

Dockside King of Clubs Regatta

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Event Sailing Instructions
Organized by Lynn Yacht Club

1. **Introduction:**

The Lynn Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority and will hold the Dockside King of Clubs Regatta on Sunday, July 28, 2024. The race will be approximately 5 miles in length, and will be handicapped using PHRF-NE ratings. If a boat does not have a PHRF-NE rating one will be assigned by the Organizing Authority. Assigned ratings are not appealable. Spinnakers or other free flying sails will not be allowed unless declared no later than Friday, July 26 at NOON. All boats are eligible to enter the Regatta if the boat is sailed by at least one member of the Lynn Yacht Club, Swampscott Yacht Club or the Nahant Dory Club.

2. **Eligibility and Entry:**

Competitors may register by emailing their club representative or directly to Jody Graul at jfgraul@comcast.net no later than Sunday, July 28, 2024 at 0800.. The club representative for the Lynn Yacht Club is Jody Graul at jfgraul@comcast.net. The club representative for the Swampscott Yacht Club is Matt Bachman at matthew.m.bachman@gmail.com. The club representative for the Nahant Dory Club is Commodore Sandy Burton at burton142857@gmail.com. Registration should include the name of the boat, its name, sail number and type of boat.

3. **Scratch Sheet, Racing Chart and Sailing Instructions:**

The scratch sheet, racing chart and sailing instructions will be posted on the Lynn Yacht Club web site <https://lynnyachtclub.org/join-us> and download Scratch Sheet.

4. **Check-in Before the Start:**

All boats must check in with the Race Committee prior to the start by sailing past the boat and hailing the Race Committee with the name of the boat, sail number and number of crew on board. Boats may also check in by radio on VHF Ch. 69. Please keep radio communication to a minimum especially before the start to avoid confusion.

5. **Racing Area:**

Within Broad Sound, south of Nahant.

6. **Restricted Areas:**

Yachts shall not pass between The Spindle Buoy BR"DBR" and Nahant. See Racing Chart.

7. **Course:**

The race will be run over a preset course as follows:

The start and finish lines will be between the Race Committee boat, a white 42 foot

Viking power boat named "C Gails" and the **Lynn Entrance Buoy R"2" FI R 2.5s BELL**. The Race Course is depicted on the Racing Chart.

The Race Committee will announce whether the course will be sailed clockwise or counterclockwise. The marks of the course include **Shag Rock Buoy R "2" FI R 4s; Flip Rock Buoy RG "FR" GONG; and Nahant Rock Buoy GC "1."**

Regardless of the course being sailed clockwise or counter clockwise, the Spindle Buoy will be honored and no boats shall pass between The Spindle Buoy BR"DBR" and Nahant.

If the Race Committee announces that the course will be sailed clockwise, all marks of the course will be left to starboard. If the Race Committee announces that the course will be sailed counter clockwise, all marks will be left to port.

The starting and finishing line is always between the committee boat and the nearby **Lynn Entrance Buoy R"2" FI R 2.5s BELL** regardless of the position of the Race Committee boat.

8. **The Start:**

The Race Committee will be using GPS time. The start time is noon.

Each boat will be given a start time containing the hour 12 together with minutes and seconds after the noon start. For example Boat X may have a start time of 12:04:14 and Boat Y may have a start time of 12:11:52.

The starting sequence is as follows:

11:55:00 Horn and A (alpha) Flag is hoisted.

11:56:00 Horn and P (papa) Flag is hoisted.

11:59:00 Horn and P (papa) Flag is lowered.

12:00:00 Noon – Horn and A (alpha) Flag is lowered. This is the start even if there is no boat assigned a 12:00:00 starting time. For boats without GPS time, this is when you should start your watches to determine your individual starting time.

9. **Time Limit:**

Two (2) hours after the start which may be extended by the Race Committee. All announcements and radio communication during the race will be made on VHF channel 69.

10. **Scoring:**

The Dockside King of Clubs is a one-race regatta. A boat will be scored in the order in which it crosses the finish line. Depending upon turnout, the winning club will be based upon the finishing positions of its top three boats. The club with the lowest top three boat total will be declared the Dockside King of Clubs for 2024. (Note: a greater turnout will score the top four or five finishing boats for purposes of determining the winning club.)

11. **Trophies and Social Event:**

The awards ceremony will be held at the Dockside Pub, Humphrey St., Swampscott MA following completion of the race. Food may be ordered from the menu and cash bar.

The winning club will be presented with the Dockside King of Clubs trophy for display at its club until the following year. Additionally, the top three boats from each club will be awarded an individual prize.

12. **Additional Information:**

Any questions can be directed to club representatives or Jody Graul
jfgraul@comcast.net.

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