



NEW YORK YACHT CLUB 154th ANNUAL CRUISE

August 7-14, 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club (NYYC).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Annual Cruise will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. In addition, the NYYC Bylaws, Yacht Routine and Racing Rules apply.
- 1.2 **Cruising Rule** - The 2010 NYYC Cruising Rule (NYYC CR) shall apply to yachts racing under NYYC CR. The following requirements of the 2010 NYYC CR should be noted:
 - a) The NYYC CR is a simple rating rule for **cruising yachts** characterized by *vintage design* or a *substantial bias toward cruising*. The Technical Committee has established screening values of sail-area-to-displacement and displacement-length ratios that assist in determining whether a yacht is eligible for the Cruising Rule. If a yacht is considered to be more racing oriented than intended for the Cruising Rule, it may be requested to consider entering the IRC non-spinnaker division.
 - b) Only one sail may be flown forward of the foremost mast at any time and the luff of that sail shall be affixed to a stay, except that yachts with bona fide double headsail rigs may carry a staysail attached to the inner forestay. If changing headsails, it is required to drop one headsail before setting the new headsail.
 - c) A yacht shall not use any sail, including a mizzen staysail, which would qualify as a spinnaker in accordance with the description in rule 50.4. No mizzen staysails are permitted on yawls, but they are permitted on ketches.
 - d) Crew must be stationed fully inside the lifelines except as required for sail handling.
 - e) The NYYC CR rule "Crew is limited to the number of berths" is changed to "The number of crew age 16 or older is limited to the number of berths. Children under age 16 do not count against the crew limit."
- 1.3 **IRC Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker** - The 2010 IRC Rules and Regulations shall apply to yachts racing under IRC and IRC non-spinnaker.
 - 1.31 In accordance with IRC Rule 27.4, the OA is invoking the crew number limitation as printed on the IRC certificate for all yachts (endorsed and non-endorsed) that are sailing in IRC spinnaker classes. Children under age 16 do not count against the crew limit. There is no restriction on crew weight.
 - 1.32 In addition to the 2010 IRC Rules and Regulations, the following changes shall apply to yachts competing in IRC non-spinnaker classes:

- a) The number of crew age 16 or older is limited to the number of berths. Children under age 16 do not count against the crew limit. There is no weight limit.
 - b) Only one sail may be flown forward of the foremost mast at any time and the luff of that sail shall be affixed to a stay, except that yachts with bona fide double headsail rigs may carry a staysail attached to the inner forestay.
 - c) A yacht shall not use any sail, including a mizzen staysail, which would qualify as a spinnaker in accordance with the description in rule 50.4.
 - d) No spinnaker pole or outrigger shall be carried to leeward.
- 1.4 **Classics** - If there is a designated Classics division, they will be scored using the CRF rating system.
- 1.5 **Winches** - Yachts in the non-spinnaker divisions will be permitted to use electric and hydraulic winches.
- 1.6 The 2010-2011 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4, shall apply including prescriptions of US SAILING except:
- a) the US SAILING prescription to paragraph 5.01 regarding wearing personal flotation while starting and finishing shall not apply, and
 - b) as noted in NOR 1.9 below.
- 1.7 A yacht that is not normally rigged with lifelines that comply with Offshore Special Regulation 3.14 shall only be permitted to compete with the permission of the Commodore and the Race Committee. In addition, all crew members shall wear a personal flotation device while racing at all times while on deck.
- 1.8 Advertising will be restricted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 1.9 Identification numbers must be clearly visible on either the mainsail, overlapping headsail, or on a special weather cloth attached to the lifelines. These numbers must be registered with the Race Committee by the entry deadline. This changes rule 77 and Appendix G.
- 1.10 A yacht's name shall be clearly marked on miscellaneous buoyant equipment, such as lifejackets, cushions, lifebuoys, life slings, grab bags etc.
- 1.11 Yachts shall race each Squadron Run with the same sail inventory on board. Removal or addition of sails may only be made with the permission of the Race Committee.
- 1.12 Special conditions apply for the Queen's Cup. See Sailing Instruction Addendum 1 – Conditions for the Queen's Cup.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Yachts shall be enrolled yachts in accordance with NYYC By-Law Chapter XIII Section 1 or be determined to be eligible by the Commodore.
- 2.2 While racing, a New York Yacht Club member must be on board all yachts except those invited by the Commodore.
- 2.3 Paid hands may not be at the helm of a yacht at any time while racing unless specific permission is received through the Race Committee.
- 2.4 Entry shall be made online at www.nyyc.org/annualcruise/. The entry deadline is Friday, July 23.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee for a racing yacht is \$450. This includes one tender.
- 3.2 The entry fee for a non-racing yacht is \$350.
- 3.3 The entry fee for the Queens Cup Race Day only is \$75.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 **Registration** – Yachts will rendezvous at Wayfarer Marine in Camden, Maine. Registration will be open from 1400-1800 on Saturday, August 7th. Cruise Books, class assignments, scratch sheets and social tickets will be distributed at registration. Yachts joining the Cruise after August 7th shall register with the Race Committee aboard the signal boat *Tivoli*.
- 4.2 **Captains' Meeting** - A Captains' meeting will be held at 1730 on Saturday, August 7th at Wayfarer Marine in Camden, Maine. Attendance is limited to the captain or designee, plus one crewmember.
- 4.3 **Daily Schedule**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Event location</u>
Sat	Aug 7	1400-1800	Registration	Wayfarer Marine
		1730	Captains' meeting	Wayfarer Marine
Sun	Aug 8	0930	Harbor start and Parade	Camden – Seal Cove
		1100	Warning Signal – Queen's Cup Race Day	
			Non-spinnaker classes	
		1200	Warning Signal – Queen's Cup Race Day	
			Queen's Cup and other spinnaker classes	
Mon	Aug 9	1100	Warning Signal - Squadron Run #1	Seal Cove – Swan's Island
			Racing for the Commodore's Trophies	
Tue	Aug 10	1100	Warning Signal – Astor Cup Race Day	Swan's Island – Northeast Hbr
Wed	Aug 11		Lay day at Northeast Harbor – Dress Ship	Northeast Harbor
Thu	Aug 12	1200	Harbor start and Parade	Northeast Hbr – Merchant Row
		1300	Warning Signal - Squadron Run #2	
			Racing for the Vice Commodore's Trophies	
Fri	Aug 13	1100	Warning Signal - Squadron Run #3	Merchant Row – Gilkey Hbr
			Racing for the Rear Commodore's Trophies	
Sat	Aug 14	1000	Warning Signal - Squadron Run #4	Gilkey Hbr - Camden
			Racing for the U.S. Navy Challenge Cups	

- 4.4 If conditions do not allow the race for the Queen's, Una and Corsair Cups to be held as scheduled, the alternate day for the race will be Tuesday, August 10. Should this be necessary, the race for the Astor Cup scheduled for Tuesday, August 10 would then be cancelled.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Each yacht shall provide a valid 2010 rating certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office no later than July 23.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Draft sailing instructions will be posted on the Cruise web page at www.nyyc.org/annualcruise/. Final sailing instructions will be available at registration.

7 COURSES FOR SQUADRON RUNS

Courses for the Squadron Runs and drop mark races are described in the sailing instructions. Drop mark races may be used for the Queen's Cup.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty will be two places.
- 8.2 A yacht that has taken a penalty shall complete a penalty acknowledgement form (a copy is provided in the Cruise packet) and file it with the Race Committee not later than 2000 on the day of the incident.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Appendix A, Low Point System, will be used, except that any yacht which properly starts a race shall receive a score no worse than one point more than the number of starters in her class on that day. This changes rule A4.2.
- 9.2 Yachts that start, but fail to finish within the time limit for any reason shall, without a hearing, be scored by the Race Committee with points equal to the number of yachts in her class that have sailed the course and finished within the time limit, plus two. This changes rules A4.1, A4.2 and A5.
- 9.3 Four Squadron Runs are scheduled. A yacht's series score will be the total of all her race scores in the Squadron Runs. There is no discard. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.4 The Cup Races scheduled on Sunday, August 8 and Tuesday, August 10 will be scored separately.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded for each race by class. A first prize will be awarded if two or more yachts start in a class. Points for second and third place finishes will count toward Points Trophies. Cups and trophies for the Annual Cruise are described separately. All prizes, cups and trophies will be awarded at the Annual Awards Dinner in New York on Thursday, November 11, 2010 to which all members and their guests are invited.
- 10.2 The Herreshoff Medal will be awarded to the yacht which makes the best overall performance in the season's races and may include results on the 154th Annual Cruise including the Queen's Cup, Astor Cup, and Squadron Runs.
- 10.3 The Queen's, Una, Corsair and Dickerson Cups may be awarded to the yachts in the respective events having the lowest corrected times on Queen's Cup Race Day.
- 10.4 The Astor Cup will be awarded to the IRC Spinnaker Racing Class yacht having the lowest corrected time in the Astor Cup race.
- 10.5 The CYGNET CUP may be awarded to the enrolled yacht, which in the opinion of the Race Committee makes an outstanding performance during the Cruise, including the Squadron Runs and Cup Races.
- 10.6 The CRUISING RULE CUP may be awarded at the discretion of the Flag Officers to a yacht in the New York Yacht Club Cruising Rule division, owned and sailed by a NYYC member, which best exemplifies the traditions of yachting by her upkeep and appearance and performs admirably on the Cruise.
- 10.7 The EDWARD WELCH CLUCAS MEMORIAL TROPHY will be awarded to the yacht having the fastest elapsed time on the longest run of the Cruise.

- 10.8 The prizes offered by the Flag Officers and the Navy Challenge Cups will be awarded to the yachts placing first in each class on the days noted.
- 10.9 The following Cups and Trophies may be awarded to the yachts with the best cumulative scores for the Squadron Runs:
- a) Royal Yacht Squadron Cup
 - b) H. Irving Pratt Memorial Trophy
 - c) Cumberland Cup
 - d) Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Bowl
 - e) Navy Members Cup
 - f) Venona Cup 1913
 - g) Royal Bermuda Yacht Club Trophy
 - h) Royal Perth Yacht Club Trophy
 - i) Titania Cup
 - j) Venona Cup 1912
 - k) Commodore's Cup
 - l) Reliance Cup

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 11.1 Crew Waiver Form - As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver/media release and the fully executed Crew Waiver Form shall be submitted by fax (401-846-3303), by mail or at registration prior to racing. A parent or guardian must sign for a child under age 18. The form can be found at www.nyyc.org/annualcruise/.
- 11.2 Competitors and guests participate in the Annual Cruise entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Attention is also drawn to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02, Responsibility of the Person in Charge, as well as the "Waiver and Release of Liability" as stated on the entry form.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Annual Cruise website at <http://nyyc.org/annualcruise/> or contact the Sailing Office at:

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