



HBYC 2026 Racing Season

Notice of Race

1. RULES

1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be emailed to those registered prior to the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels.

3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The following classes are eligible to enter:

- a. WFPHRF - Cruising

4.2 A minimum of **THREE** boats are required for a race.

4.3 Waiver of liability: As part of the entry process, all skippers waivers must be completed (2026 HBYC member application/ renewal) and submitted before registration to be a valid entry.

4.4 Entry and fee must be received 7 days prior to race date. A \$5 late fee will be added, if registering within the 7 days prior to race day.

4.5 Any boat registering for BOTY, must do so by February 7, 20226

5. FEES

5.1 BOTY \$25 + \$10 per race

5.2 Non BOTY \$20 per race

5.3 Late fee \$5

5.4 There will be an additional fee for the Hudson to Hooters awards party.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 There are 6 races scheduled for the 2026 season

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| • Season Opener | Sunday February 22 | 2:00pm Warning, 2:10pm Start |
| • Spring Fling | Saturday March 21 | 1:30pm Warning, 1:40pm Start |
| • St. Martins | Saturday April 11 | 10:00am Warning, 10:10am Start |
| • Scandia Cup | Sunday May 17 | 11:00am Warning, 11:10am Start |
| • Fall Regatta | Sunday September 13 | 1:30pm Warning, 1:40pm Start |
| • Hudson to Hooters | Saturday October 10 | 12:30pm Warning, 12:40 Start |

6.2 All warning and start times are approximate. Finalized times will be posted in the Sailing Instructions prior to each race.

6.3 Starts are based on a countdown from a sound signal, NOT the time of day.

6.4 There will be no makeup dates for any of the races.

7. COURSES

7.1 The number of races, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instruction.

8. SCORING

8.1 For BOTY...Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races with no race scores excluded. One race will constitute a season.

8.2 Boats will be scored using time-on-distance (TOD) scoring.

8.3 No race will be held in wind, at the start or forecasted, in excess of 20 knots. It is the discretion of the skipper to start or continue a race.

9. RISK STATEMENT

9.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The Race Director, Board Members and HBYC 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.

10. PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be awarded after racing.

10.2 The number of awards will be based on how many boats are registered for the race.

3 boats - 1st place

4 boats - 1st and 2nd

5+ boats - 1st, 2nd and 3rd

10.3 BOTY award will be presented at the November HBYC general meeting.

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