



NEW YORK YACHT CLUB 157th ANNUAL CRUISE

August 16-24, 2013

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club (NYYC). The Annual Cruise website is on the member side of the NYYC website at <http://nyyc.org/yachting-member/racing-member/157th-annual-cruise>.

1 RULES & CLASSES

- 1.1 The Annual Cruise will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. In addition, the NYYC Bylaws, Yacht Routine and Racing Rules will apply.
- 1.2 **Predicted Log** – All motor yachts are eligible to participate in one or more Predicted Log Runs. It is the intention of the Race Committee to conduct a predicted log run for each squadron run. All motor yachts registered for the Cruise are welcome and encouraged to participate in these fun events. Prizes will be awarded for each run. An on-board observer (can be a spouse) must accurately record the time the yacht passes abeam of each mark of the course (the captain having reference only to compass, chart, tachometer and depth finder, and no other “toys” and submit the times to the designated Race Committee member at the end of the day. Details can be found in *Notice of Race Addendum 4 – Predicted Log Contests*.
- 1.3 **Cruising Rule** - The 2013 NYYC Cruising Rule (NYYC CR) shall apply to yachts racing under NYYC CR. More information can be found at <http://nyyc.org/yachting-member/handicap-rules>. The following requirements of the 2013 NYYC CR should be noted:
 - a) The NYYC CR is a simple rating rule for **cruising yachts** characterized by *vintage design* or a *substantial bias toward cruising*. The Technical Committee has established screening values of sail-area-to-displacement and displacement-length ratios that assist in determining whether a yacht is eligible for the Cruising Rule. If a yacht is considered to be more racing-oriented than intended for the Cruising Rule, it may be requested to consider entering the IRC non-spinnaker division.
 - b) Only one sail may be flown forward of the foremost mast at any time and the luff of that sail shall be affixed to a stay, except that yachts with bona fide double headsail rigs may carry a staysail attached to the inner forestay. If changing headsails, it is required to drop one headsail before setting the new headsail.
 - c) A yacht shall not use any sail, including a mizzen staysail, which would qualify as a spinnaker in accordance with the description in rule 50.4 as changed by the Class Rules (the mid-width of a headsail shall not be greater than 50% of the foot width). No mizzen staysails are permitted on yawls, but they are permitted on ketches.
 - d) Crew must be stationed fully inside the lifelines except as required for sail handling.
 - e) The NYYC CR rule “Crew is limited to the number of berths” is changed to “The number of crew age 16 or older is limited to the number of berths. Children under age 16 do not count against the crew limit.”
- 1.4 **IRC Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker** - The 2013 IRC Rules and Regulations shall apply to yachts racing under IRC and IRC non-spinnaker. More information can be found at: <http://nyyc.org/yachting-member/handicap-rules>.

- a. **IRC Spinnaker Class** – The weight limit for all crew members is the crew number printed on the IRC certificate x 85 kg. There will not be a weigh-in. Children under age 16 do not count against the weight limit. This changes IRC Rule 22.4.
- b. **IRC non-spinnaker Class** – The following changes shall apply to yachts competing in IRC non-spinnaker classes:
 - i. IRC Rule 22.4 is changed to limit the crew number to the number of berths. Children under age 16 do not count against the crew limit. There is no weight limit.
 - ii. Only one sail may be flown forward of the foremost mast at any time and the luff of that sail shall be affixed to a stay, except that yachts with bona fide double headsail rigs may carry a staysail attached to the inner forestay.
 - iii. A yacht shall not use any sail, including a mizzen staysail, which would qualify as a spinnaker in accordance with the description in rule 50.4.
 - iv. No spinnaker pole or outrigger shall be carried to leeward.
- 1.5 **Classics:** If there is a designated Classics division, they will be scored using the CRF rating system. *Notice of Race Addendum 2 – NYYC Classics Rules* shall apply. More information can be found at <http://nyyc.org/yachting-member/handicap-rules>.
- 1.6 **Winches:** Except as noted in Notice of Race Addendum 2 for the Classics division, yachts in non-spinnaker divisions will be permitted to use electric and hydraulic winches. This changes rule 52.
- 1.7 **Offshore Special Regulations:** The 2012-2013 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR), Category 4, shall apply including prescriptions of US SAILING except as noted in NOR 1.8 and 1.10 below. See *Notice of Race Addendum 3 – Offshore Special Regulations – Category 4*.
- 1.8 A yacht that is not normally rigged with lifelines that comply with OSR 3.14 shall only be permitted to compete with the permission of the Commodore and the Race Committee. In addition, all crew members shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while on deck.
- 1.9 Advertising will be restricted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 1.10 Identification numbers must be clearly visible on either the mainsail, overlapping headsail, or on a special weather cloth attached to the lifelines. These numbers must be registered with the Race Committee by the entry deadline. This changes rule 77 and Appendix G.
- 1.11 A yacht's name shall be clearly marked on miscellaneous buoyant equipment, such as lifejackets, cushions, lifebuoys, life slings, grab bags, etc.
- 1.12 **Sail Inventory:** Yachts shall race each Squadron Run with the same sail inventory on board. Removal or addition of sails may only be made with the permission of the Race Committee.
- 1.13 **Queen's Cup Conditions:** Special conditions apply for the Queen's Cup. See *Notice of Race Addendum 1 – Conditions for the Queen's Cup*.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Yachts shall be enrolled yachts in accordance with NYYC By-Law Chapter XIII Section 1 or be determined to be eligible by the Commodore.
- 2.2 While racing, a New York Yacht Club member must be on board all yachts except those invited by the Commodore.
- 2.3 Paid hands may not be at the helm of a yacht at any time while racing unless specific permission is received through the Race Committee.
- 2.4 Entry shall be made online on the regatta website. The entry deadline is Tuesday, July 24.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee for a racing yacht is \$900. This includes one tender.
- 3.2 The entry fee for a motor yacht or a non-racing yacht is \$650.
- 3.3 The entry fee for the Queen's Cup Race Day only is \$100.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 **Registration** – Yachts will rendezvous in Rockland, Maine. Registration will be open at Journey’s End Marina from 1400-1800 on Friday, August 16. Cruise Books, class assignments, scratch sheets and social tickets will be distributed at registration. Yachts joining the Cruise after August 16 shall register with the Race Committee aboard the signal boat *Georgiana*.

4.2 **Captains’ Meeting** - A Captains’ meeting will be held at 1800 on Friday, August 16 at Journey’s End Marina in Rockland, Maine. Attendance is limited to the captain or designee, plus one crewmember.

4.3 Daily Schedule

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time/Event</u>	<u>Event location</u>
Fri	Aug 16	1400-1800 - Registration 1800 - Captains’ Meeting 1830 - Opening Reception	Journey’s End Marina Journey’s End Marina Journey’s End Marina
Sat	Aug 17	Queen’s Cup Race Day Non-spinnaker classes Queen’s Cup and other spinnaker classes	Rockland – Seal Bay/Winter Hbr Penobscot Bay
Sun	Aug 18	Squadron Run #1 Racing for the Commodore’s Trophies	Seal Bay/Winter Hbr – Burnt Coat Hbr
Mon	Aug 19	Squadron Run #2 Racing for the Vice Commodore’s Trophies Flag Officers’ Cocktail Party & BBQ	Burnt Coat Hbr – Somes Sound
Tue	Aug 20	Squadron Run #3 Racing for the Rear Commodore’s Trophies	Somes Sound – Bar Harbor
Wed	Aug 21	0800 - Lay day in Bar Harbor – Dress Ship	Bar Harbor
Thu	Aug 22	Squadron Run #4 Racing for the NYYC Race Committee Trophies 1800 - Annual Cruise Final Social Event	Bar Harbor – Herrick Bay Atlantic Boat Company
Fri	Aug 23	Squadron Run #5 Racing for the U.S. Navy Challenge Cups	Herrick Bay – Orcutt/Bucks Hbr
Sat	Aug 24	Astor Cup Race Day	Orcutt/Bucks Hbr to Rockland

4.4 The times for the first warning signal on each day of racing will be described in the sailing instructions.

4.5 If conditions do not allow the race for the Queen’s, Una and Corsair Cups to be held as scheduled on Saturday, August 17, the alternate day for the race will be Saturday, August 24. Should this be necessary, the race for the Astor Cup scheduled for Saturday, August 24 would then be cancelled.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Each yacht shall provide a valid 2013 rating certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office no later than Friday, August 9.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted on the Annual Cruise website. Copies will be available at registration.

7 COURSES

Courses will be described in the sailing instructions. Drop mark races may be used on Queen’s Cup Race Day and Astor Cup Race Day.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty will be two places.

8.2 A yacht that has taken a penalty shall complete a penalty acknowledgement form (a copy is provided in the Cruise packet) and file it with the Race Committee not later than 2000 on the day of the incident.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Appendix A, Low Point System, will be used.
- 9.2 Yachts that start, but fail to finish within the time limit for any reason shall, without a hearing, be scored by the Race Committee with points equal to the number of yachts in her class that have sailed the course and finished within the time limit, plus two. In no case shall a yacht receive a score worse than one point more than the number of starters in her class on that day. This changes rules A4.1, A4.2 and A5.
- 9.3 Five Squadron Runs are scheduled and form a series. A yacht's series score will be the total of all her race scores in the Squadron Runs. There is no discard. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.4 Races run on Queen's Cup Race Day (Saturday, August 4) and Astor Cup Race Day (Saturday, August 11) will each be scored separately and will not count toward the Squadron Run series.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded as described below:
 - a. Queen's Cup Race Day:
 - i. The Queen's, Una, Corsair and Dickerson Cups will be awarded to the winning yachts in their respective class, as appropriate.
 - ii. A first place trophy will awarded to the winning yacht in non-Cup classes if two or more yachts start in a class.
 - b. Astor Cup Race Day:
 - i. The Astor Cup will be awarded to the winning yacht in IRC Class I.
 - ii. A first place trophy will awarded to the winning yacht in non-Cup classes if two or more yachts start in a class.
 - c. Points Trophies - Overall Points Trophies, commensurate with the number of points earned, will be awarded to each yacht earning points during the Cruise.
 - i. Yachts finishing first in a class in a Squadron Run will earn four points;
 - ii. Yachts finishing second in a class in a Squadron Run or on a Cup Day will earn two points;
 - iii. Yachts finishing third in a class in a Squadron Run or on a Cup Day will earn one point.
- 10.2 All prizes, cups and trophies will be awarded at the Annual Awards Dinner in New York on Thursday, November 14, 2013, to which all members and their guests are invited.
- 10.3 The Herreshoff Medal will be awarded to the yacht which makes the best overall performance in the season's races which may include results on the 157th Annual Cruise including the Queen's Cup, Astor Cup, and Squadron Runs.
- 10.4 The CYGNET CUP may be awarded to the enrolled yacht, which in the opinion of the Race Committee makes an outstanding performance during the Cruise, including the Squadron Runs and Cup Races.
- 10.5 The CRUISING RULE CUP may be awarded at the discretion of the Flag Officers to a yacht in the New York Yacht Club Cruising Rule division, owned and sailed by a NYYC member, which best exemplifies the traditions of yachting by her upkeep and appearance and performs admirably on the Cruise.
- 10.6 The EDWARD WELCH CLUCAS MEMORIAL TROPHY will be awarded to the yacht having the fastest elapsed time on the longest run of the Cruise.
- 10.7 Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 10.8 The following Cups and Trophies may be awarded to the yachts with the best cumulative scores in their class for the Squadron Runs series:
 - a) Royal Yacht Squadron Cup
 - b) H. Irving Pratt Memorial Trophy
 - c) Cumberland Cup

- d) Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Bowl
- e) Navy Members Cup
- f) Venona Cup 1913
- g) Royal Bermuda Yacht Club Trophy
- h) Royal Perth Yacht Club Trophy
- i) Titania Cup
- j) Venona Cup 1912
- k) Commodore's Cup
- l) Reliance Cup

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 11.1 Crew Waiver Form - As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver/media release prior to racing. A parent or guardian must sign for a child under age 18. The form can be found on the Annual Cruise website.
- 11.2 Competitors and guests participate in the Annual Cruise entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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. Attention is also drawn to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02, Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Annual Cruise website or contact the Sailing Office at:

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