



MEABURYWOOD CHALLENGE

for the

CLARE NORRIS MEMORIAL TROPHY

Saturday, September 7, 2019

Thornbury, Ontario

Hosted by Reef Boat Club

(Organizing Authority)

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Sail Canada Prescriptions, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Rule(s) of the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) shall apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence. If there is a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The race is open to boats from Collingwood Yacht Club (CYC), Thornbury Yacht Club (TYC) and Reef Boat Club (RBC).
- 2.2 Eligible boat owners may enter by advising your fleet captain or the undersigned via e-mail of your intention to race. Please advise the following information

Boat owner

Boat name, make, draft, OAL, and beam

FS or NFS

PHRF # for above selection

Club represented

Will you require a mooring? Fri and/or Sat. nights

Send to *BluenoseB229@gmail.com*

3 FEES

- 3.1 RBC will charge no entry fee for this event. We will order pizza for those wishing same at a charge of \$5/person collected at the skippers meeting. RBC will provide soft drinks and dessert.

Boats staying overnight at Thornbury Harbour may be charged dockage, however the expectation is that fees will be waived as in the past.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Skipper's Meeting: **1200 hrs** Saturday September 7, 2019, TYC Pavilion
- 4.2 First Start Warning: **1330 hrs** Saturday September 7, 2019 or later at the Race Committee's discretion.
- 4.3 BBQ and Awards: **1800 hrs** Saturday September 7, 2019, TYC Pavilion

5 PHRF-LO HANDICAPS

- 5.1 All boats shall have a valid current PHRF-LO certificate.
- 5.2 If a boat does not have a valid PHRF-LO certificate, the boat's club handicapper shall assign a provisional ASP and Time-on-Time correction factor for the race.
- 5.3 To avoid delaying results, competitors without valid PHRF-LO certificates or acceptable provisional handicaps from their own club handicapper shall request a provisional handicap from the host club handicapper before race day.

6 CLASSES & STARTS

- 6.1 Tentative classes & starts will be as follows:
FS Low PHRF, FS High PHRF, NFS Low PHRF, NFS High PHRF.
- 6.2 The actual number of classes and starts and the handicap split between low and high PHRF will be determined after all entries have been received and all handicaps have been determined.
- 6.3 Clubs are encouraged to enter boats in all classes.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) will be emailed to each club prior to August 31, 2019 for forwarding to its individual members.

8 VENUES

- 8.1 Racing will be offshore from Thornbury Harbour. See Sailing Instructions for details.
- 8.2 BBQ and Presentations will be at the Thornbury Yacht Club Pavilion.

9 COURSE

- 9.1 The race course to be sailed will be described in general at the Skipper's Meeting but may be revised on the water at the discretion of the Race Committee
- 9.2 The Course will be approximately 10 NM at the Race Committee's discretion.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 The Race Committee shall use VHF channel 12 to communicate with the racing fleet.

11 PRIZE

- 11.1 The Clare Norris Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the club with the lowest aggregate point score for its best five (5) finishes.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 Skippers or skipper's representatives shall register their boats for the race at or before the pre-race skippers meeting.
- 14.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 14.3 Every boat shall carry at least the minimum safety equipment as described in the Canadian Coast Guard's Safe Boating Guide. The appropriate equipment shall be on board, in working order, and ready to use at all times.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION, HANDICAPPING & REGISTRATION

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