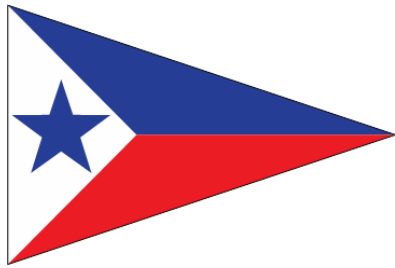


# POCO LOCO BAY RACE

**Saturday, September 23, 2023**

**Hosted By:**



## **Richmond County Yacht Club**

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[www.rcyachtclub.org](http://www.rcyachtclub.org)

## **Notice of Race**

Cherished friend and RCYC member Richard O'Connell passed away on March 3, 2001 at age 45 from complications of juvenile diabetes. He had contended with this debilitating disease since the age of five. The proceeds of this event will be donated in his memory to the Staten Island Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Richie was loved by many and was a unique person with many talents. He was an excellent sailor who always had time to teach another who wanted to learn. Perhaps his greatest gifts were his spirit for life and his sense of humor. Above all, he never allowed his disease to become an obstacle for living life abundantly. He always found a way to look forward and taught us all perspective.

The New York Bay Race, Richie's favorite race at RCYC, has been re-named the Poco Loco Bay Race in his honor. The Poco Loco Bay Race will be held on Saturday September 23, 2023. We will be joining local sailors as we hoist our sails in the Raritan Bay for a great cause.

Please join us in supporting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation so we can help others with a similar spirit.

### **1 Rules**

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing and the Poco Loco Bay Race Sailing Instructions.

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## 2 Eligibility and Entry

### 2.1 Eligibility

The regatta is open to all PHRF-MA members for the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions.

All PHRF-MA members must submit a current PHRF rating certificate when checking in or by emailing a digital copy to the Regatta Committee at Richmond County Yacht Club

### 2.2 Entry

Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry process on the Yacht Scoring website ( [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) ) and paying the entry fee by September 23, 2023.

Direct link: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16243>

## 3 Classes

There will be a Spinnaker Division (A), a Non-Spinnaker Division (B) Sub-Divisions will be created based on the number of applicants in the divisions.

## 4 Fees

The entry fee is for PHRF classes is \$120. The PHRF class entry fee includes two tickets to the post-Race Awards dinner and party. Additional tickets will be available on the Yacht Scoring website or from the regatta committee at check-in, for \$25.00 per person.

## 5 Qualifying Series – not applicable

## 6 Schedule

Saturday	September 23, 2023
Check-in	0900
Skippers Meeting	1000
Harbor Start	1100
First Warning	1200
Post-Race Party	1900

## 7 Measurements

The Assigned Rating will be determined as follows:

7.1 For boats with a valid PHRF-MA certificate the Assigned Rating will be the certified rating.

7.2 For boats in the cruising division without a valid PHRF-MA certificate, the Assigned Rating will be determined by the regatta committee.

The committee will review certificates received previously by the boat as well as published standard ratings.

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## 8 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions are available on the Yacht Scoring website at

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16243>

## 9 Venue

Richmond County Yacht Club, Raritan Bay, Lower New York Bay

## 10 Course **Start and Finish line are now at the RCYC Race Pin**

### THE COURSES

#### Division A (Spinnaker):

**Start: RCYC Race Pin. N 40°30.902' W 074° 08.397**

First Mark "A" will be an orange inflatable race mark

Approximately ½ nm from the start line (Round to Port)

Second Mark Old Orchard Shoal Lighthouse Island (Round to Port)

Third Mark: West Bank Lighthouse (Round to Port),

Fourth Mark: R"2"QR (To Port),

Fifth Mark: West Bank Lighthouse (Round to Starboard)

Sixth Mark : Old Orchard Lighthouse (Round to Starboard),

Seventh Mark: Mark "A" will be the orange inflatable race mark

Approximately ½ nm from the start (Round to Starboard)

Finish Between RCYC Race Pin and Committee Boat

Approximate Length: 20.74 nm

#### Division B (Non-Spinnaker):

**Start: Start: RCYC Race Pin N 40°30.902' W 074°08.397**

First Mark "A" will be an orange inflatable race mark

Approximately ½ nm from the start (Round to Port)

Second Mark Old Orchard Shoal Lighthouse Island (To Port),

Third Mark: West Bank Lighthouse (To Port)

Forth Mark: RB"10" Norton Point (To Port)

Fifth Mark: G "21" Ambrose Channel (to Port)

Sixth Mark: West Bank Lighthouse (To Starboard)

Seventh Mark Old Orchard Lighthouse (To Starboard)

Eighth Mark: Mark "A" will be the orange inflatable race mark

Approximately ½ nm from the start (Round to Starboard)

Finish Between RCYC Race Pin and Committee Boat

Approximate Length: 15.82 nm

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## 11 **Penalty System**

For all classes rule 44.1 is in effect

## 12 **Scoring**

The Low Point Scoring system of Appendix A4 of the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.

## 13 **Support Boats, 15-Berthing, 16-Haul-Out Restrictions, and 17-Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools - not applicable.**

## 14 **Radio Communications**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. The Race Committee will announce course changes on Channel 71. Boats are encouraged to monitor Channel 71 during the race and should advise the Race Committee on that channel if they drop out.

## 15 **Prizes**

Overall Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third Places in each sub-division.

## 16 **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 2021-2024 Rule 3, Decision to Race. Richmond County Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 17 **Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. It is the owner's or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is current and adequate before participating in this regatta.

## 18 **Further Information**

A post-race party and awards presentation will follow the race including:

- Awards
- Barbecue
- Beverages

Party Only Cost \$25.00 Total Per Head. PHRF Entry Fee includes 2 Party Tickets.

## 19 **Contacts for the Poco Loco Regatta**

[regatta@rcyachtclub.org](mailto:regatta@rcyachtclub.org)

Additional Tax Deductible Contributions to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation will be accepted cheerfully.

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Please make out a separate check payable directly to JDRF(Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) for donations.

For more information about the foundation, please visit: <http://www.jdrf.org>

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