Hempstead Harbor Wednesday Night Series Glen Cove, NY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS -2015 (AMENDED JULY 25)



1 RULES

This Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. Owners must be registered on www.yachtscoring.com prior to racing as described in Notice of Race.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Regatta bulletin board between the main room and the kitchen and shall be posted on www.hempsteadharbourclub.com prior to 1800 the day before it takes effect.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be made prior to 9:00 PM the day before it takes effect, will be posted on the Regatta Bulletin Board and posted on www.hempsteadharbourclub.com.



4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE



The race may be postponed by flying Code flag AP with 2 horns and/or cancelled by flying code flag N with three horns from shore on the HHC club flagpole and as a courtesy by announcing on VHF Radio CH 72, at 1830 and as needed thereafter. When Code flag AP is lowered with one sound signal, warning signal will be in 15 minutes from Sunset.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND STARTING TIMES (AMENDED July 25)

Races are every Wednesday Night from May 27, 2015 to September 9, 2015. First Warning Signal shall be made at 1850 for Division 1 Class 1. Rolling five minute starts for Division 1 Class 2, (1855 Warning, 1900 Start) and Division 2 Class 3(1900 Warning, 1905 Start)

6 RACING AREA

The racing area shall be in Hempstead Harbor.

7 COURSES (AMENDED JULY 25)

The courses will be displayed on the race committee boat Sunset. Letters will be displayed vertically with the division number on top. A placard below the course will be Green with the letter S to mean leave marks to starboard, or Red with the letter P to mean leave marks to Port. If a 2X is displayed on the Green or Red placard, the course is to be sailed twice around. In a twice around course, competitors must sail through the gate at the end of the first lap. Division placards above the course letters indicate Division 1 and 2. Classes 1 & 2 in Division 1 will have the same course, but different starts. Division 2 is Class 3. The scratch sheet is published separately and posted on club website and on club bulletin board at least 24 hours prior to first race. Skippers are required to obtain scratch sheet to know which Division/Class they are in.

8 MARKS

Government marks and Hempstead Harbour Club Fixed marks as designated in Attachment A to the Sailing Instructions will be used. Fixed club marks are orange Jim buoys.

The mooring ball and pennant of Sunset's mooring shall be treated as part of committee boat.

9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES, STARTING SYSTEM (AMENDED July 25)

The starting and finishing lines will be between a white flag on Sunset and the course side of a yellow or orange inflatable cylinder mark for the starting pin set by the race committee. Depending on how the pin is set, it may be left on a different side then the P or S above indicates.

15 minutes	Class Flag 1 raised	1 horn	WARNING Class 1	
14 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Class 1	
11 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Class 1	
10 minutes	Class Flag 1 lowered & Class Flag 2 raised	1 horn	START Class 1 & Warning Class 2	
9 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Class 2	
6 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Class 2	
5 minutes	Class Flag 2 lowered & Class Flag 3 raised	1 horn	START Class 2 & Warning Class 3	
4 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Class 3	
1 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Class 3	
0 minutes	Class Flag 3 lowered	1 horn	START Class 3	

A competitor starting more than fifteen minutes after her start time shall be scored Did Not Start, DNS. This changes Rule A4.

10 CHANGE OF COURSE



Courses that are twice around (2X) may have the second lap changed with repetitive sounds of the horn and may or may not display Code Flag C. The course will be posted on the committee boat for the second lap. If course is changed it must be done before the first boat crosses the gate at the end of the first lap. This modifies Rule 33.

11 SHORTEN COURSE



Courses that are twice around (2X) may be shortened by sounding two horns and may or may not display Code flag S. Due to the fixed location of Sunset the course can only be shorted at the gate at the end of the first lap. If course is shorted it must be signaled before first boat crosses the gate at the end of the first lap. This modifies Rule 32.2

12 RECALLS



Individual Recalls: the Race Committee will endeavor to hail individual boats by loud hailer or on VHF radio CH 72. Failure to hear a hail or radio call does not relieve a boat of responsibility to start correctly. Failure of the Race Committee to hail will not be cause for redress. Code flag X may or may not be flown. This modifies Rule 29.1.



General Recall:the Race Committee will sound two horns and hail general recall over VHF radio CH 72. When the Race Committee deems appropriate, it will hoist the Preparatory Signal and sound one horn five minutes before the start. The First Repeater may or may not be flown. This modifies Rule 29.2.

13 STARTING PENALTIES

I Flag Rule (Round the Ends) is always in effect at the start. If any part of a boats's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or one of its extensions during the last minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension to the pre-start side before starting. Flag I will not be flown. This modifies Rule 30.1.

14 TIME LIMIT

Each Class has its own separate time limit. The first boat in each Class has to finish within 2 hours of her Class's start. All other boats have to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her Class sails the course and finishes or will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS



Protests shall be delivered to the Regatta Chairmen, or his mailbox at the club, or emailed to him at https://html.com, no later than 2300 hours the day of the finish of the race or 2 hours after the finish, which ever is later. A list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible at HHC, to be scheduled by the Regatta Chairmen.

16 SCORING

Races finishes will be calculated using PHRF time-on-distance. PHRF ratings will be either as indicated on a valid YRA of LIS PHRF certificate or in the case of no certificate, rating will be assigned by Club Measurer from looking up similar yachts on YRA of LIS PHRF list. Club Measurer will confirm all ratings within 10 days of issuing 2015 WNS scratch sheet.

First Half, Second Half and Total Series will be scored as a series using Percentage Cox-Sprague. Boats must have started in at least 50% of the races sailed of a Series to qualify. <u>WWW.yachtscoring.com</u> currently shows low point scoring which will not be used for scoring this series. Percentage Cox-Sprague scoring for series will be distributed separately by email and posted on HHC website http://hempsteadharbourclub.com/racing/ raceresults/. Percentage Cox-Sprague results maybe shown on Yachtscoring for this series when available to HHC regatta committee.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

Boats are required to check in with the Race Committee before the Warning.

Boats withdrawing shall notify the Race Committee in person or via Radio CH 72 as soon as possible.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Boats shall monitor VHF Radio CH 72 to hear broadcasts from the Race Committee. Except for an emergency or to hail the Race Committee to indicate a boat is retiring from the race, boats shall not otherwise use the radio while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, except for use of GPS Apps.

As a courtesy, the Race Committee may broadcast via VHF radio CH 72 postponements, cancelations or time of warning after a postponement or preparatory after a General Recall. Failure to do so is not grounds for redress.

19 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and, if five or more boats, Third place in each Division for First Half, Second Half and Total Series.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 these races.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with appropriate coverage.

Attachment A: RACING MARKS

- C Prospect Point RN 4, red nun
- D Hempstead Harbour RN 2, red nun
- E Prospect Point G 23; FL G 4s, green Gong
- G HHC Fixed mark, north of Glen Cove Breakwater, approximately midway between Z and Y; N 040° 52.347, W 073° 40.215'
- J HHC Fixed mark, between Y and end of Glen Cove Breakwater; N 040° 52.191, W 073° 39.626'
- K Matinecock Point Shoal G 21, FL G 4s, green Gong
- M HHC Fixed mark, South of Creek channel entrance, towards the gravel barge moorings; N 040° 50.735', W 073° 39.508'
- S Hempstead Harbor Anchorage Yellow Can B, southerly yellow can
- Y Hempstead Harbor GC 1, green Can
- Z Mott Point R6, red Bell

