

ASSA Albemarle Challenge

NOTICE OF RACE

September 26 - 29

Hosted by Osprey Yacht Club - Albemarle Plantation - Hertford, NC



ORGANIZED BY: Albemarle Sound Sailing Association

HOSTED BY: Osprey Yacht Club and The Albemarle Plantation (AP)

ELIGIBILITY: The regatta is open to all fixed keel, monohull boats with a valid and current PHRF Rating for the race dates. Monohulls with a fixed keel and a centerboard that extends from the keel are allowed. Classes for multihulls, or spinnaker will be considered by the Regatta Committee if four (4) or more boats in that class enter, attend, and race. You may find our current [ASSA PHRF rating form](#) here or you may apply for a PHRF of the [Chesapeake Rating](#) here.

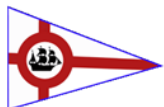
Note: The PHRF Committee of the ASSA will review the Chesapeake or ASSA PHRF form submitted with your registration for accuracy. Boats must have a valid and current PHRF form for the dates of the race to be allowed to participate in the regatta. Boats without a valid and current PHRF rating form will have their registration fee refunded. Please note that any changes to a boat's PHRF rating by the ASSA PHRF Committee may be appealed to the ASSA PHRF Committee no later than September 21

REGISTRATION: Eligible boats may enter by completing the [attached entry form](#) and sending it with the registration fee of \$75 to ASSA Treasurer, 109 N. River Circle W., Hertford, NC 27944 postmarked by September 14, 2024. Checks should be made payable to ASSA with ASSA Regatta on the memo line. Be sure to include your e-mail address. When your registration and check are received, you will receive an email acknowledgment. Late registration will be \$100 if postmarked on or after September 15, 2024.

RACE AREA: Both short, intermediate, and distance race courses are planned around drop and government marks in the area of the Albemarle Sound, south of the Yeopim River entrance, east of NC Rt 32 fixed bridge, north of the Scuppernong River entrance, and west of the Red 2P Entrance Marker to the Perquimans River.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES AND RACING

- September 26: Welcome Reception and check-in for all skippers and crews from 5-7 under the tent at Dockside Park.
- September 27, 28, 29: Racing around drop and government marks. There will be one day of 3 short races, one day of 2 middle distance races, and a day of 1 long race. Races and days will be announced in advance, and be based on predicted weather conditions.
- Evening activities including socials and a Sunday Awards Dinner are planned.
- A Skippers meeting and Continental Breakfast will be held each race day, beginning at 08:00 a.m. at the OYC Clubhouse next to the Dockside Cafe. Racing starts at 10:00 a.m.
- Visiting yachts will be allowed to dock their boats free of charge on a space-available basis at the Albemarle Plantation docks for the duration of the event. Visiting yachts in AP slips may arrive the Sunday before the event and depart the Saturday following the Regatta. If shore power is needed at any time during your stay, a charge of \$10.00/day will be assessed. Please contact OYC Dock Master, J.E. Darnell at 252-426-4037, dockmaster@albemarleplantation.com to make arrangements for an assigned slip.



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RACING CLASSES: The fixed keel, monohull fleet will be divided into classes with the goal of creating competitive racing based on SA/DSLP (sail area/displacement) and scoring will be based on PHRF rating. Spinnaker, and multihull boats will have separate classes if 4 or more boats enter, attend, and race.

RULES: [The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024](#) and the prescriptions of the US Sailing will govern the regatta, except for changes noted in the Sailing Instructions. **Sail Numbers that are legible on both sides of the mainsail are required. Electric Winches will be allowed.**

SCORING: Time-on-time scoring will be used.

SAFETY: All vessels must comply with USCG safety requirements. Racing may be postponed or canceled if Small Craft Warnings are posted by NOAA for the area.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule, 3, Decision to Race in [The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024](#). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or before, during, or after the regatta.

QUESTIONS: Contact any club's ASSA representative ([2024 ASSA Club Contact List](#)) or Greg Florence at gwfflorence335@gmail.com.