



CASRA

CHICAGO AREA SAIL RACING ASSOCIATION



2021 NOTICE OF RACES

FOR RALLY RACES, GO TO PAGE 2

FOR DISTANCE RACES, GO TO PAGE 8

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

Organizing Authorities (OA's): Burnham Park Yacht Club ("BPYC"), Chicago Yacht Club ("CYC"), Columbia Yacht Club ("COLYC"), and Jackson Park Yacht Club ("JPYC").

July 10 - September 11, 2021

NOTICE OF RACE and SERIES (NOR/S)

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. This Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 ("RRS") available at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.2. U.S. Sailing prescriptions will apply, except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2.
- 1.3. RRS 52 is changed as follows: Power-driven winches and mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted.
- 1.4. [NP] COVID-19 can be a serious health concern and each competitor should judge his or her own ability to participate during this health threat. All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors, specifically including any crew limits and requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions provide additional details concerning the conduct of each race. They will be available prior to May 15, 2021 at www.chicagosailracing.org.
- 2.2. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Series and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at www.chicagosailracing.org.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3. To facilitate sharing of information and learning, boats are permitted to make voice or data transmissions via VHF radio, and may provide advice and coaching to each other. This changes RRS 41.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The races are open to all boats of at least 22 feet length overall.
- 4.2. All boats shall carry a working VHF radio.
- 4.3. All boats must have auxiliary power capability.
- 4.4. Because boats are of different sizes and speeds, it is necessary to use a handicapping system to properly score each race. CASRA's Handicap Committee will assign each boat a rating (CASRA Rally Rating) which is valid only for the events in this series. The rating will be based on a boat's valid LMPHRF certificate if available. For boats without a valid LMPHRF certificate, a member of the CASRA Handicap Committee may contact owners to obtain additional information about their boat to determine the proper rating.
- 4.5. Boats must carry safety equipment in conformance with United States Coast Guard recreational safety requirements.
- 4.6. Boats must sail with at least two crew members for each race.
- 4.7. Classes are defined as follows:

Spinnaker	Boats that intend to use a spinnaker at some point during the race
Jib and Main (JAM)	Boats that will only sail with a jib/genoa and/or mainsail.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

- 4.8. Eligible boats may enter by submitting the online entry form accessible at www.chicagosailracing.org along with the required fee.
- 4.9. Registration will open on May 15, 2021. In order to participate in any event, boats must be registered no later than 1200 on the day prior to that race's start.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fee for the Rally series is \$80. However, this entry fee shall be waived if the entered boat has rented a mooring in one of Westrec Marinas' Chicago harbors for the 2021 season.
- 5.2. All entry fees are refundable, subject to a \$10 administration fee. In order to receive a refund for a race, yachts must withdraw via Yacht Scoring no later than 24 hours prior to the start of the first race in the series.

6. SCHEDULE

Date	Event	OA(s)	1st Warning
July 10	RailDeck Rally	COLYC	1245
August 21	Pursuit of Happiness	JPYC/BPYC	1245
August 22	Pursuit of Happiness	JPYC/BPYC	1245
September 11	Chicago Regatta Rally	CYC	1245

7. VENUE

The venue for these races will be the waters of Lake Michigan, with specific starting areas outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The courses to be sailed will use a number of fixed, government marks in the waters of Lake Michigan near Chicago.
- 8.2. The marks that may be used are as follows:

Designation	Approximate Latitude, Longitude
Four Mile Crib	41° 52.40' N, 87° 32.70' W
Harrison-Dever Crib	41° 55.00' N, 87° 34.30' W
Wilson Ave. Crib	41° 58.00' N, 87° 35.50' W
68th St. Crib	41° 47.18' N, 87° 31.80' W
Clemson Shoal Buoy ("4")	41° 48.41' N, 87° 32.08' W

9. SCORING

- 9.1. Each race will be scored individually.
- 9.2. All four (4) races will be scored as a series, using a boat's three (3) best races. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 9.3. Time-on-Time scoring will be applied using the following formula:
CASRA TOT Rally Rating = $650 / (550 + \text{CASRA Rally Rating})$.
- 9.4. The Low Point System (RRS A4) will apply.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

10. RISK STATEMENT

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.**

11. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

12. PRIZES

For each race, prizes will be given for first, second, and third places in each class. Organizing Authorities may award additional prizes at their discretion. Additionally, series prizes will be awarded to boats placing first, second, and third in each division.

13. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit www.chicagosailracing.org for additional information. Please direct any questions to info@chicagosailracing.org.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF SERIES

RALLY SERIES

15. THANKS

Thanks to all competitors for participating in the events, and a special thanks to Chicago Harbors for its sponsorship of the Rally Series!

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

Organizing Authorities (OA's): Burnham Park Yacht Club (BPLYC), Chicago Yacht Club (CYC), Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club (CCYC), Columbia Yacht Club (COLYC), Jackson Park Yacht Club (JPYC), Michigan City Yacht Club (MCYC), St. Joseph River Yacht Club (SJRYC), and Waukegan Yacht Club (WYC).

May 29 - October 2, 2021

NOTICE OF RACES

This Notice of Races provides basic information about the Chicago Area Sail Racing Association's Distance Events. These events are designed to provide outstanding competition for offshore boats wishing to race medium and long distance races. Please join us for fun and competition on the lakefront this summer!

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. These races will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
- 1.2. U.S. Sailing prescriptions will apply, except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2.
- 1.3. [NP] COVID-19 can be a serious health concern and each competitor should judge his or her own ability to participate during this health threat. All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors, specifically including any crew limits and requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE).

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Races and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board for each event is accessible at www.chicagosailracing.org.
- 3.2. Failure to receive courtesy emails, text messages, or broadcasts from the Race Committee is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 3.3. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4. Commercial pay services, i.e. XM Radio, SailFlow, and PredictWind, are considered to be available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. These events are open to any boat of at least 25 feet length overall with a valid 2021 LMPHRF certificate, and boats must race in full compliance with that certificate.
- 4.2. LMPHRF Distance Handicap (DHCP) rating applies to all boats.
- 4.3. Boats must sail with at least two crew members for each race.
- 4.4. For each Race, the OA(s) will provide separate classes for multihull and "jib and main" entrants if sufficient entrants exist.
- 4.5. Groups of four or more one-design boats desiring to race in a separate class may petition the OA(s) for acceptance as a class. Petitions should be addressed to info@chicagosailracing.org, and shall be made no later than May 15, 2021.
- 4.6. One-design boats accepted as a class by an OA(s) are exempt from section 4.2 of this Notice of Races and must race in compliance with the following rules.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

- 4.6.1. T-10s must comply with the rules of the National T-10 Association and the local rules of Fleet Number 2. In the event of a discrepancy between the two, the latter shall control.
- 4.6.2. Beneteau 36.7s must comply with the Beneteau First 36.7 North American One-Design Class Rules and the local rules of the Beneteau First 36.7 Lake Michigan Fleet.
- 4.6.3. Beneteau 40.7s must comply with Beneteau First 40.7 North American One Design Class Rules.
- 4.6.4. All other one design classes must comply with their respective class rules.
- 4.7. A group of four or more boats desiring to race in a double-handed class in the Gold Star Regatta or any of the Tri-State or Bi-State events may petition the OA(s) for acceptance as a class. Petitions should be addressed to info@chicagosailracing.org, and shall be made no later than May 15, 2021.
- 4.8. The Bi-State Fly-By will offer only a double-handed class. Sections 4.3, 4.4, 4.6 and 4.7 of this NOR do not apply to this event.
- 4.9. A group of four or more boats desiring to race in a single-handed class may petition the OA's for the Bi-State Fly-By for acceptance as a class. Petitions should be addressed to info@chicagosailracing.org, and shall be made no later than May 15, 2021.
- 4.10. Should the OA's offer a single-handed class, additional rules pertaining to that class will be published in an amendment to the NOR.
- 4.11. Boats must carry safety equipment in conformance with the CASRA **Nearshore** Safety Regulations.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

- 4.12. Boats participating in the Chicago-Michigan City-Chicago Race, the Bi-State and Tri-State Races, and the Bi-State Fly-By, must comply with CASRA **Offshore** Safety Regulations.
- 4.13. Eligible boats may enter any one or more of these events by completing the online entry form at each event's website, accessible via www.chicagosailracing.org.
- 4.14. To be considered an entry in any of these events, a boat must complete all registration requirements and pay all fees no later than 1200 on the day prior to an event's start time.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The Regular Entry Fee for each event is \$60.
- 5.2. Boats entering and paying for a race by May 1, 2021, or 30 days or more in advance of the Race's start date (whichever is later) will be entitled to pay a \$40 Early Entry Fee.
- 5.3. All entry fees are refundable, subject to a \$10 administration fee. In order to receive a refund for a race, yachts must withdraw via Yacht Scoring no later than 24 hours prior to the start of a race.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1. Any advertising proposed to be carried by a boat must be described in the Entry Form.
- 6.2. Advertising deemed by Organizing Authorities not to be compliant with World Sailing Regulation 20 may be rejected.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

7. SCHEDULE

All times listed are CDT.

Date	Event	OA's	1st Warning
May 29 & 30	Spring Opener	CCYC	1100
June 19	Chicago to Waukegan	CCYC/WYC	900
June 20	Waukegan to Chicago	CCYC/WYC	900
June 25	Chicago-Michigan City-Chicago	COLYC/BPYC	1830
June 27	Gold Star Regatta	JPYC	1030
July 3 & 4	Third Coast Cup	CCYC	1100
July 31	Hobelman Regatta	CCYC	1100
August 21 & August 22	Pursuit of Happiness	JPYC/BPYC	1100 1000
August 29	Polonia Cup	CCYC	1200
September 3	Tri-State: Chicago to St. Joe & Bi-State Fly-By	COLYC/SJRYC/ JPYC	1830
September 5	Bi-State: St. Joe to Chicago	JPYC	800
September 5	Tri-State: St. Joe to Michigan City	BPYC/MCYC	1000
September 6	Tri-State: Michigan City to Chicago	JPYC	0930
September 18	Sheldon Clark	CYC	1030
October 2	Herb Kaczmarek	CCYC	1000

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Measurement and weigh-ins will not be conducted by the OA's.

9. VENUE AND COURSES

The venue for these races will be the waters of Lake Michigan, with specific starting areas outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

10.1. Each Race will be scored individually and independently.

10.2. Class breaks will be set by each OA and transmitted to competitors by 1200 hours Thursday prior to each weekend's race(s).

11. DOCKING

To the extent possible, Organizing Authorities will make docking available to entered boats. Availability of docking for post-race parties and docking instructions will be outlined in amendments for each race.

12. RISK STATEMENT

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.**

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST





2021 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

14. 14. PRIZES

- For each event, prizes will be given as follows:

Starters in a Class	Prizes
1-4	1
5-6	2
7-14	3
15-19	4
20 or more	5

15. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit www.chicagosailracing.org for additional information. Please direct any questions to info@chicagosailracing.org.

17. THANKS

Thanks to all sailors for joining us for these events, and a special thanks to our sponsors!

PROUD GOLD-LEVEL SPONSORS OF CASRA:



WINTRUST

