# The "Viking-est" Off-Soundings Tune-Up!

Proceeds benefit Niantic Bay Sailing Academy

# Sunday - June 4th The Early Bird notice of race **Niantic Bay Yacht Club**

### **Practice Starts 9:30 – 10:30**

Optional pre-race practice with rolling starts.

# Racing begins at 11:00

Multiple races/class possible; for more practice and a chance to recover from a snafu!

Registration Deadline: Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1800 hrs.

Register On Line at: Or Contact John Bourget www.YachtScoring.com. Or link found at: www.NBYC.org email: JRBourget@aol.com cell: (860) 463-9772 Snailmail: 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001



- Ensign, J-24, Etchells, Sport (e.g. Melges) classes\*
- NoR on www.NBYC.org or www.YachtScoring.com \*Special classes will depend on number registered, so recruit your class competition!
- \$50 per entry (\$55 if not a USSailing member)
- **\$10 per party-ticket** (\$5 for those under age 21)
- Free regatta hat for Skippers. (Extras for sale)



- Special Awards\*
  - Youth crew
  - All-Female crew
  - Green skipper
  - Best Club
- "Thor's Hammer Award"
- "Valkyrie Award"
- "Njord Award"
- "Aegir Award"
- (all aboard are under age 30)
- (all aboard identify as female)
- (skippers without ECSA races 2006–2016)
- (best 3 boats from a Club)
- \*Awards are based on eligibility noted on registration, and points earned racing



## "Valhalla" Awards Party

- o "Berserker" akvavit cocktails, Wine and brand-name Beer
- Featured Microbrewer: Lake Pocotopaug Brewing
- Appetizers Viking-Style by Slipper Shell Galley
- Live Music by Ragnar's Revenge
- o Best-Costumed Awards for Man, Woman and Crew
- Bonfire, Viking Games and more! (maybe Swedish massages?)
- 50/50 Raffle to benefit NBSA

# Free Guest-Moorings...for two weeks!

Arrange a Bag Lunch for your crew. Email: SlippershellNBYC@aol.com

Easy transit to the Early Bird, and then to Off Soundings!

Email TomMcDonald01@aol.com to reserve for the week preceding and/or after Early Bird.



### Early Bird Notice of Race Niantic Bay Yacht Club Sunday, June 4, 2017

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. The Niantic Bay Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.
- 1.2 This event is an ECSA points regatta.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This event is open to all monohulls with a valid PHRF ECSA certificate on file at ECSA.net.
  - 2.2 Participants may register for spinnaker or for non-spinnaker classes and party tickets online at <a href="https://www.nbyc.org">www.nbyc.org</a>, open the NOR flyer and then follow link to register.
    - Or, Click here to register

Or, copy/paste the following URL into your browser:

http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4109.

- 2.3 Entry forms for snail mail are available on line on pg. 3 of the NOR and should be sent with payment to: John Bourget 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001
- 2.4 Entry Deadline is Friday, June 2rd at 1800.

#### 3. FEES

- 3.1 The Entry Fee is \$50 per boat for US Sailing members. \$55 for non-members.
  - 3.2 Party tickets are \$10 per ticket, or \$5 each for those under 21.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 First warning is scheduled at 1100 on Sunday, June 4, 2016.
  - 4.2 Sailing Instructions will be posted at www.nbyc.org by 1800 Wednesday May 31st, 2016.
  - 4.3 The unofficial Scratch Sheet will be actively building on line during registration and will be finalized by the Race Committee by 1800 on Saturday, June 3rd.
  - 4.3 Multiple races are planned for all classes, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

#### 5. MEASUREMENTS

5.1 The Race Committee will assign ratings and classes.

#### 6. VENUE

6.1 Racing will take place in Niantic Bay and Fisher's and Long Island Sounds.

#### 7. THE COURSES

7.1 Courses will be selected by the Race Committee based on weather conditions. The marks will be identified in the Sailing Instructions and will be a combination of government marks and drop marks.

#### 8. SCORING

- 8.1 Time-on-Time calculation will be used to score the PHRF classes.
- 8.2 There will be no throw-outs. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

#### 9. BERTHING

9.1 Free guest moorings are available at the Niantic Bay Yacht Club for the week preceding the Early Bird and/or afterwards until Off Soundings. For reservations, contact the club manager Tom McDonald at 860-739-0558.

#### 10. PRIZES AND "VALHALLA" PARTY

- 10.1 The top 3 finishers in each class will receive trophies at the Valhalla Awards Party following racing at Niantic Bay Yacht Club.
- 10.2 Special awards will be offered for best: **Youth Crew** (29 or younger), **All Female Crew**, **Green Skipper** (No ECSA races before 2014) and **Best Club** (Best 3 boats from same club).
- 10.2 "Berserker" cocktails, beer and wine, live music, games. Viking-style appetizers provided.

#### 11. CONTACT INFORMATION

- 11.1 Regatta Chairman: John Bourget jrbourget@aol.com or cell 860.463.9772.
  - 11.2 Stay connected with developments by visiting the Early Bird Events Page linked through <a href="https://www.nbyc.org">www.nbyc.org</a>

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