

# Your Off-Soundings "Odyssey" Tune-Up!

Proceeds benefit Niantic Bay Sailing Academy

Sunday - June 3<sup>rd</sup>

## *The Early Bird* Notice of Race

Niantic Bay Yacht Club

### Automatic Qualification for the new "**Pre-Soundings Cup**"

*The Early Bird* is the first of a two-race series culminating with Thames Yacht Club's Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Commodore's Cup Trophy Race.



**Racing begins at 1100 hrs.**

**Registration Deadline:** Friday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 1800 hrs.

NoR and On Line Registration:  
or Contact John Bourget:

[www.YachtScoring.com](http://www.YachtScoring.com)

Email: [JRBourget@aol.com](mailto:JRBourget@aol.com)

Snailmail: 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001

Or: [www.NBYC.org](http://www.NBYC.org)

Cell: (860) 463-9772

- **PHRF Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker classes**
- **Ensign, J-24, Etchells, Sport** (e.g. Melges) **classes\***
  - \*Special classes will depend on number registered, so recruit your class competition!
- **\$50/entry\*** (\$55 if not a USSailing member)
  - \* **Entry fee waived for any skipper sponsoring a new guest entry**  
(New Guest = Not a member of NBYC and did not race last year)
- **\$10/party-ticket** (\$5 for those under age 21)
- **Special Awards\***
  - **Youth crew** - "**Telemachus**" Award (all aboard are under age 30)
  - **Green skipper** - "**Xenos**" Award (skippers without ECSA races 2007-2017)

\*Awards are based on eligibility noted on registration, and points earned racing



## "Sirens' Temptation" Awards Party "...among the best parties on the circuit!"



**"Trojan Horse" cocktails, Wine and brand-name Beer**  
**Featured Microbrewer**  
**Appetizers Homer-Style** by Slipper Shell Galley  
**Live Music** by "Achilles' Heel"  
**Best-Costumed Awards** for Man, Woman and Crew  
**Bonfire, beach games and more!**  
**50/50 Raffle** to benefit NBSA

### **Free Guest-Moorings...for up to two weeks!**

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

Email [JRBourget@aol.com](mailto:JRBourget@aol.com) to reserve for the week preceding and/or after The Early Bird.

**Bag Lunch for your crew?**  
Email: [SlippershellNBYC@aol.com](mailto:SlippershellNBYC@aol.com)



**NIANTIC BAY YACHT CLUB**

8 SHORE ROAD, NIANTIC, CT 860.739.0558 EST. 1940

**Early Bird Notice of Race  
Niantic Bay Yacht Club  
Sunday, June 3, 2018**



**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. Members' results will be forwarded to ECSA.
- 1.3 This event is a Pre-Soundings Cup points regatta.  
Qualification requires finishing both the Early Bird and Thames Yacht Club's Commodore's Trophy race.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 ECSA Membership is not required
- 2.2 This event is open to all monohulls and to Ensign and Atlantic class boats.  
Other boats/classes will be considered.  
ECSA Members must have a valid ECSA/PHRF certificate on file at ECSA.net.
- 2.3 Participants may register for classes and party tickets online at [www.nbyc.org](http://www.nbyc.org), open the NOR flyer and then follow link to register.  
Or, [Click here to register on YachtScoring.com](http://Click here to register on YachtScoring.com)  
Or; copy/paste the following URL into your browser:  
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4846>.
- 2.4 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
- 2.5 Entry Deadline is Friday, June 1st at 1800.

**3. FEES**

- 3.1 The Entry Fee is \$55 per boat. Or save \$5 if you're a US Sailing members and pay just \$50.
- 3.2 Entry fee can be waived for skippers sponsoring a "new guest." Inquire for eligibility.  
Note: A "new guest" did not race last year and is not a NBYC member.
- 3.3 Party tickets are \$10 each, or \$5 each for those under 21.

**4. SCHEDULE**

- 4.1 First warning is scheduled at 1100 on Sunday, June 3, 2016.
- 4.2 Sailing Instructions will be posted at [www.nbyc.org](http://www.nbyc.org) by 1800 Wednesday May 28th, 2016.
- 4.3 The unofficial Scratch Sheet will be actively building on line at Yachtscoring.com and will be finalized by the Race Committee by 1800 on Saturday, June 3rd.
- 4.3 Multiple races are possible for any class, 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 at 860-739-0558

**10. PRIZES AND "SIREN'S TEMPTATION" PARTY**

- 10.1 The top 3 finishers in each class will receive trophies at the Awards Party following racing at Niantic Bay Yacht Club.
- 10.2 The top finisher in each of the following categories will receive a trophy at the Awards Party  
Youth Crew (all aboard age 29 or younger) and  
Green Skipper (No ECSA races 2007-2017).
- 10.2 "Trojan Horse" rum cocktails, beer, wine, live music by "Achilles' Heel", games, odyssey-style appetizers, awards for best odyssey costumes, bonfire on the beach.

**11. CONTACT INFORMATION**

- 11.1 Regatta Chairman: John Bourget [jrbourget@aol.com](mailto:jrbourget@aol.com) or cell (860) 463-9772.
- 11.2 Stay connected with developments by visiting [www.nbyc.org](http://www.nbyc.org)