



**ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:
MANHASSET BAY YACHT CLUB**

**31ST ANNUAL FALL SERIES
NOTICE OF RACE
OCTOBER 17, 18, 24, 25, 2009**

1. RULES

The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including US SAILING prescriptions. Also governing are:

- 1.1 Current YRA of LIS Minimum Equipment Regulation Category C;
- 1.2 Current YRA of LIS PHRF regulations
- 1.3 Current IRC Rules, parts 1, 2 & 3. For IRC, both Endorsed and Unendorsed Certificates: PHRF Crew weight limitations shall be observed – See YRALIS PHRF Regulations, E. Crew Weight.
- 1.4 Each boat shall display the numeral pennant for her assigned class from her backstay or an equivalent position from the time she appears in the starting area until she has finished and cleared the finish area or withdrawn from the race.
- 1.5 The regatta is designated Category A in accordance with Rule 79 and Appendix 1, Regulation 20, unless class rules specify otherwise.

2. ENTRIES ENTERING AND CLASSES

Owners and charterers of single-hull boats who are members of the YRA of LIS or a US SAILING recognized club or association are invited to compete in the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club Fall Series.

The boat shall enter in only one category, IRC, PHRF or One-Design. The completed entry form (online or paper), a current and valid rating or measurement certificate, and the entry fee must be received by Manhasset Bay Yacht Club **no later than Saturday, October 10, 2009**. The early registration entry fee is \$175 per boat for US SAILING Members and \$190 for non-US SAILING members (checks payable to MBYC). For entries received after Saturday, October 10, the entry fee is \$225 for US SAILING members and \$240 for non-USSAIIING members.

All boats shall have one of the following:

- PHRF: A current and valid YRA of LIS PHRF certificate on file with the YRA of LIS or submitted with the entry.
- IRC: A current and valid IRC certificate (endorsed or unendorsed) submitted with the entry.
- ONE DESIGN Evidence of compliance with class rules and compliance with PHRF requirement above. J44s and J105s will have a One Design class. Other One Design classes will be at the discretion of the RC.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The first warning will be signaled at 1055 each day. If weather conditions and time permit, additional races may be signaled each day. One race will constitute a series.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AVAILABILITY

Sailing Instructions (SIs) and scratch sheets will be available on the MBYC website, at MBYC, and, weather permitting, from patrol boats in the starting area the first day of racing. The MBYC website address is <http://www.manhassetbayyc.org>. To subscribe to the e-mail list, please e-mail **FallSeries@manhassetbayyc.org**.

6. RACING AREA AND COURSES

Courses will be signaled from the Race Committee boats stationed within a six-mile radius of Execution Rocks. Courses will be drop mark courses set in Western Long Island Sound east of Execution Rocks for all classes, with the following exception: *If conditions permit, one long course around government marks may be set either the first Sunday or the second Saturday.*

7. SCORING

The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, with a boat's worst score discarded if four or more races are completed will be used with the following modifications:

- OCS . . number of class starters in that race plus 1 point
- DNF . . number of class finishers in that race plus 2 points
- RET . . number of class starters in that race plus 1 point

A boat that accepts fault at an arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty score of 40% of the number of boats entered in the class (rounding 0.5 upward) added to her finishing position, except that she shall not be scored worse than DSQ. The scores of other boats shall not be changed. This changes RRS Appendix A

8. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

To facilitate communications to competitors, the Race Committee will broadcast announcements on VHF channels as designated in the SIs. These informational announcements may include the on station position of the signal boat, courses and OCS boats at each start.

9. PRIZES

The JOHN B. THOMSON SR. TROPHY will be awarded to the IRC, or One Design/Level boat having the best overall performance as determined by the Race Committee.

The TED CLARK TROPHY will be awarded to the PHRF boat having the best overall performance as determined by the Race Committee.

Appropriate class trophies will be awarded.

All prizes will be awarded at MBYC on Sunday, October 25, at approximately 1730.

10. SAILOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

By participating in this event, a sailor acknowledges that sailboat racing involves danger of severe personal injury. Each participant acknowledges that he or she is solely responsible for his or her own safety and that of the crew and boat. By participating, he or she represents that the boat and its equipment are in sound condition, that all required safety equipment is aboard, accessible for use and in operable condition, and that the decision to race, not to race, or to withdraw after starting is solely his or hers (see RRS 4). The owner, skipper and each crew member by participating in this event, waives and releases claims for bodily injury, death and property damage (including claims arising from negligence or lack of due care) which he or she may have, now or in the future, against Manhasset Bay Yacht Club, the YRA of LIS, and their respective officers, trustees, committees, members, employees and agents arising out of participation in this event.

12. OTHER

Guest Privileges. The members of MBYC are pleased to extend the privileges of their facilities to participants and their spouses and guests during the Fall Series. Moorings in the Club anchorage are available to the competitors during the event on a first come, first served basis. Mooring fees are waived for boats entered in the series. Please call the Dock Captain Pete Jamison, (516) 767-2150 x 114, to advise him of your approximate arrival.

For further information, contact:

Susan R. Miller, MBYC Fall Series Chair, Manhasset Bay Yacht Club, 455 Main Street, Port Washington, NY 11050. Phone (516) 767-2150 Fax (516) 767-2076.

FallSeries@manhassetbayyc.org