

ROYAL SAVAGE YACHT CLUB
and
POINT BAY MARINA
— NOTICE OF RACE —

DIAMOND ISLAND REGATTA
Saturday August 20, 2016

General Information

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Royal Savage Yacht Club's 2016 racing season! Racing in the Diamond Island Regatta is open to members and non-members of RSYC.

The Royal Savage Yacht Club is located at Point Bay Marina, Charlotte, VT 05445, overlooking Town Farm Bay.

If you have questions about the RSYC racing program or Point Bay Marina facilities, contact one of the following:

- RSYC – rsyc.org
- RSYC Regatta Chair / Commodore – Roger Wallace rwallace@gmavt.net
- RSYC Fast Sail Captain / Regatta Registration – Steve Koch kochboats@gmail.com
- Point Bay Marina - Todd Smith at skipper@gmavt.net or 802-425-2431.

2.0 RULES

The Diamond Island Regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* except as altered by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.

3.0 RACING AREA

The racing area will include southern Lake Champlain and Town Farm Bay.

4.0 SAFETY

4.1 All boats shall carry equipment required by the US Coast Guard. The ultimate responsibility for the safety of the vessel and her crew rests with her captain and individual participants who shall call the Coast Guard for emergencies. By entry in a Royal Savage Yacht Club event, each participant accepts all risks of that event and agrees that Royal Savage Yacht Club will not be held responsible for any injury to personnel or loss to vessels or gear.

4.2 Decision to Race. “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or not to continue *racing* is hers alone” (from *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016*, Part 1.4).

4.3 When the wind is sustained at 25 knots or over and/or severe weather is predicted for race time, the Race Committee will consult with the Regatta Chair or his/her substitute before starting that race.

5.0 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 In order to race and be scored, all participants in the Diamond Island Regatta must complete and submit to RSYC a race registration form and shall have a valid PHRF rating assigned by the Lake Champlain PHRF Committee. A PHRF rating form may be found on the RSYC website at <http://rsyc.org/fast-sail-program/>.

5.2 Racing is free for RSYC members and members of LCYC, MBBC, & VSC. Guest racers who are not members of any of those clubs may race for free as well.

5.3 Register for the Regatta online at <http://rsyc.org/diamond-island-regatta/>. Check in will be at the RSYC tent at Point Bay Marina from 8:30 to 9:30 AM the morning of the race. To aid in planning register as soon as possible. That way your boat can be entered in the scoring program and registration materials can be ready for you on race morning.

5.4 Decisions about which class a boat will sail in will be made when the boat registers based upon the information provided.

6.0 ELIGIBILITY

Decisions of the RSYC Regatta Committee regarding eligibility shall be final.

7.0 CLASSES AND SCORING

7.1 PHRF breaks for spinnaker boats are: Class A – below 81 / Class B – 81 thru 126, Displacement <7500 lbs / Class C – 81-126 Displacement 7500 or greater / Class D greater than 126. PHRF breaks for JaM boats are: Class A 138 and below / Class B >138.

7.2 Races shall be scored using the low-point scoring system as specified in Appendix A of current RRS. All races shall be scored using wind-indexed time-on-time.

8.0 COURSES AND RACE MARKS

The course will be displayed from the Race Committee boat in accordance with the current RSYC Sailing Instructions. Courses and locations of race marks are described in COURSES AND RACE MARKS, published in a separate document.

9.0 START

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FLAG & SOUND SIGNAL</u>	
Spinnaker	1100.....	Purple up / 1 sound	Warning
	1101.....	"P" up / 1 sound	Preparatory
	1104.....	"P" down / 1 long sound	One-minute
	1105.....	Purple down / 1 sound	Start
	Jib & Main	1105.....	Yellow up / 1 sound
1106.....		"P" up / 1 sound	Preparatory
1109.....		"P" down / 1 long sound	One-minute
1110.....		Yellow down / 1 sound	Start

10.0 TIME LIMIT: 1500 hours

11.0 SKIPPERS' MEETING: 0930 hrs the day of the race, at the RSYC tent.

12.0 OTHER: Mooring or slip arrangements may be made in advance by contacting Todd Smith at Point Bay Marina or at skipper@gmavt.net or 802-425-2431.

13.0 AWARDS

Trophies will be presented to the winner of each class at an awards ceremony at the club tent following the race, just prior to the annual Lobster Fest dinner.

14.0 LOBSTER FEST REGISTRATION

Racers are invited to the dinner and may purchase tickets at RSYC member prices of \$25. Please sign up for dinner early as this event sells out. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://rsyc.org/shop/> on or before Tuesday August 18th.

15.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board prior to the race and will be available at the skippers' meeting. Any changes will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.