

Notice of Race

BHYC and SYC Around Southport Race

10 July 2011

General Information and Eligibility

The **Southport Yacht Club** and the **Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club** invite sailors to participate in the **Around Southport Race**.

Courses

The racing will take place in the **waters of the Sheepscot River and Boothbay Harbor** to the West and East respectively of Southport Island.

Racing will be based in the **reverse handicap, pursuit race, format**.

Racing will start in **Ebenecook Harbor** near the "Ink Bottle" Fl G 4s just east of Boston Island, go into the Sheepscot River keeping Cat Ledges R"4 CL" GONG to port, Cuckolds G BELL "1C", to port, Squirrel R "4" Fl R 2.5s to starboard, and finish in **Boothbay Harbor** at Tumbler Island R"8" Fl R 4s. The course will be **9.55** nm in length.

Rules, Eligibility, Handicapping, and Starting Sequence

This regatta will be governed by the 2009-2012 *Racing Rules of Sailing*, *US Sailing Prescriptions*, and the *Association/Measurement Regulations of each one-design class*, except as altered by the *Sailing Instructions*.

The regatta will be open to monohull yachts with **valid 2011 PHRF-NE handicap certificates or boats that comply with base handicaps as defined and listed at www.phrfne.org**. Boats with base **PHRF-NE handicaps < 90** may not be entered.

All yachts must meet *Category 5 (Appendix J) of the ISAF OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS*.

All yachts should carry a functioning **VHF radio**. The Race Committee will make every attempt to hail competitors verbally and on VHF. It is the **responsibility of competitors** to comply with instructions from the signal boat.

On race day, the **Race Committee will use Channel 72 to contact racers**.

RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4 states, "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

The **BHYC and SYC shall not be liable** for any damage to property or injury to persons in any way resulting from or connected with the **2011 Around Southport Race**.

Boats shall not willingly and knowingly discard trash. **RRS Appendix A5** applies.

Sailing Instructions and **starting sequence** will be posted on-line at www.bhyc.net and www.southportyachtclub.org no later than **0900, Sunday, 10 July 2011**.

Schedule

Sunday 10 July 2011

Yachts will gather in Ebenecook Harbor not later than 1050. There will be **no skippers meeting**. Any announcements and instructions not shown in the NOR or Sailing Instructions will be made by the **signal boat between 1050 and 1100**.

Warning Signal	1105
First Start	1110
Festivities and Awards BHYC	1700

Scoring

The low point scoring system *Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix A4.1* will be used. Ties will be broken in strict accordance to RRS appendix A8.

Auxiliary Motors and Club Tows

Yachts that will not carry auxiliary motors, **as allowed by one design class rules**, should contact BHYC for tows to the starting area in Ebenecook Harbor. SYC will provide needed tows from Cosy Harbor to Ebenecook Harbor and from the the finish area off Tumbler Island back to Cosy Harbor.

It is the **responsibility of skippers** to know class rules regarding auxiliary motors.

Prizes

In accordance with BHYC tradition, an **inscribed trash can** will be awarded to, and held for one year by, the **club** of which the **winning skipper** is a member.

Entry and Sailing Instructions

The **entry form** for this race can be found at www.BHYC.net or www.southportyachtclub.org and at the race committee bulletin boards at BHYC and SYC. Questions can be directed to Nancy Custer Carroll at tuiga.d3@gmail.com or Bill Hunt at sail.j80@gmail.com.
