

Top Gun Twilight Series

North Star Sail Club / Albatross Yacht Club Tune Up Race: Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Spring Series: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27

Summer Series: Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, Sep 5, 12, 19



First Warning at 1900

Notice of Race.

Albatross Yacht Club, Warren, MI USA is the organizing authority for the Spring Series, North Star Sail Club, Harrison Township, MI, USA, is the organizing authority for the Summer Series. Both clubs will be providing race management.

1. Rules

- 1.1 This series of races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and as modified by the Anchor Bay Yacht Racing Association 2023 Racing Handbook (ABYRA Handbook), this notice of race, and the sailing instructions for this race.
- 1.2 The ABYRA Handbook will be posted on YachtScoring.com and available on the NSSC website (www.northstarsail.org/racing) and the AYC website (www.sailayc.org) no later than one week prior to the event.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 This series of races is open to sailing vessels owned or chartered by individual members of clubs or associations that are **members in good standing of ABYRA**, **DRYA**, **or US Sailing**, **and who have paid their race fees**.
- 2.2 This race is open to JAM and spinnaker classes, a "Multi -Sail" format will be used for the PHRF spinnaker classes and must be reported to the RC for valid scoring. Class splits will be posted at NSSC no later than 2 hours before the race. Five boats are required for a class.
- 2.3 Registration shall be submitted according to registration instructions on YachtScoring.com.
- 2.4 Entry deadline is one week prior to the first race of each series.

 Late entries will be accepted up to 2 hours prior to the first race of either series, and subject to a \$25.00 late fee. The deadline for the Spring Series is May 2nd and the deadline for the Summer Series is Aug 1st.
- 2.5 In the event that the **registered skipper is unable** to be on board, he or she is allowed to have a duly insured **alternate skipper to represent** him or her in up to two (2) races per series.
- 2.6 A separate registration is required for the Spring Series (deadline May 2nd) and Summer Series (deadline Aug 1st).

3. Fees

3.1 The entry fee is \$100.00 for each series.

4. Schedule

- 4.1 Tune up race: May 9 (does not count for the series).
- 4.2 The Spring Series: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27.
- 4.3 The Summer Series: Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, Sep 5, 12, 19.
- 4.4 The warning signal for the first start is scheduled for 1900.

5. Measurement

5.1 If a boat does not have a current MWPHRF rating certificate, the RC will assign a temporary rating as described in the ABYRA Handbook.

6. Sailing Instructions

6.1 Sailing instructions for this race are included in the ABYRA Handbook under "General Sailing Instructions" and "Top Gun Series Special Notices" will be posted on YachtScoring.com no later than one week prior to the event.

7. Venue

7.1 The venue will be Anchor Bay, Lake St. Clair. The chart shows the approximate location of the racing area.

8. Courses

- 8.1 Available course configurations and visual signals are described in the ABYRA Handbook.
- 8.2 Available Course selection will be visually communicated to competitors prior to the warning signal.

9. Scoring

- 9.1 Races will be scored using time-on-time for all classes and division overall.
- 9.2 See the ABYRA Handbook for series scoring rules.

10. Awards

- 10.1 Results will be announced at NSSC after each race. They will also be available on Yachtscoring.com.
- 10.2 A Flag Race is planned for June 6th and August 29th, with flags to be presented at NSSC. Complimentary hot dogs will be provided.
- 10.3 Spring Series and Summer Series flags will be presented at the ABYRA Haul-Out Party.
- 10.4 Overall Series Flags will be presented at the ABYRA Haul-Out Party.



11. Disclaimer of Liability

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

12. Insurance

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13. Further Information

13.1 For additional information, please contact James Baker NSSC Race Chair at 586-246-4171 or nssc.race@gmail.com or Mike Bracket, AYC Race Chair at 586-342-8642 or gunsmoke9150@comcast.net.