



Monroe Boat Club Sailing Fleet

2009 Midweek Races

Notice of Race

RULES: Races will be governed by the current US Sailing Association Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), except as modified by this Notice of Race or the 2009 Sailing Instructions.

ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY: The Midweek Race Series is open to all single-hulled, auxiliary sailboats. Each entry must possess a current PHRF handicap rating certificate and a minimum of \$100,000 liability insurance. A copy of current certificate and insurance must accompany entry form with entry fee. A handicap certificate may be waived for first-season entrants at the discretion of the Race Chair.

Eligible boats may register in advance by mail or online at www.MonroeBoatClub.org. Registration forms are available at the MBC clubhouse and on the website. Open registration at MBC will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2009, two weeks prior to the series start, from 7:00 until 8:30 pm. A late entry may be accepted throughout the season provided the required paperwork is submitted PRIOR TO THE START OF THAT BOAT'S FIRST RACE.

A racing yacht must declare its racing division (JAM or PHRF) prior to the start of the first race of a series. NO DIVISION CHANGES WILL BE MADE DURING A SERIES. If a boat elects to start with a different division than its registration, it will not be scored for any race(s) sailed in that different division.

FEES: The entry fee is \$35.00.

SCHEDULE:

REGISTRATION & SHAKEDOWN: Tuesday, May 5, 2009, 6:00 – 8:30 pm

RACING: Tuesday evenings, beginning May 12, 2009, and continuing through September 4, 2009 (except August 4th).

EARLY SERIES:	May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 09, 16, 23, 30
LATE SERIES:	July 07, 14, 21, 28, August 11, 18, 25, September 01
RUM SERIES:	September 08, 15, 22

THERE WILL BE NO MAKEUP RACES SCHEDULED IF A RACE IS CANCELLED FOR ANY REASON.

AWARDS: October 17, 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than Tuesday, May 5, 2009, and may be picked up at the MBC clubhouse.

VENUE: Races will be sailed in Lake Erie using the MBC/NCYC Racing Marks. These permanent marks are arranged in a diamond pattern approximately two miles on a side with a mark at the approximate center. Please see diagram. Each mark is painted orange and may display an identifying letter "W" (West), "N" (North), "E" (East), "S" (South) and "C" (Center). All starts will be from the North (N) mark.

COURSES: The Race Committee will identify the course for each race by displaying the appropriate course number prior to the warning signal. The course number will be indicated by panels with black numbers on a white background.

Course #	Class	Rounding Marks -direction	Nautical Miles
1	PHRF	Start-W-E-Finish (port)	6.8
	JAM	Start-W-C-Finish (port)	4.8
2	PHRF	Start-W-S-Finish (port)	6.8
	JAM	Start-W-C-Finish (port)	4.8
3	PHRF	Start-S-W-Finish (stbd)	6.8
	JAM	Start-C-W-Finish (stbd)	4.8
4	PHRF	Start-S-E-Finish (port)	6.8
	JAM	Start-C-E-Finish (port)	4.8
5	PHRF	Start-E-W-Finish (stbd)	6.8
	JAM	Start-E-C-Finish (stbd)	4.8
6	PHRF	Start-E-S-Finish (stbd)	6.8
	JAM	Start-E-C-Finish (stbd)	4.8
7	ALL	Start-W-C-Finish (port)	4.8
8	ALL	Start-C-W-Finish (stbd)	4.8
9	ALL	Start-E-C-Finish (stbd)	4.8
10	ALL	Start-C-E-Finish (port)	4.8
11	ALL	Start-W-Finish (port)	4.0
12	PHRF	Start-W-N-W-Finish (port)	8.0
	JAM	Start-W-Finish (port)	4.0
13	ALL	Start-S-Finish (port)	5.6
14	PHRF	Start-S-N-C-Finish (port)	8.4
	JAM	Start-S-Finish (port)	5.6
15	ALL	Start-E-Finish (port)	4.0
16	PHRF	Start-E-N-E-Finish (port)	8.0
	JAM	Start-E-Finish (port)	4.0

PENALTY SYSTEM: RRS 44.1 and 44.2 (Turns Penalty) will be in effect.

SCORING: The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. Results for a series will be calculated on the best 6 scores in each series. This changes RRS Appendix A-2.

All MBC members are required to perform a Race Committee duty, which is scored as 1st place in Class and Division Overall, at least one time during the season. In the event additional Race Committee duties are warranted, those occurrences will be still count as a race sailed, but be scored 1.5th place in Class and 1.5th place OA.

RADIO COMMUNICATION: A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile (cell) telephones.

PRIZES: Award flags will be awarded to the top three finishers of each class. Exception: only one flag per season is awarded in a class with only one boat. Overall Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division of two or more classes (PHRF/JAM).

FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Sail Fleet Captain, Dave Ryan at 419-885-8609.