



**2022 Fawcett's Friday Night Beer Can Series**  
**Fridays, 20 May – 12 August 2022**  
**Annapolis, MD**

Organizing Authority: Eastport Yacht Club

**Notice of Race**

*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. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. One-design class rules will apply.
- 1.3. Double headsails are not permitted in the Non-Spinnaker classes.
- 1.4. [NP] Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) recommends that each competitor review and prepare their boat to the U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements, Nearshore. A copy of the Nearshore requirements is available at [www.eastportyc.org/racing](http://www.eastportyc.org/racing), located under "Racing Resources."
- 1.5. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

**2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available after 2000 hours on Friday, 13 May 2022 at [www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans](http://www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans).

**3 COMMUNICATIONS**

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at [www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans](http://www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans).
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, and 73.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.
- 3.4. [DP] 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.

**4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. [NP] This race is open to boats of the following classes provided five (5) paid entries must be received by 1700 hours on Wednesday, 18 May 2022.

Spinnaker 1	Non-Spinnaker 1	Cal 25	V-Boats
Spinnaker 2	Non-Spinnaker 2	Harbor 20	

- 4.2. Handicap class splits and the overall starting order will be defined in the SIs.
- 4.3. The V-Boats class will be comprised of boats from the Viper 640 and/or VxOne classes.
- 4.4. Competitors in handicap classes shall have a valid 2022 PHRF rating certificate.



- 4.5. Additional one-design classes will be accepted upon the receipt of five (5) paid entries by 1700 hours on Wednesday, 18 May 2022.
- 4.6. A boat will not be allowed to change classes (e.g., switch from Spinnaker 1 to Non-Spinnaker 1) after the first race is sailed.
- 4.7. New entries will be accepted after the first race is sailed and will be assigned to an existing class.
- 4.8. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at [www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans](http://www.eastportyc.org/beer-cans).
- 4.9. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

**5 FEES**

- 5.1. The entry is \$125.
- 5.2. Refunds will not be granted for canceled registrations.

**6 EVENT FORMAT**

- 6.1. Ten (10) races are scheduled.

**7 SCHEDULE**

- 7.1. A competitor’s meeting will be hosted by the Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) Race Committee (RC) via ZOOM on Thursday, 19 May 2022 at 1900 hours. An email invitation with details for the ZOOM meeting will be sent to competitors no later than 1700 hours on Thursday, 19 May 2022.
- 7.2. The race schedule is as follows:

May	June	July	August
20	3, 10, 17, & 24	8, 15, 22 & 29	12

- 7.3. It is the intent of the RC that the Warning Signal for the first class will be at 1815 hours, in the vicinity of Severn River G “9” QG

**8 VENUE**

- 8.1. The racing area will be the Severn River as shown in Attachment 1.
- 8.2. Eastport Yacht Club, 317 First Street, Annapolis, MD, 21403, extends the courtesy of its bar and galley to race participants for post-race socials and awards presentations.

**9 COURSES**

- 9.1. Competitors will sail fixed mark courses on the Severn River.

**10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1. RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 10.2. Hearings conducted in accordance with the rules of RRS Part 5, [Hearings & Decisions] will be virtual hearings and parties, parties’ representatives and witnesses to such hearings shall have access to a device that has internet accessibility with audio and video capability; parties and witnesses must use audio and video to appear before a hearing panel unless advised otherwise by the hearing panel. See *Eastport YC Online Hearing Guidelines - 2022* posted on the Official Notice Board.

**11 SCORING**



- 11.1. PHRF classes will be scored in accordance with the PHRF Time-on-Time Circular Random Course ratings.
- 11.2. The V-Boats class will be scored as a one-design class with no handicapping applied between the Viper 640 and VxOne boats.
- 11.3. A boat's worst score will be discarded if five (5) or more races are sailed. A boat's worst two (2) scores will be discarded if nine (9) or more races are sailed.
- 11.4. RRS 90.3 (e) will apply with the time limit changed to seven (7) days. This changes RRS 90.3 (e).
- 11.5. Rule A5.3 does not apply.

## **12 RISK STATEMENT**

- 12.1. Boats participate in the Fawcett's Friday Night Beer Can Series entirely at their own risk; see RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority (OA) will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

## **13 INSURANCE**

- 13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **14 PRIZES**

- 14.1. Weekly prizes will be distributed to the winning boat in each scored class.
- 14.2. An end of season party will be held at EYC on Friday, 9 September 2022, beginning at 1800 hours, depending upon local, state, and federal health and safety guidelines in effect at that time. Prizes for the Overall results will be presented.
- 14.3. The Valhalla Sailing Project Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the boat meeting the veteran crew requirements and having the best performance (lowest score) at the end of the annual Fawcett's Friday Night Beer Can race series.
- 14.4. Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the OA.

## **15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 15.1. For further information please contact [race.committee@eastportyc.org](mailto:race.committee@eastportyc.org).



### Attachment 1

The racing area will be on the Chesapeake Bay in the vicinity of Severn River G "9" QG, shown in the diagram below.

