



66th ANNUAL STRATFORD SHOAL RACE  
THE GEARBUSTER

Saturday, October 9, 2021

Indian Harbor Yacht Club  
Organizing Authority

NOTICE OF RACE

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The measurement rules will be PHRF Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker rules as administered by the YRA of LIS (<https://admin.yralis.org/storage/file-manager/Phrf%20racing%20files/PHRF%20Regulations-Updated%202021.pdf>) and ORC rules (<http://orc.org/rules>).
- 1.3. This race is a qualifier for the YRALIS Windigo, Sagola, du Moulin, King's Point, Mertz and Youth Challenge Cup trophies.
- 1.4. PHRF boats will be scored using the distance racing handicap issued by the YRA of LIS and scored using time-on-distance.
- 1.5. Participants shall be required to comply with basic US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) 2021 for Nearshore Category Races, available online:  
<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Monohull-SER-2021.0.pdf>
  - 1.5.1. Add to US Sailing SER 3.19.1: If no magnetic compass is permanently mounted, a handheld magnetic compass, suitable for steering at sea, may be used.
- 1.6. Each boat shall fly from its backstay six or more feet above the deck a numeral pennant corresponding to its class.
- 1.7. Any Plus One class(es) may be included provided there are at least five entries. Any Plus One class(es) will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.
- 1.8. One design class(es) may be included, provided there are five or more entries. If applicable, one design class(es) shall comply with class rules. Any one design class will be treated as separate for the purpose of awarding the Windward and Todd trophies.

**2. DOUBLE-HANDED RULES**

- 2.1. Crew limit is two persons, one of whom must be 18 years of age or older.
- 2.2. Wind vanes or electric self-steering devices may be used.
- 2.3. Jack lines must be rigged both port and starboard, and run from the cockpit to the bow.

**3. YOUTH CHALLENGE RULES**

- 3.1. Youth Challenge entries shall meet the requirement that 1/3 of the crew's ages are between 14 and 23 (rounded to the nearest whole number) and shall send a confirmation email to [scores@yralis.org](mailto:scores@yralis.org) indicating the total number of crew and the number of qualified youth on board.
- 3.2. Youth Challenge entries shall fly code flag "Juliet" along with its class flag on its backstay and add the initials "YC" after the yacht's name on the entry form.

#### **4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- 4.1. This race is open to boats owned by or under charter to members of the YRA of LIS or other US Sailing Association, and boats of foreign registry including PHRF fully crewed, PHRF Plus One, PHRF double-handed and PHRF fully crewed/non-spinnaker and any one-design fleet with five or more entries.
  - 4.1.1. Plus One entrants sail with a maximum number aboard equal to the first digit of a boat's rated length over all plus one subject to notice (e.g.: a 36' boat can have up to four crew).
- 4.2. Entry is via [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com)
- 4.3. Entries and payment must be submitted online and completed prior to Thursday, October 7, 2021.
- 4.4. Entry fee is \$105.
- 4.5. All entries must have a current YRS of LIS measurement certificate in order to be scored.

#### **5. SCHEDULE**

The first warning is scheduled for 1055, Saturday, October 9, 2021.

#### **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available online at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) prior to Friday, October 8, 2021.

#### **7. COURSES**

The courses will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

#### **8. PRIZES**

- 8.1. The Windward Cup, a perpetual prize, will be awarded to the winner based on corrected time of the class with the largest number of starters sailing the long course.
- 8.2. The William H. Todd Trophy, a perpetual prize, will be awarded to the winner based on corrected time on the long-course.
- 8.3. The Philip F. Miller III Trophy, a perpetual prize, will be awarded to the overall non-spinnaker winner on corrected time on the short course.
- 8.4. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in each class.
- 8.5. Prizes will be mailed to competitors.

#### **9. MOORINGS**

Moorings are available at no charge from October 7 through October 11, 2021. Reservations are required and should be made through [Dockwa](http://Dockwa). The standard mooring fee will be credited back through the app after a mooring request is made. IHYC operates on VHF 68. Longer-duration moorings related to the event are available, at a discounted event price of \$25/night.

#### **10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 & 4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

#### **11. CONTACT INFORMATION**

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