



# 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Seafarers Regatta



Saturday, 24 September 2022

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Eastport Yacht Club

## NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

### ABOUT THE CLUB AND THE EVENT

Since its inception in 1959, Seafarers Yacht Club (SYC) has been a beacon in the midst of the Eastport community. Founding members established a club that promoted seamanship and community service. The Club has offered its power and sail boaters the opportunity to cruise and explore the wonderful offerings of the Chesapeake Bay and points beyond. This is done while providing and encouraging continued education and development of boating skills.

As the membership increased over the years, they have increased their community service footprint. Specifically, they have provided Thanksgiving dinners for senior citizens and during the current pandemic challenges, they provided financial assistance to purchase food. Additionally, they provide a two-week summer camp for Maryland youth.

One of the club's most recent achievements was the establishment of the only Sea Scout Ship in Annapolis, Maryland! This program exposes the youth to boating and water-based activities, as well as navigation and other skills.

In addition to our boating activities, the camaraderie and fellowship of the club includes all levels of membership through the participation in various social activities such as the annual Mardi Gras, jazz shows, paint and sip socials, hand and line dance classes and karaoke nights, just to name a few.

The Seafarers collaborated with its members to create a Regatta as a fundraiser for the underserved communities of Annapolis, focusing on youth and seniors participation. The members thought this would be a great way to expose the sport of racing to individuals that had not previously had the opportunity to engage in the great sport of sailing and racing.

### SEAFARERS FOUNDATION

Founded in 2009, the Seafarers Foundation is designed to provide instructions and practical experiences in first aid and life saving measures, water safety, swimming, fishing, boating, the science of navigation, math and reading skills, etiquette, information on career opportunities in the marine environment, and other matters pertaining to everyday life. In 2018, our Summer Youth Program was expanded to two weeks, and now includes 90-minutes a day of chess instruction provided by the U.S. Chess Center, as well as a strong STEM and maritime education program.

The Summer Youth Program has been an overwhelming success. It has brought much acclaim to the Club and Foundation and provided program participants with an awareness and interest that would otherwise be difficult to attain.

The foundation also organizes a Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors and serves as the chartered organization for our Sea Scout Ship 1959.

### COMPETITORS MEETING AND EVENING SOCIAL

A competitors meeting and evening social will be held at Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) on Thursday, 22 September 2022, beginning at 1900. Skippers are encouraged to attend, and crew are welcome. The competitors meeting will address salient points about the race and Race Committee will answer any remaining questions. EYC extends the courtesy of its bar and galley to all race participants.





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## DAY-OF ACTIVITIES

All activities the day of the regatta will be hosted at Seafarers Yacht Club (SYC), 301 Chester Avenue, Annapolis, MD, 21403. A Regatta Watch Party is scheduled for 1200-1500 and will be followed by the post-race party and awards 1700-2200. Entertainment will be provided by a combination of a DJ, along with live music by Caribbean Vibe – everyone’s favorite, fun, & festive steel drum band.

There will be lots of amazing food thanks to [Weekness for Sweetness](#), with their offerings of Caribbean and Jamaican cuisine. Additionally, more traditional American items will be courtesy of [Park Tavern](#). Snacks, including popcorn and cotton candy, will also be available. SYC will also offer a bar stocked with a wide range of mixed drinks, water, and sodas. Craft beer will be provided by the [Oliver Brewing Company](#).

For more information about these activities, tickets and pricing, and other details, please refer to the [SYC event page](#).

## ENVIRONMENT

This is a Clean Regatta; all competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information, contact [info@seafarersyc.com](mailto:info@seafarersyc.com).

