

42<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Mount Sinai Sailing Association  
ACS Sailing Regatta  
1982 – 2023



Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. 2023

## Notice of Race

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority is the Mount Sinai Sailing Association.
- 1.2 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3 RRS Rule 52 is changed to allow autopilots on boats that are sailed double-handed or single-handed.
- 1.4 Racing Classes will be established for PHRF Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Double-Handed and Cruising based on the number of entries of each type.

### 2 VIRTUAL REGATTA

- 2.1 The fundraising effort includes a virtual regatta that will be established on-line.

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- 2.2 Anyone may establish an On-Line Boat/Team to compete for the Virtual Regatta. Details may be found at: [ACSEngage.org/MSSA](https://ACSEngage.org/MSSA)

### **3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 18:00 on **Friday, September 15, 2023** at the Mount Sinai Harbor Marina Tower. Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on the MSSA website: [www.mssa.org](http://www.mssa.org)
- 3.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions for all classes, prescribing their class flag identifications and the anticipated starting sequence and start times.

### **4 COMMUNICATION**

- 4.1 The online official notice board is located at [www.mssa.org](http://www.mssa.org)
- 4.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on *16, 68, and 72*
- 4.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.4 While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### **5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 5.1 The event is open to all self-righting, single-hulled auxiliary sailing yachts which are suitable for rating under the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound Performance Handicap Racing Fleet regulations.
- 5.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, to Mount Sinai

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Sailing Association, PO Box 291, Mount Sinai, NY 11766.  
Entries must be received by **Monday, August 15, 2023.**

5.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5.5 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority

### **6 FEES**

6.1 Entry fees (Standard Fee includes registration for the race and 2 bracelets for admission to the party; Captain's Pack includes registration for the race, 5 bracelets for the party and 1 T-shirt)

Class	Standard Fee	Late Fee	Captain's
<i>PHRF</i>	<i>\$85</i>	<i>\$100</i>	<i>\$175</i>

6.2 Other fees:

*Additional Party Bracelets: \$10 each*

6.3 This regatta is a charity event, refunds will not be offered.

### **7 CREW LIMITATIONS**

7.1 The following crew limitations apply. *Weight Limits per the PHRF Regulations of the YRALIS.*

### **8 ADVERTISING AND PHOTOGRAPHY**

8.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8.2 By participating in this regatta, each competitor grants to the organizing authority, its members, sponsors, and invited media organizations the right to make, use and show any photographs, sound recordings, and/or motion pictures of them or their property made during the period of the regatta

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and after-party without compensation. This right is granted in perpetuity.

### **9 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

- 9.1 This Race is a qualifier for certain YRALIS Trophies, consult the YRALIS for details.

### **10 SCHEDULE**

- 10.1 Skippers Meeting at the Mount Sinai Marina Tower:

Date	From	To
<a href="#">09/15/2023</a>	<a href="#">18:00</a>	<a href="#">19:00</a>

- 10.2 Racing will be conducted on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> with an alternate\* date of Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>. The first warning will be at 11:00, Post Regatta Party will commence at 16:00 on Saturday.

\* In case of abandonment of Saturday's race, at the discretion of the race organizers.

- 10.3 The Time Limit for all races and classes is 15:30 hrs. on the day of the race.

### **11 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 11.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate or request a provisional rating from the Organizing Authority - MSSA Scoring/Handicapping Committee: [scoring@mssa.org](mailto:scoring@mssa.org)
- 11.2 Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance to their PHRF Certifications and requirements presented in this Notice of Race.

### **12 COURSES**

- 12.1 The course to be sailed will be prescribed by the Race Committee on the day of the race. They will be held in the vicinity of Mount Sinai Inlet, Long Island N.Y.

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- 12.2 The marks that may be used may be a combination of Government Buoys, MSSA Club Marks, Port Jefferson Yacht Club Marks, and Temporary Marks as described in the Sailing Instructions.

### **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 13.1 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.**

### **14 INSURANCE**

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with current, valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate, taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

### **15 PRIZES**

- 15.1 Prizes will be given as follows: *1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place for each division within the racing class. i.e. spinnaker, non-spinnaker, cruising, double handed, etc. The Joann Cup will be awarded to the Best Overall Spinnaker performance. The Casey Cup will be awarded to the Best Overall Non-spinnaker performance. The Mather Cup will be awarded to the club with the three yachts having the best corrected times. The Virtual Award will be given to the boat that has raised the highest dollar amount using the On Line Regatta.*

### **16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 16.1 For further information please contact [vicecommodore@mssa.org](mailto:vicecommodore@mssa.org), or Alison DeNicola – [Alison.DeNicola@gmail.com](mailto:Alison.DeNicola@gmail.com) or Michael DeNicola - (631-445-3738).