NANTUCKET REGATTA

August 18-19, 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C. Regatta website www.nantucketraceweek.org

HOSTS
The Nantucket Yacht Club (NYC), Great Harbor Yacht Club (GHYC), Nantucket Community Sailing (NCS), the Nantucket Race Week Committee (NRW), and the Classic Yacht Owners Association.

Nantucket Race Week merchandise and gear are available for customization and order online at the NCS Store and can be picked up daily during Nantucket Race Week, or prior by arrangement, at the Nantucket Community Sailing office at 4 Winter Street.

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1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including Appendix T (Arbitration).
1.2. The US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 will not apply.
1.3. The rules of the 2023 CYOA Classic Yachts Challenge Series will apply for boats participating in that Series. Rules may be found at Classic Yachts Challenge Series.
1.4. Competitors from outside the U.S. may carry personal flotation devices approved by their nations' certification authority to meet the carriage requirements.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board three days prior to the regatta.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

3.1. The Official Notice Board is online at NRW Notice Board .
3.2. Each boat shall bring their own VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 71-74.
3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
3.4. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1. Boats with a minimum LOA of 24' with current and valid 2023 CRF or PHRF-NE ratings are eligible.
4.2. A Schooner CRF class is also invited.
4.3. Boats in any Division may be divided into Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Sub-Divisions.
4.4. Divisions or Sub-Divisions with fewer than five entries may be combined with other Divisions or Sub-Divisions, and be assigned to the same Starting Class as other Divisions or Sub- Divisions.
4.5. To apply for a PHRF-NE rating certificate, go to http://www.phrfne.org. To apply for a CRF rating certificate, go to https://www.classicyachts.org/ratings/.
4.6. One Design starts may be created at the discretion of the Organizing Authority if four or more competitors enter any One Design class no later than Thursday, August 17 at 1800.
4.7. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online (click on the Sailing tab) and submitting the entry form and the required fee no later than Thursday, August 17 at 1800. We will verify your rating certificate is current when we receive your entry.
4.8. A preliminary scratch sheet will be published by 1000 on Thursday, August 17. Boats may change Divisions no later than 1800 on Thursday, August 17. The final scratch sheet will be posted on Thursday at 1900.
4.9. All boats shall register at the Regatta Desk in the NYC Ballroom on Thursday, August 17 between 0800-1800.
4.10. The Organizing Authority may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry.
4.11. Membership in US Sailing is encouraged.

5. FEES

5.1. The entry fee for all boats is $300. ($100 of the entry fee is a tax-deductible charitable contribution to NCS.)
5.2. If racing on Saturday only, the entry fee is $200 with no charitable contribution.
5.3. Entries, including current rating certificates, and/or fees received after August 9 will be assessed a late fee of $100. The late fee of $100 is a tax-deductible contribution to NCS. All entries shall be submitted and completed (including valid certificate and fee) no later than August 17 at 1800.

6. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1. The first warning signal will be 1100 on both days. The Schooner Class warning will be 1145.

7.2. Four races are scheduled for all classes except the Schooner. The Schooner Class will each have one random-leg course each day.

7.3. Competitors are invited to register for the social events on the website:

7.3.1. Friday, Aug 18 1830 NRW 20th Anniversary Party at NYC

7.3.2. Saturday, Aug 19 1730 – 1930 Classic Yacht Exhibition, Straight Wharf

7.3.3. Saturday, Aug 19 1900 Crew Dinner and Nantucket Regatta Awards Ceremony at GHYC

8. VENUE

The racing areas will be in Nantucket Sound.

9. COURSES

9.1. The courses, except for Schooners, will be windward-leeward or triangles.

9.2. Schooner courses will be a single random-leg course each day using mostly government buoys.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1. The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply.

10.2. The protest committee may impose penalties less than disqualification (DP), for violation of the class rules and racing rules other than those of RRS Part 1 and Part 2. This changes RRS 64.2.

11. SCORING

11.1. One completed race constitutes a regatta.

11.2. PHRF and CRF time allowances will be computed using time-on-distance.

11.3. A boat's regatta/series score will be the total of her race scores, with no score excluded.

11.4. For boats competing in the CYOA Series, only the best 3 races count towards the Series.

12. PRIZES

12.1. First, second, and third place overall prizes may be awarded for each Division. Best performance will be awarded the Gifford Bowl and the best locally-sailed performance wins the Halsted / Reiner Trophy.

12.2. *The Commodores' Cup* will be awarded to the boat with the best combined performance in the Nantucket Regatta and Opera House Cup.

12.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority

13. CLEAN REGATTA

Nantucket Race Week is committed to maintaining Nantucket's clean waters and shores, and is certified by Sailors for the Sea as a gold-level Clean Regatta. All NRW participants are encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of the Clean Regatta Program.

14. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate and valid third-party liability insurance.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers, Nantucket Race Week L.L.C., the Nantucket Yacht Club, Great Harbor Yacht Club, Nantucket Community Sailing, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Technical Committee, volunteers, sponsors, agents, employees, or any other organization or

official providing services at the request of any of the foregoing in connection with the events will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or the injury, disease or illness to any person sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, skippers, crews and support persons) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15.2. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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.**

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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