Avalon Cup Regatta – 2022 Avalon – Cape May



Notice of Race The Avalon Cup Regatta Saturday and Sunday, July 30-31, 2022 The Avalon Yacht Club and Corinthian Yacht Club of Cape May are proud to invite all offshore sailors to compete for the Avalon Cup. The annual Avalon Cup Regatta serves as the second event in the 2022 MAYRA Offshore Racing Circuit. The organizing authority is AYC.

This event for monohull sailboats will include a combination of two races for each class, around buoys, scored by finishes within class and, a distance race which will score finishes by class for class awards. The Avalon Cup will be awarded to the boat with the fastest corrected time in the distance race. All scoring will be based on ORR EZ ratings.

1. **Rules**. The race, for monohulled sailboats, will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, prescriptions of US Sailing and ORR EZ, and the Sailing Instructions. All boats competing (except Flying Scot) must provide a current (2022) ORR EZ certificate when registering at *yachtscoring.com*

There will be 4 classes: The Flying Scot class, and 3 which are generally structured on Chesapeake Racer Cruiser Association groupings:

- Class A "Racer Cruiser" examples of boats in this class includes J70, J24, Viper, J105, Colgate 26.
- Class B is "Performance Cruisers" Spinnaker. Examples such as Catalina 250,27,30, Tartan 34C, Alerion 33 Sport, Alerion 26.
- Class C "Performance Cruiser" Non-Spinnaker. Same as Class B without Spinnaker and, any other non-spinnaker boat.

See the document named Class Info posted in *yachtscoring.com* for information on classes etc.

- If you any questions regarding classes, please contact Mike Mandell at <u>msman64@comcast.net</u>
- The Race Committee at its sole discretion will assign or reassign yachts to the classes that best fits description of "Performance Cruiser" or "Racer Cruiser" to maximize competitiveness and, if necessary to balance class size
- Apply for an ORR-EZ certificate at: <u>https://www.regattaman.com/certificate_page.php</u>. Click on the Mid Atlantic regional group apply/renew
- All races will be scored using ORR EZ will be scored using Time over Time ratings
- All competitors must register for the regatta at *yachtscoring.com*:
 <u>https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15323</u>
- Competitors should provide a phone number to receive texts and an email address in *yachtscoring.com*.
- 2. **Notice to Competitors.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the AYC Sailing Center.

3. **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions will be posted on *yachtscoring.com* by Wednesday July 27. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted as soon as practical but no later than 0900 of day the change takes place. Official notices will also be posted on *yachtscoring.com*.

4. Schedule of Races.

Flying Scot fleet: One race to the "lump" and back is scheduled on Saturday July 30, 2022

<u>All other fleets</u>: 3 races are scheduled: Two round-the-buoys races on Saturday July 30, 2022, in the ocean near Avalon, and one distance race on Sunday July 31, 2022, in the ocean from Avalon to Cape May.

Saturday July 30, 2022:	First Warning Signal 1200	up to four start sequences
Sunday July 31, 2022:	Warning Signal 1030	All Classes

Classes:

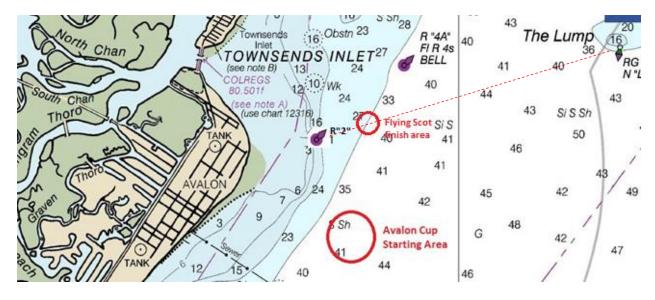
A- ORR EZ Racer Cruiser B- ORR EZ Performance Cruiser-Spinnaker C- ORR EZ Performance Cruiser – Non-Spinnaker FS- Flying Scot*

□ No warning signal after 1545 Saturday July 30.

 \Box Yachts must have a VHF radio for CH 78 & 72.

* Participation of the Flying Scot fleet is entirely dependent on having weather conditions that allow the Flying Scots to safely compete offshore. If weather conditions do not allow the Flying Scots to compete on Saturday July 30th, the make-up event will be the next Inter-Club buoy races which are scheduled for Saturday August 6th on the Great Sound.

6. Racing Area. The racing area for the Flying Scot division will be the ocean waters between Townsends Inlet and the "Lump" buoy off Sea Isle City. The racing area for the remaining divisions will be the ocean waters outside Townsends Inlet for the buoy races, and between Townsends Inlet and Cape May Inlet for the distance race. A single starting line will be located in the area of N 39°05.80', W 74°41.08' which is 0.5 miles south-east of the outermost Townsend Inlet channel marker. A separate finish line for the Flying Scot fleet will be established closer to Townsends Inlet. Approximate locations are shown below:



The Course. The courses will be announced at the "Zoom" Skipper's meeting Thursday July 28 at 1930. The Flying Scot Finish area will be located along the direct line between the RG N "L" (Lump) and R"2" (Townsends Inlet), unless changed in the SI

8. The Start.

- 1. On Saturday July 30: A 1200 first warning signal is planned with up to 4 separate starts for: Flying Scot, A, B, and C classes
- 2. On Sunday July 31: A 1030 warning signal, a single start is planned for all classes.
- 3. **Time limit** for the Sunday distance race is 5.5 Hours from starting signal for Class A and Class B, and 6 hours for Class C.

9. Scoring.

The Low Point Scoring Systems, RRS A4 shall apply except there are no throw-outs, (this changes section A2.1). Class A, B, C shall be scored for class standing using ORR EZ as follows:

- Round-the-Buoys Race 1 25%
- Round-the-Buoys Race 2 25%
- Avalon Cup distance Race 50% Completion of at least one race shall constitute a regatta. (If only two buoy races are sailed each race will count equally.)
- If one buoy race is canceled or abandoned before a boat finishes, the distance race shall count as 66% of the total score for class scoring, the remaining Buoy Race shall be the balance of the 34% of the score.
- All Classes (except Flying Scot) shall compete for the Avalon Cup award for the distance race. The boat with the fastest corrected ORR EZ finish time will be the Avalon Cup Winner.

8. Prizes. Regatta prizes will be awarded as follows:

The Avalon Cup	1 st place distance race based on total fleet ORR-EZ standings
ORR-EZ Spinnaker	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
ORR-EZ non-Spinnaker	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
J-70	1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd}
Flying Scot	1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd}
Other one design fleets	1 st , additional prizes based on number of entrants.

Prizes for the Flying Scot fleet and class buoy races will be presented at the Avalon Yacht Club the night of Saturday July 30. Prizes for the distance race and the Avalon Cup will be presented at the Corinthian Yacht Club of Cape May as soon as possible after the race committee has docked at CYCCM on July 31.

- 9. Fees. Avalon Cup Registration (includes after race refreshments & awards)
 - Flying Scot: \$45
 - ORC: \$50

10. Contact Information.

- Principal Race Officer: Jim Forrester RC Chair, PC Email: forresterbrv@gmail.com, Cell: 540-797-0777
- Regatta Chairperson: Michael Mandell AYC Email: <u>msman64@comcast.net</u>, Cell: (267) 872 2177
- Entry Form: The entry form, fee and liability waiver can be submitted at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15323. Entries must be submitted by Thursday July 28 at 2359. All ORR EZ Certificate numbers should be entered in the YS entry screen. The RC will finalize class assignments by Friday July 29 10:30 PM
- 12. **MAYRA ORC:** The Avalon Cup Regatta 2022 will serve as the second event in the three-part MAYRA Offshore Racing Circuit. Other events in the MAYRA ORC:
 - Lewes Cup June 25 at Lewes Yacht Club NOR and registration: <u>https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15155</u>
 - Cape-to-Cape Challenge XII, August 5-6 at Corinthian Yacht Club of Cape May

Appendix 1: Social Activities

Schedule of Activities:

Thursday July 28th, 2022: 1930 A skippers meeting will take place at AYC and via Zoom.

Saturday July 30th, 2022 (morning)

The Race Committee and Flying Scot fleet will have a harbor start at 1030 from the Avalon Yacht Club and will proceed through the Ocean Drive Bridge and Townsends Inlet to the starting area (N 39°05.80, W 74°41.08). The entire fleet is to rendezvous with the Race Committee at the starting area by **1130**.

Saturday July 30th, 2022 (evening)

Cocktails, dinner, and Flying Scot awards will be held at the Avalon Yacht Club for all competitors and their guests starting at 1800. Advanced purchase of dinner tickets is not required. Payment for dinner and drinks can be made by credit card. For planning purposes, we request reservations with the size of your party. Please contact the club directly at (609) 967-4444 to make your reservation. Make sure to let the club know that your reservation is for the Avalon Cup Dinner.

Sunday July 31st, 2022

The Race Committee will have a harbor start at 0900 from the Avalon Yacht Club and will proceed through the Ocean Drive Bridge and Townsends Inlet to the starting area (N 39°05.80, W 74°41.08). The entire fleet is to rendezvous with the Race Committee at the starting area by **1000**.

AYC Dockage and Hoists:

Dockage and launching will be available at AYC for all sailing and support boats both before and during the regatta.

All Flying Scots and other trailerable keel boats (J/70, J/24, similar) can be stored on their trailers in the AYC boatyard prior to the Avalon Cup and can be launched using the AYC hoist (2 ton capacity).

Larger boats will be permitted to dock at AYC. Alternatively, the Avalon Marine Center is a good overnight location for larger boats. The depth at the outer "T" docks is 8 to 10 feet at low tide. Arrangements can be made by contacting Avalon Marine Center directly at (609) 967-4100.

About Avalon and Townsends Inlet:

Townsends Inlet is a dredged, well marked inlet with good protection from a southerly or southwesterly swell. One draw bridge (Ocean Drive) crosses the inner inlet and opens on demand by communication on VHF channel 13 or by audible signal. The inlet is exposed to an easterly or northeasterly swell although these conditions are unusual for July. A satellite photo is provided for reference.

