race 1	1830
Wed Sep 6, 2023	Series III, Race 2	1800
Wed Sep 13, 2023	Series III, Race 3	1800
Wed Sep 20, 2023	Series III, Race 4	1800
Wed Sep 27, 2023	Series III, Race 5	1800
Wed Oct 4, 2023	Series III, Race 6	1800



# 5. Sailing Instructions:

Printable versions of the sailing instructions are available electronically at: <a href="https://bbyc.ca/page-575424">https://bbyc.ca/page-575424</a>

## 6. Racing Areas and Courses

- 6.1 Racing will take place on the Bedford Basin and Bedford Bay.
- 6.2 The courses to be sailed will be as defined on the BBYC Course card or as defined by the on-duty Race Officer using aids to navigation and/or club racing buoys. Printable versions of the BBYC Course Card may be found online <a href="https://bbyc.ca/page-575424">https://bbyc.ca/page-575424</a>

# 7. Scoring

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When more than 15 races are completed a boat's score will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst (N-15), scores where N is the number of races in the series.

## 8. Results/Prizes

- 8.1 Results of the first three places in each class of A Class and B Class will be announced, as well as any other class that has been requested, for each individual club race. Results will be posted under the Racing Menu on the BBYC website
- 8.2 Keeper prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each Class at the end of each series.
- 8.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the end of the final series

## 9. Risk Statement

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Bedford Basin Yacht Club, the owner, person in charge and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 3 "Decision to Race"; that the Bedford Basin Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors, or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or



other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Bedford Basin Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron vessels, or from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.



# 10. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 per event or the equivalent. It shall be the Person in Charge's sole responsibility to ensure their boat is thus insured.

# 11. VHF Radios

As a courtesy, the Race Committee may make radio transmissions to competitors on VHF Channel 71. It is recommended that boats racing carry functioning VHF radios capable of receiving these transmissions.

## 12. FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1 Additional information may be provided via the BBYC website (bbyc.ca) or by email to BBYC members.