

AROUND THE ISLAND 2021

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

You are cordially invited to compete in Conanicut Yacht Club's 94th annual AROUND THE ISLAND RACE to be held Sunday, September 5th, 2021.

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. **MANAGEMENT:** The AROUND THE ISLAND race will be conducted by the Conanicut Yacht Club's Race Committee (RC), which will have the authority to reject any entry before each race starts, interpret the rules and conditions of the race, and decide any protest. The fleet shall be divided into classes according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the committee.
- 2. **ELIGIBILITY:** The Race is open to mono hull sailing yachts 22' to 80' and sport boats less than 22' at the discretion of the RC. PHRF-NB ratings of all yachts shall be 280 or lower.
 - 2.1 All yachts must have either a valid 2021 PHRF-NB rating certificate listed on the PHRF-NB website or shall be a member of a recognized One-Design class (e.g. J22, Shields, J24) for which a PHRF-NB rating is known. A yacht with multiple valid PHRF-NB rating certificates shall enter using their certificate with the lowest PHRF-NB rating number. The only exception to this shall be if a yacht with multiple PHRF-NB ratings elects to race within a designated one design class where all boats are sailing with the class recognized one design sail combination. (eg J109). A One design boat without a PHRF-NB rating, that elects to use the standard PHRF-NB rating of a recognized One-Design class must be equipped and sail in compliance with the rules of that class.
 - 2.2 One-Design yachts with five or more entries will be grouped in a dedicated class and have their own start.
 - 2.3 The Entry fee is \$100.00, or \$125.00 if registration is completed after August 22nd, 2021.
 - 2.4 No entries will be accepted after September 1st 2021.
 - 2.5 Register online at: www.conanicutyachtclub.org.
- 3. **<u>RULES:</u>** The rules governing the race will be:
 - 3.1 The 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing and US Sailing Prescriptions.
 - 3.2 The Class rules for all one-design yachts sailing in a dedicated one-design start, or one-design yachts sailing in any class and relying on a PHRF-NB rating for that class.
 - 3.3 This Race Notice, and all amendments.
 - 3.4 The Sailing Instructions and all amendments, which take precedence in case of conflict.

4. CLASSES and SCORING:

- 4.1 Yachts will be divided into classes based on PHRF-NB handicap and at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.2 Spinnaker and non-spinnaker handicapped yachts will be assigned their own classes.
- 4.3 Classes will be designated for each One Design class with five or more entries.
- 4.4 PHRF-NB Rated Yachts sailing in classes other than a One Design class will be scored using Time on Time (TOT) correction using 2021 PHRF-NB ratings.
- 4.5 Scratch sheets will be published online at www.conanicutyachtclub.org by 1200 hours Saturday, September 4th 2021.

5. **PRIZES:**

- 5.1 One prize will be awarded for the mono hull with overall fastest elapsed time. In the event race conditions dictate that the Race Committee establish more than one course, only yachts sailing the longest course are eligible for this award.
- 5.2 One prize will be awarded for the mono hull with overall fastest corrected time using PHRF (TOT). In the event race conditions dictate that the Race Committee establish more than one course, only yachts sailing the longest course are eligible for this award.
- 5.3 All classes 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes awarded.
- 6. **<u>REGISTRATION</u>**: Register for the race and post race event tickets online at: <u>www.conanicutyachtclub.org</u>. Registration will open by July 1st 2021
- 7. **NOTICES:** All Notices to Competitors and changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official website notice board.
- 8. **STARTING AND FINISH LINE:** The Starting Line and Finish Line will be approximately east of the Conanicut Yacht Club. The Starting Line will be between an orange flag displayed on the Committee Boat and an orange tetrahedron buoy. The Starting Area will extend 100 yards perpendicularly from both sides of the Starting Line and radially from its ends. Yachts may only enter this area after their Warning Signal. The Finish Line (not necessarily in the same location as the Starting Line) will be between an orange flag on the Committee Boat and an orange or red buoy.
- 9. <u>TRACKING:</u> The ATI race features competitor tracking both for real time and post race enjoyment, and also for safety reasons. All competitors are requested and expected to participate from the time of checking in until crossing the finish line. The tracking service is for spectator entertainment and safety purposes only. Data collected by the tracking service is not admissible evidence in a protest or request for redress. The service is provided at no cost to the competitors. Details about how to activate your phone as the tracker will be provided closer to the time of the race.

10. CHECK-IN and RACE INFORMATION:

10.2 All yachts shall check in with the Race Committee prior to the Warning Signal, providing their yacht's sail number and class, via VHF Channel 78. The Race Committee may also broadcast general race information on Channel 78. Any yacht retiring from the race after checking in shall communicate their retirement to the Race Committee on Channel 78. There will be R/C boats stationed around the course each designated by a yellow R/C flag able to receive emergency information or retirement notices on Channel 78.

10.3 The RC will post a telephone number with the scratch sheet. Yachts may, in lieu of VHF communications send texts to the posted number. Please do not text a check-in until you are ready to race.

***** REMEMBER TO ACTIVATE YOUR TRACKER! *****

11. **COURSE SIGNALS:** The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat.

Sample course board:

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12. SPECIAL COURSE INSTRUCTION-ALL CLASSES:

- 12.1 The Newport to Jamestown Bridge shall be passed under any of the center three spans of the suspension section of the bridge. No yacht shall sail between Rose Island and the Newport Bridge.
- 12.2 The Jamestown to North Kingstown Bridge shall be passed through the center span only.



12.3 Shortening the Course: In addition to shortening at turning marks, the Race Committee may shorten the Course in the vicinity of the Jamestown to North Kingstown Bridge. In this case the Finish shall be between the anchored Committee Boat and the nearby red navigation buoy, just to the north of the Jamestown Bridge.

13. COURSES:

13.1 Course "O"

Starting from North to South from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell"11," the Dumplings, leave to Starboard; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can "5," NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can "3," NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard and then to Finish Line. **Distance 18.1 miles**.

13.2 Course "X"

Starting from South to North, from the Starting Line to Can "3," NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to Can "5," NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Port; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. **Distance 18.1** <u>miles</u>.

13.3 Course "Z"

Starting from South to North, from the Starting Line to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Starboard; then to FL R 4 sec. Bell R "14," Bishop Rock, leave to Starboard; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Starboard and then to Finish Line. <u>Distance is 12.0 miles</u>.

13.4 Course "P"

Starting from North to South, from Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Port; then to FL R 4 sec. Bell R "14," Bishop Rock, leave to Port; then to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. **Distance 12.0 miles**.

13.5 Course "T"

Starting from North to South, from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5, Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Starboard; then to GR Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can C-1 Northeast of Hope and Despair Islands leaving it and both islands to Starboard and then finish line. <u>Distance 21.5</u> <u>miles</u>.

13.6 Course "U"

Starting from South to North to Can C-1 Northeast of Hope and Despair Island leaving it and both Islands to Port, then to GR Bell Southwest of Beavertail, leave to Port; then to FL G 2.5 sec. Bell "11," the Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. <u>Distance 21.5 miles</u>.

14. **STARTING SEQUENCE:** The Starting Sequence will begin with the Classics, then the class of smaller/slower boats and ascend to the classes of larger/faster boats.

Class A Warning Signal will be at approximately 1055.

NOTE: The starting sequence will follow rule RRS-26. Times shall be taken by visual signals – NOT sound signals. (EXAMPLE)

SIGNAL	FLAG & SOUND	MINUTES TO START
Warning	"A" Flag, 1 sound signal	5
Preparatory	"P" Flag, 1 sound signal	4
One Minute	"P" Flag Down, 1 sound signal	1
Start	"A" Flag Down, 1 sound signal	0

The Warning Signal for each succeeding class shall be APPROXIMATELY ONE MINUTE after the start signal of the preceding class. THIS TIME IS ONLY APPROXIMATE; THEREFORE EACH STARTING SEQUENCE SHOULD BE TIMED INDEPENDENTLY.

- 15. **POSTPONEMENT:** AP Answering Pennant and two sound signals. Race Committee will attempt to announce all signals on Channel 78.
- 16. **INDIVIDUAL RECALL:** Code Flag X and one sound signal. The Committee shall attempt to notify each yacht recalled by hailing its sail number on Ch 78, but it is the responsibility of each yacht to start correctly.
- 17. <u>GENERAL RECALL</u>: First Repeater and two sound signals. A General Recall will NOT interrupt the starting sequence of the next class. The class recalled will start after all other classes have been started in original order and after all other previously recalled classes in order. This changes Rule 29.2
- <u>TIME LIMIT</u>: The time limit for this race will be 1700 hours. One yacht of a class finishing within the time limit will constitute a Race for that class. However, yachts finishing more than one hour after the time limit will be scored DNF (did not finish). This changes Rules 35, A4 and A5

19. ABANDONMENT:

- 19.1 Code flag N with three horns. All classes that have started are abandoned. Return to starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is abandoned again or postponed.
- 19.2 Code Flag N OVER A with three horns. All races (classes) abandoned. No racing today.

20. **PROTEST:**

- 20.1 Protesting yachts shall conform to the racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 Rule 61 (Protest Requirements).
- 20.2 Protesting yachts shall file a protest on a US Sailing Form with the Protest Committee at the Conanicut Yacht Club within two (2) hours of finishing or by 1800 hours on September 5th 2021 whichever is earlier.
- 20.3 All protests filed in a timely fashion will be heard at 1800 hours or immediately following filing, whichever is earlier.
- 20.4 All individuals involved in protests shall be at the Conanicut Yacht Club at hearing time.

<u>CHANGES</u>: All changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0900 on the day the **<u>change will take effect</u>**

21. Covid-19 statement

Organizing and running the ATI race this year may require changes and modifications to its pre-covid form. There are frequently changing State and Federal requirements and guidelines with respect to the pandemic and social distancing. CYC and the Race Committee is constantly monitoring this and will run the event in compliance with those rules in order to keep competitors, CYC staff and race officers as safe as is possible. This may mean that changes have to be made to start lines, sequences or finish lines. We do ask for your cooperation and please keep an eye out for any late special instructions or changes.