The Anchorage Yacht Club

Presents

Saturday All or One Series

NOTICE OF RACE 2024

Featuring a "come as you are and race accordingly" spirit, exciting pursuit/reverse PHRF format, Yacht Scoring race management, and a scenic 10 nm course along Illinois Beach State Park. Spinnaker and jib and main ("JAM") divisions will compete; each division will include solo, doublehanded, and crewed sections. Yachts may move between sections from month to month.

1) ORGANIZING AUTHORITY & KEY DATES

- A) The Anchorage Yacht Club (AYC) is the Organizing Authority (OA) for the AYC All or One series.
- B) Race schedule
 - (1) The All or One series is a four race series. Races shall take place on Saturday, June 1st; Saturday, July 6th; Saturday, August 3rd; and Saturday, September 7th.
 - (2) Should any of the four races be canceled, then a makeup race shall be scheduled for Saturday, September 14th. Should two or more races be canceled, then Saturday, October 5th shall also be used for a makeup race.
 - (3) Starts will be in reverse Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF) format–a "pursuit start". Start times will be assigned at the skippers' meeting. Skippers' meetings shall begin at 0900 *each* race morning. Meetings shall take place on the Waukegan Port Authority patio at the Harbor Control Building in Waukegan Harbor unless otherwise announced.
- C) The race course will be east of Waukegan Harbor & Marina in the open waters of Lake Michigan, and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

2) RULES

- A) All races will be governed by the 2021-2024 World Sailing's <u>Racing Rules of Sailing</u> including US Sailing Prescriptions (RRS).
- B) The rules of the Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF) will apply except as altered by the following. A current MWPHRF certificate is recommended for all yachts, and can be obtained online at <u>Midwest PHRF</u>. MWPHRF handicaps are time on distance handicaps applied to determine winners of races. Yachts not having a current certificate will be assigned an average "book" rating less a six second penalty. There will be no retroactive favorable adjustment of this rating for races completed prior to submission of a valid MWPHRF certificate. Anchorage Yacht Club may from time to time apply certain modifications to MWPHRF, as determined by the Sail Racing Committee (SRC).
- C) All Coast Guard safety requirements must be met by each yacht. For all yachts, AYC recommends that a PFD be worn by each crew member.
- D) Each yacht must carry a VHF marine radio with at least channels 6, 16, 22, 69 and WX. Channel 69 will be used for required communication between competitors. All solo racers' radios must be accessible to racers while at the helm. This can be either an adaptation of the permanent radio, or a second radio such as a handheld.
- E) Additional safety requirements for solo and doublehand sailors
 - Each yacht must have a system for self-steering the yacht on a compass course or by apparent wind only, to exceed the capabilities of lashing or locking a wheel or tiller.
 - (2) Each crew member must wear a PFD while the yacht is away from the dock.
 - (3) Each yacht must have a system such as jacklines, running from near the cockpit to the foredeck, so that crew can move from the cockpit to the forestay without disconnecting the safety harness.
 - (4) On doublehanded yachts, each crewmember must have a safety harness properly fitted and worn at all times when not below decks. Any time a crewmember leaves the cockpit, they must be connected to a jackline. Solo racers must be hooked to a jackline at all times while above deck.

(5) Each yacht must have a system for reboarding in place at all times. This may include looped lines or a ladder.

3) ADVERTISING

- A) Any advertising proposed to be carried by a yacht must be described in the Entry Application. Advertising deemed by the Organizing Authority not to be compliant with World Sailing Regulations may be rejected.
- B) Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

4) ELIGIBILITY

- A) The owner and/or skipper in charge shall be a member of his or her national authority. The U.S. national authority is US Sailing. To join, call 1-800-877-2451 or go online to <u>www.ussailing.org</u>.
- B) Yacht owners/skippers are not required to be members of Anchorage Yacht Club to race. Registration must be complete (including all required documents), and entry fee(s) paid before yachts are eligible to participate. Payment of the entry fee is required before a boat will be scored in a race. Other boats may race at special invitation by the SRC chairman.
- C) The OA shall have full authority to determine the suitability of any boat for entry into any division, and may divide any division into sections at its discretion. All decisions by the AYC SRC shall be final.
- D) Insurance: Each boat shall have a minimum of \$500,000 boat liability insurance that is valid from before the start of the first race in the series until after the last race in the series.
- E) Correct sail numbers must be displayed on the mainsail, spinnakers, and all headsails larger than a working jib.
- F) Each boat shall carry enough fuel, water, and food to be self-sufficient for the duration of the course, as if cruising.
- G) Boats shall be of a seaworthy offshore-type construction.
- H) Racing will be offered in the following divisions:
 - (1) Spinnaker division with crewed, doublehanded, and solo sections
 - (2) Jib and Main ("JAM") division with crewed, doublehanded, and solo sections

5) ENTRY

- A) Sailing yachts may be entered by completing the registration, submitting the required documents, and paying the series racing entry fee. AYC now uses the online Yacht Scoring regatta management system. All registration steps shall be completed online at AYC's Yacht Scoring <u>Saturday All or One series website</u>.
- B) Entry Fees:
 - (1) \$55 for the series
 - (2) \$20 for one race, a la carte fee
- C) All series entries are due by Wednesday, May 29, 2024

6) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- A) Sailing Instructions will be available <u>online</u> on or before Wednesday, May 29, 2024.
- B) Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted <u>online</u>. It is the responsibility of

each competitor to check the Official Notice Board <u>online</u> for any amendments to the Sailing Instructions.

7) NOTICES AND CHANGES

- A) Notices to competitors (if any) will be posted <u>online</u> and/or announced on VHF channel 69 prior to the start of the race.
- B) Any change in the Sailing Instructions or Notice of Race will be posted <u>online</u> at least 24 hours before the day that they will take effect.

8) COMMUNICATIONS WHILE RACING

- A) RRS 41, OUTSIDE HELP, RRS 41(c) is changed to read as follows: Help in the form of information freely available to all boats and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors, whether on a subscription or free basis, is allowable.
- B) No boat shall operate or control a remotely controlled aircraft (i.e "drone") or other remotely controlled vehicle while racing.

9) SCORING

- A) The low point scoring system will be used. 1 point for first, 2 points for second, 3 points for third, etc. will be earned.
- B) RSS A5.3 shall apply with the following change: a boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.
- C) In the event of Disqualification (DSQ) from a given race, throwing that race out will be allowed or disallowed in accordance with RRS 63.1 and Appendix A5. A yacht that realizes she has infringed on a rule shall either retire promptly or accept an alternate penalty when so prescribed in the Sailing Instructions. A DSQ cannot be thrown out if it was the result of a collision which caused damage.
- D) One race will constitute a series.

10) PRIZES

- A) Overall division prizes will be awarded in each division.
- B) Section prizes will be awarded to boats within a division having more than one section.
- C) Prizes for division and sections will be awarded to boats per the table below:

Number of starters	Prizes awarded
2 or less	1 st
3	$1^{st}-2^{nd}$
4-14	1 st -3 rd
15+	1^{st} - 4^{th}

D) Awards dinner date ****TBA****

11) RISK AND LIABILITY

A) The Anchorage Yacht Club, its officers, directors, members, sponsors, agents, the Sail Racing Committee, Protest Committee, and any other committee of the Club shall not be liable for any injury or damage whatsoever to persons or property which may occur during or arise out of or in connection with any race.

- B) Based on any public health consideration, competitors agree to follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), State of Illinois, Waukegan Harbor & Marina, City of Waukegan, and the Anchorage Yacht Club's policies regarding coronavirus, COVID-19, that are in effect at the time of the event.
- E) Notice is hereby given to all participants including spectators, officials and others that they participate in this event solely at their own risk.

12) PRIVACY POLICY, COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA RIGHTS

As a condition to participating in the AYC Saturday All or One series, competitors shall agree to accept operational communications (voice, email, text, or other) from the Sail Racing Committee. Competitors shall agree to release, defend, and hold harmless the Anchorage Yacht Club and their agents, sponsors, and assigns, from and against any claims, damages or liability arising from or related to the use of the photographs and video footage. Competitors further agree to photography, which may be posted on the AYC website. Such photography shall not be used for commercial purposes.