

**CONANICUT YACHT CLUB
AROUND-THE-ISLAND-RACE
SUNDAY, August 31, 2008**

You are cordially invited to compete in the Conanicut Yacht Club's annual Around-the-Island Race as well as an informal barbecue and awards ceremony, which will take place at the Conanicut Yacht Club, commencing at 1800 hours, following the Race. The barbecue and refreshments will be available at reasonable prices. Yachts which are entered in the Museum of Yachting's Classic Regatta are invited to participate in the Around-the-Island Race.

NOTICE AND CONDITIONS OF THE RACE

- 1) **MANAGEMENT:** The Around-the-Island Race will be conducted by the Conanicut Yacht Club's Race Committee, which will have the authority to reject an entry before each race starts; interpret the rules and conditions of the race; and decide any protest. The fleet shall be divided into handicap and one design classes according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the committee, except for classic yachts entered by the Museum of Yachting. Those yachts will be provided starts commencing approximately fifteen minutes after the rest of the fleet has started. Classic yachts will have their own classes determined by Museum of Yachting and starts will be at 10 minute intervals. Party and awards ceremony for these contestants will take place at the Museum of Yachting after the race.

- 2) **ELIGIBILITY:** The Race is open to mono hull sailing yachts 22' to 80':
 - a) Cruising/Racing yachts with a valid 2007 PHRF of Narragansett Bay. A copy of the 2007 certificate must be submitted with the entry form.
 - b) One-Design class with five or more entries will be given a start.
 - c) Entry fee for PHRF Rated Yachts, One-Design and Classic Yachts shall be \$40.00, if received complete prior to 1800 hours on August 15, 2008.
 - d) Entries received **after** 1800 hours **on August 15, 2008** will be **\$55.00. No entries will be accepted after Thursday, August 28, 2008.**

- 3) **Rules:**
 - a) The rules governing the race will be the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing and US Sailing Prescriptions.
 - b) This Race Notice.
 - c) The Sailing Instructions, including amendments, which take precedence in case of conflict.
 - d) The Race is designated Category A.

- 4) **CLASSES:**
 - a) PHRF Rated Yachts will be divided into classes dependent on handicap and at the discretion of the Race Committee. Spinnaker and non-spinnaker handicapped yachts will have their own classes.

 - b) Scratch sheets will be published and available at the Club by 1800 hours Friday, August 29, 2008 and at the starting area on the day of the race. (Also on the internet at www.conanicutyachtclub.org). **No entries will be accepted after 1800 hours, August 28, 2008.**

- 5) **Prizes will be awarded as follows:**
 - a) 5 or more entries in a class – 1st place
 - b) 8 or more entries in a class – 2 places
 - c) 10 or more places in a class – 3 places

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) **STARTING AND FINISH LINE:** Will be southeast of the Conanicut Yacht Club. The Starting Line will be between an orange flag displayed on the staff on the Committee Boat and a yellow buoy. The Starting Area will extend 100 yards perpendicularly from both sides of the Starting Line and radially from its ends. Yachts may only enter this area after their Warning Signal.
- 2) **CHECK-IN:** All yachts should check in with the Race Committee prior to the Warning Signal, providing their yacht's sail number and class, via **VHF Channel 78**.
- 3) **COURSE SIGNALS:** The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat.

Sample course board:

A-D	E-I
O	P

- 4) **SPECIAL COURSE INSTRUCTION-ALL CLASSES:**
 - a) The Newport to Jamestown Bridge shall be passed under one of the three center spans of the suspension section of the bridge. No yacht shall sail between Rose Island and the Newport Bridge.
 - b) The Jamestown to North Kingstown Bridge shall pass through the center span.
 - c) Shortening the Course: In addition to shortening at turning marks, the Race Committee may shorten the Course at the Jamestown to North Kingstown Bridge. In this case the Finish shall be between the anchored Committee Boat and the nearby Eastern center span support of the Bridge.
- 5) **COURSES:**
 - a) **Course "O"** Starting from North to South from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Starboard; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can "5," NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can "3," NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard and then to Finish Line. Distance 18.1 miles.
 - b) **Course "X"** Starting from South to North, from the Starting Line Can "3," NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to Can "5," NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Port; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. Distance 18.1 miles.
 - c) **Course "Z"** Starting from South to North, from the Starting Line to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Starboard; then to FL R 4 sec. Bell R "14," Bishop Rock, leave to Starboard; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Starboard and then to Finish Line. Distance is 12.0 miles.

- d) **Course “P”** Starting from North to South , from Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell “11,” the Dumplings, leave to Port; then to FL G 4 sec. Bell R “14,” Bishop Rock, leave to Port; then to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. Distance 12.0 miles.
- e) **Course “T”** Starting from North to South, from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell “11,” the Dumplings, leave to Starboard; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can C-1 Northeast of Hope and Despair Islands leaving all to Starboard and then finish line. **Distance 21.5 miles.**
- f) **Course “U”** Starting from South to North to Can C-1 Northeast of Hope and Despair Island leaving it and both Islands to Port, then to GR Bell Southwest of Beavertail, leave to Port; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell “11,” the Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. **Distance 21.5 miles.**

- 6) **STARTING SEQUENCE:**
The Starting Sequence will begin with the smaller/slower boats and ascend to the larger/faster boats.

Class A Warning Signal will be at approximately 1055.

NOTE: The starting sequence as per RRS-26 5-minute sequence. Times shall be taken by visual signals – NOT sound signals. The only change from one class to the next shall be the warning class-signal flag, i.e. A, B, C, D, etc. until all classes have started.

<u>MINUTES TO START</u>	<u>SIGNAL</u>	(EXAMPLE)	<u>FLAG & SOUND</u>
	Warning		“A” Flag, 1 sound signal
5	Preparatory		“P” Flag, 1 sound signal
4	One Minute		“P” Flag Down, 1 sound signal
1	Start		“A” Flag Down, 1 sound signal
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Classic Yacht starts will commence approximately fifteen minutes after the rest of the fleet has started. The sequence for the classics will be class 1, 2, 3, etc. and the only change in signal will be the class flags.

EXAMPLE)	<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>FLAG & SOUND</u>	<u>MINUTES TO START</u>
	Warning	“1” Flag, 1 sound signal	10
	Preparatory	“P” Flag, 1 sound signal	5
	One Minute	“P” Flag Down	1
	Start	“1” Flag Down, 1 sound signal	0

The Warning Signal for each succeeding class shall be APPROXIMATELY ONE MINUTE after the start signal of the proceeding class. THIS TIME IS ONLY APPROXIMATE; THEREFORE EACH STARTING SEQUENCE SHOULD BE TIMED INDEPENDENTLY.

- 7) **POSTPONEMENT:** AP Answering Pennant and two signals. Race Committee will attempt to announce all signals on Channel 78.
- 8) **INDIVIDUAL RECALL:** Code Flag X and one sound signal. The Committee shall attempt to notify each yacht recalled by hailing its sail number, but it is the responsibility of each yacht to start correctly.

- 9) **GENERAL RECALL:** First Repeater and two sound signals. ONE minute after the First Repeater is lowered, a new Warning Signal will resume the interrupted sequence of Starting Signals. The class recalled will be the next to start.
- 10) **TIME LIMIT:** The time limit for this race will be 1700 hours. One yacht of a class finishing within the time limit will constitute a Race for that class. However, yachts finishing more than one hour after the time limit will be scored DNF (did not finish).
- 11) **CANCELLATION:** Code Flag N OVER First Substitute and three sound signals.
- 12) **PROTEST:**
- a) Protesting yachts shall conform with the racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 Rule 61 (Protest Requirements).
 - b) A protesting yacht shall conspicuously display Code Flag Bravo FROM ITS BACKSTAY, immediately following incident and until she is finished or retired.
 - c) Protesting yachts shall immediately notify the protested yacht of its intent to protest.
 - d) Protesting yachts must notify the Race Committee of the intent to protest immediately after finishing, without interfering with other finishing yachts.
 - e) Protesting yachts shall file a protest on a US Sailing Form with the Protest Committee at the Conanicut Yacht Club within two (2) hours of finishing or by 1700 hours on August 31, 2008, whichever is earlier.

All protests filed in a timely fashion will be heard at 1800 hours or immediately following filing, whichever is earlier. All individuals involved in protests shall be at the Conanicut Yacht Club at hearing time. **However, protests in the Classic Yacht Division will be filed and heard at the Museum of Yachting.**