



## 2014 Wednesday Night Race Series III

July 23<sup>rd</sup> – August 27<sup>th</sup>

Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.
- 1.3 All aspects of the RNSYS Constitution and Bylaws shall apply.
- 1.4 Boats shall compete with equipment that is compliant with their Sail Nova Scotia PHRF certificate.
- 1.5 In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

#### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to RNSYS yachts that hold a current Sail Nova Scotia PHRF certificate.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line (<http://www.rnsys.com/racing/registration>) or paper entry form and submitting it to the RNSYS Race Director no later than 1.5 hours prior to the start of racing.
- 2.3 Yacht owners and the Persons In Charge (if different) shall be members of the RNSYS in good standing (RRS 46). Crews need not be members, but owners should encourage their crew to join either as full members or as privileged crew.
- 2.4 Persons who have been suspended or expelled from the RNSYS shall not be present on competing yachts in any capacity.

#### 3 ENTRY FEES

There is no entry fee for this event.

#### 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Dates and times of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>First Signal</i>
July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1830 hrs
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	1830 hrs
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	1830 hrs
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	1830 hrs
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	1830 hrs
August 27 <sup>th</sup>	1830 hrs

4.2 Up to six (6) races are scheduled for this series.

## 5 HANDICAPS

5.1 Each boat shall verify on their entry form that the yacht data on file with Sail Nova Scotia is current and shall notify the Race Director of any changes to their rating during the series.

5.2 Class splits shall be determined by the spinnaker rating of each yacht. If a yacht decides to not fly a spinnaker (see NOR 5.4) and the change in rating would place her in another class, she shall be scored within her original class.

5.3 It is the intention of the Race Committee to place boats into the following classes:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Rating Band</i>
A	< 80
B	80 - 150
C	> 151

5.4 For each race in the series yachts shall be assumed to be flying a spinnaker and rated as such unless the Signal Boat is informed to the contrary via VHF or voice and a confirmation is received before the start of that race as per the procedure laid out on the Sailing Instructions.

5.5 The Race Director may place boats in classes using criteria other than handicap.

5.6 One design classes with four (4) or registrants may request to be scored separately. The decision shall be made and communicated prior to the start of the series and shall last for the duration of the series.

## 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on-line (<http://www.rnsys.com/races/series/wednesday-night-race-series-iii.html>) or from the Race Director.

## 7 SCORING

7.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

7.2 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 8 COURSES

8.1 The regatta will be sailed on the waters of Halifax Harbour and Approaches.

8.2 Courses for the series shall consist of a combination of windward-leewards, triangle and around-the-buoy courses.

8.3 The Sail Nova Scotia Course Card (available at <http://www.rnsys.com/races/series/wednesday-night-race-series-iii.html>) shows the marks to be used for the courses.

## 9 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class for the Series. The Squadron will also supply prizes for the top three finishers in each class for each race. Prizes will also be awarded to the overall series winner in each class at the Annual Awards Banquet and Prize Presentations (November 1<sup>st</sup>).

## 10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

10.1 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.

- 10.2 A waiver and release of liability will be required to be affirmed at registration as well as proof of insurance and liability coverage.

## **11 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 12.1 Additional information may be provided via the RNSYS website (<http://www.rnsys.com>), RNSYS e-mail blasts and through the RNSYS Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/rnsys>).
- 12.2 For further information please contact the RNSYS Race Director at (902) 477-5653 ext. 109 or [racedirector@rnsys.com](mailto:racedirector@rnsys.com) or Luke Porter, Vice Commodore of Sailing at [vcsailing@rnsys.com](mailto:vcsailing@rnsys.com).