NYAC YACHT CLUB HENRY E. ABBOTT MEMORIAL DISTANCE RACE TO STRATFORD SHOAL

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH, 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

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- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at:

NYAC YC Dock House **Travers Island** 31 Shore Road Pelham Manor, NY 10803

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The race is open to boats holding current IRC certificates or current YRA of LIS PHRF certificates. Double-handed, and nonspinnaker classes will be established if five or more entries are received. Entering boats must hold a 2018 rating certificate, and the person in charge shall assure her rating on YachtScoring.com is valid at the time of entry.
- 2.2. Ratings must be verifiable on ircrating.org for IRC boats, and yralis.org for PHRF boats. For PHRF boats the rating shall be their distance race rating, and for double-handed PHRF boats the rating shall be from their double-handed certificate.
- 2.3. Boats without a current or valid certificate will race in the Club class. Boats in this class will be assigned a PHRF rating by the race committee, which rating will be valid for this race only. The Club class is non-spinnaker.
- 2.4. Eligible boats may enter by completing the Online Entry Form / Application at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4730 paying the required fee, by Thursday, May 17th 2018.
- 2.5. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions:
 - 2.5.1. The late entry fee of \$80 is paid prior to the skipper's meeting
 - 2.5.2. The yacht's rating is verifiable on the YRALIS website or a valid hardcopy certificate is delivered to the Race Committee before the skipper's meeting.
- 2.6. Equipment: Boats sailing the Stratford Shoal Light Course (see NoR #8) shall observe the Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of the YRALIS, Race Category B. Boats sailing the Cable & Anchor Course (see NoR #8) shall observe the Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of the YRALIS, Race Category C. All boats shall carry VHF radios capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel, 16, 13, 71, and 72.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Required fees are as follows:
 - 3.1.1. Online, on time, entry fee is \$60.00 for US Sailing members and \$70.00 for non US Sailing members. The "late entry fee" is \$80.00 regardless of affiliation. The "late entry fee" is an entry fee paid after Thursday, May 17th, 2018.
 - 3.1.2. The entry fee includes complimentary dock space for all competitors Friday & Saturday nights, Coffee & Donuts at the skipper's meeting Saturday morning, a light breakfast will be available all night (Saturday into Sunday) for late finishers, and Awards Presentation for skippers and crews featuring complimentary BBQ and beer.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Friday May, 18th 2018: Competitors, who have properly reserved complimentary dockage, may arrive for after 1400.
- 4.2. Saturday May 19th 2018
 - 4.2.1. 0900 Skipper's Meeting with complimentary coffee & donuts
 - 4.2.2. 1200 first warning signal
- 4.3. Sunday May 20th 2018
 - 4.3.1. 0700 1100 Complimentary coffee & donuts for all competitors and crews.
 - 4.3.2. 1200 Awards ceremony with complimentary BBQ & Beer for all competitors and crews.

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. Each boat shall produce a valid PHRF rating certificate if the boat's rating cannot be confirmed on the YRA LIS website.
- 5.2. All boats are expected to sail in compliance with their rating certificate.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1. The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on Tuesday May 15th 2018 at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=4730 and will be posted at the NYAC YC dock house message board.

7. VENUE

7.1. The race will be conducted on two separate courses each starting at Can 1 approximately ¾ of a mile due north of Execution Rock.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. Each Division shall be assigned to a course.
- 8.2. Course I, the Stratford Shoal Light Course, is 60.2 NMi.
- 8.3. Course II, the Cable and Anchor Course, is 32.0 NMi.

9. BERTHING

- 9.1. The New York Athletic Club is happy to offer complimentary dockage, at the NYAC YC marina, to all competitors. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Tim Kerns, Waterfront Manager. Contact details are listed below.
- 9.2. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are taking advantage of the complimentary dockage at the NYAC YC. [DP]

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1. Except in an emergency, or to report a protest or withdrawal, or as required by the Race Committee, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 10.2. Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels 16, 13, 71, and 72.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be to the top three finishers in each division.
- 11.2. Additional prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee,

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

- 12.1. By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by New York Athletic Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 "Decision to Race"; that the New York Athletic Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and sponsors will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the New York Athletic Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and/or sponsors, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other New York Athletic Club vessels, or patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.
- 12.2. The owner and person in charge of the boat warrants that they have taken all necessary steps to ensure that participants aboard and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
- 12.3. The owner and person in charge of the boat further agrees to be bound by all rules that govern this event.
- 12.4. The owner and person in charge of the boat agrees to inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing.

13. For further information please contact:

13.1. Race Committee

Wayne Gillikin

Email: wayne@proteusyachtservices Cell: 201-841-0657 Office: 973-633-6837

Paul Osmulskis

Email: <u>osmoarch@gmail.com</u> Cell: 914-629-7936 13.2. To reserve dockage

Tim Kerns

Email: <u>timothyk@nyac.org</u> Office: 914-738-2700 X-1262

13.3. By Mail

New York Athletic Club YC Travers Island 31 Shore Road Pelham Manor, NY 10803 ATTN: SSR Race Committee

13.4. To report a boat sailing out of compliance with its certificate, please email the YRA LIS Technical Committee at <u>techcomm@yraphrf.org</u>.