

**Olcott Yacht Club**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Wire Down Regatta**  
**June 28 and 29, 2008**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Any racing rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

**2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Category C will apply unless otherwise specified by Class Rules.

**3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to keelboats owned by members in good standing of a current US Sailing or CYA member club/organization or individual members of either National Authorities.
- 3.2 Boats registered must possess valid PHRF-LO certificate.
- 3.3 Boat owners must provide proof of valid third party liability insurance.
- 3.4 Eligible boats will be entered by completing the entry form and supply copy of valid PHRF-LO certificate, copy of valid marine liability insurance along with entry fee to Olcott Yacht Club, by *Friday June 27, 2008, 9:00 PM*. Entry forms are also available on the OYC web site at [www.olcottyachtclub.com](http://www.olcottyachtclub.com)

**4. REGISTRATION AND FEES**

- 4.1 Entry forms are available on the Olcott Yacht Club web site [www.olcottyachtclub.com](http://www.olcottyachtclub.com) and at the clubhouse after May 1, 2008.
- 4.2 Onsite registration will be open May 1, 2008 through Friday June 27, 2008 till 9:00 PM.
- 4.3 Entry fee is \$40 US.

**5. SERIES AND CLASSES**

- 5.1 Five (5) races are scheduled. Three (3) on Saturday, two (2) on Sunday.
- 5.2 Boats will be assigned a class prior to the Saturday Skipper's meeting determined by their PHRF rating and whether the rating is based on the use of a spinnaker.
- 5.3 Fleet Assignments will be posted on the official notice board at OYC, by 9:00 am on Saturday, June 28, 2008.

**6. SCHEDULE**

- 6.1 A skipper's meeting will be held on the Olcott Yacht Club patio at 9:30 am on Saturday, June 28.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be 11:00 am.
- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sunday will be 11:00 am.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 Sailing instructions will be distributed with registration package and will be available at the Skipper's Meeting.

**8. VENUE**

- 8.1 Racing will take place around inflatable marks outside Olcott Harbor.

## **9. PENALTY SYSTEM**

9.1 The Two-Turns penalty specified in RRS 44.1 and 44.2 has been modified to be one turn, including one tack and one gjbe. *Rule* 44.3 is not in effect.

## **10. SCORING**

10.1 The Low-Point Scoring System Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

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

10.3 All races will be scored (no throw-outs), changing *rule* A2.

10.4 First place in a race shall be scored .75 points, changing *rule* A4.1.

10.5 For scoring purposes, DSQ shall receive points equal to the total number of registered boats in that division plus two (2). DNF shall receive points equal to the total number of finishers in that division plus one (1). This changes *rule* A4.2.

10.6 PHRF classes will be scored using time-on-time

## **11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

11.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

12.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **13. PRIZES**

13.1 Awards will be presented to the first, second, and third place boats in each division. First place boats will have their names inscribed on the Wire Down Regatta Perpetual Trophy.

13.2 Awards will be presented on Sunday June 29, 2008 after racing ends.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

## **15. INSURANCE**

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

16.1 Regatta co-chairs Mark and Sue Cassidy at [rapparems@aol.com](mailto:rapparems@aol.com)  
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