

## **On Deck Wednesday Night Series**

July 23-Oct 14, 20

Thunder Bay Yacht Club

Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

*The organizing authority (OA) is the Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC).*

*The notation [DP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

*The notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that breaches in this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).*

#### **1 RULES**

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.

1.2 Each boat shall comply with all Transport Canada and other applicable laws, rules, and regulations. [DP]

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Official notices, including changes to this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on the TBYC website ([www.tbyc.on.ca](http://www.tbyc.on.ca)) no later than 8 pm on the day before the notices takes effect.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

3.1 To be eligible to race a boat shall enter the TBYC race program by submitting a completed TBYC Race Entry and Waiver Form, required fee, an LMPHRF certificate (preferred) or TBYC Rating Application Form, and proof of valid third-party liability insurance (minimum \$1,000,000 coverage). Forms are available at the TBYC website ([www.tbyc.on.ca](http://www.tbyc.on.ca)). The 2018 registration form may be used.

3.2 To be eligible to race a boat shall be owned by a TBYC Full Member (including Co-owner Member) or Racing Member in good standing; and except for boats racing under NoR 3.3, a Full, Co-owner, Racing, or Associate member shall be aboard while it is racing.

3.3 A boat that is owned by a member of a recognized yacht club may be entered in a single race by submitting a completed TBYC Race Entry and Waiver Form, required fee (C\$40.00), an LMPHRF certificate (preferred) or TBYC Rating Application Form, and proof of valid third-party liability insurance (minimum \$1,000,000 coverage). Forms are available at the TBYC website ([www.tbyc.on.ca](http://www.tbyc.on.ca)). The owner must be aboard while it is racing.

3.4 Prior to racing the Race Committee will assign competing boats to a division by grouping boats of similar ratings with consideration for the total number of boats registered to race.

3.5 A boat will not be scored if its entry documents and fee have not been received by TBYC prior to racing.

## 5 SCHEDULE (all dates refer to 2019)

5.1 Dates of racing: each Wednesday July 23 to October 9 except for Race #10

5.2 Number of races: 13

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each Wednesday is 6:15 pm.

5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each Wednesday from September 18 to October 9 is 6:00 pm.

5.5 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.

## 6 INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

A boat and its equipment may be inspected and/or measured at any time for compliance with the rules, applicable laws, safety regulations, and the PHRF rating system.

## 7 RATINGS

7.1 Ratings will be assigned by the TBYC Rating Committee.

7.2 A boat shall provide a valid LMPHRF rating certificate (preferred) or a completed TBYC PHRF Rating Application Form prior to racing. [DP]

7.3 The TBYC Rating Committee may make adjustments to a boat's previously assigned rating based on prevailing weather conditions, or alterations or modifications deemed to give a boat a competitive advantage or disadvantage.

7.4 The TBYC Rating Committee will assign a provisional rating for any boat design that is not rated by the LMPHRF system. Provisional ratings may only be appealed by obtaining an LMPHRF rating certificate.

7.5 A boat entered to race in JAM configuration will be assigned a rating based on the non-spinnaker handicap rating for its design.

7.6 Any fundamental change to a boat, including but not limited to its hull, ballast, rigging, sail plan, sails (including new sails), foils, or propulsion system, shall be reported to the TBYC Ratings Committee, and may result in a ratings adjustment.

## 8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the TBYC website ([www.tbyc.on.ca](http://www.tbyc.on.ca)) no later than 8 PM on the day before the first scheduled race.

## 9 VENUE

Racing will take place in the port of Thunder Bay, inside or outside the harbour breakwall.

## 10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed may be:

10.1 Outside the breakwall: windward-leeward courses, or triangle-windward-leeward (Olympic) courses,

10.2 Inside the breakwall: around fixed navigational marks, or

10.3 As determined by the Race Committee.

## 11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 The first two sentences of rule RRS 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-turns Penalty.”

## 12 SCORING

12.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2 A race shall not be scored unless three or more boats, counting all divisions, come to the starting area. This changes RRS 35.

12.3 The races and series will be scored according to RRS Appendix A using RRS Appendix A9 “Race Scores in a Series Longer than a Regatta”. This changes RRS Appendix A4.2.

12.4 The series will be scored using each boat's best finishes in 60% (using half round-up method) plus one of the races (i.e., if 21 races are scored, 60% of 21 equals 12.6, which is rounded up to 13, plus 1; equals 14 races will be scored). This changes RRS A2.

12.5 Races will be scored using time-on-time to correct boats' finishing places.

12.6 For Division C only, golf-adjusted handicapping will be used as outlined in Appendix A.

### 13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all competing boats. [DP]

### 14 PRIZES

The Donald Dickey Memorial Trophy records the Series' division winners each year.

### 15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

The organizing authority and its race committee, protest committee, race officers, sponsors, members, directors, guests, employees, and volunteers, shall not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the series.

### 16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact TBYC Fleet Captain, Geoff Hall [denlow@live.ca](mailto:denlow@live.ca) 807 473-7556