

Notice of Race

Percy Priest Yacht Club



Race and Raft Up

Saturday, September 15, 2018

- 1. INVITATION**--Percy Priest Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the **Race and Raft Up** on **Saturday, September 15, 2018**. This fun low-key race is a follow-up to this year's fall training, **Regatta Prep for The Uninitiated**. Like last year we are teaming a club race with training so that participants can put into practice skills learned at the training event.

We will go through the paces of a Regatta day with this fun club race. There is no charge for this race and prizes will be a rehash of awards left over from previous regattas and will not follow the traditional 1st, 2nd, 3rd finishes. But it is all guaranteed to be in the spirit of great fun!

All are welcome, but those who attend the Regatta Prep Class on September 8th are especially encouraged to participate and put into practice what you learned. We will race some short races then raft up when we all get hungry. Each participant please bring extra fenders for the raft-up. Also, each participant and crew, please bring your own lunch. If the day is too hot to raft-up (like last year), then we will head to the shade of the marina deck to enjoy lunch.

- 2. SITE**--The race will be held on J. Percy Priest Lake in Nashville, Tennessee. Land based activities will be held on the deck at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina.

3. RULES

3.1 The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) except for the anticipated changes noted in this section.

3.2 Competitors may receive outside help in the form of coaching during racing. This changes RRS 41.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1. The race will be open to all cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered. Participants may enter the race by registering online, or by registering on the day of the race at the final registration table in the Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina building. We encourage all participants to register in advance online to help us plan for the race.

4.2. A Waiver and Release of Liability and Emergency Contact form signed by the owner/skipper and each crew member must be submitted at final registration. No boat will be fully registered without

submitting this completed form. In the event of a crew member substitution during the race, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Race Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.

5. CLASSES

5.1. The following classes are anticipated for this event:

First Time Racers	All boats of first time racers are welcome.
Bee Fleet	PPYC's Bee Fleet is made up of boats whose Class is designated as NS-B in our Portsmouth ratings list.
All boats are encouraged to participate	If you are a regular racer, please join in and consider bringing people "new to sailing" or "new to racing" with you.

5.2. There are no separate one-design classes for this race.

5.3. The Race Committee may combine, split or assign boats to classes at its sole discretion.

6. **FEES**-- The race entry fees are as follows:

Online Registration Fee:	\$0.00
Final Registration Fee: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., Saturday, April 15, 2017	\$0.00
Meal: There will be no food provided for this race. Please eat some breakfast before coming out and pack a picnic lunch for the raft up. Skippers, please make sure all your crew know the food arrangements.	\$0.00 per person

7. SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 16, 2018	
0830-0930	Final Registration, turn in Waiver and Release & Emergency Contact Information form Pay Registration Fees (if not already paid online) IMPORTANT--Final Registration ends at 0930 sharp!
1000	Skippers Meeting
1100	Warning Signal for Race
1300	No new races started after 1300
After Race	Raft up for picnic lunches or picnic on the deck. The race committee will make the call on the water which one we do.

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**--The Sailing Instructions will be available at final registration. A draft of the sailing instructions may be available for review on the PPYC web site. Sailing instructions on the PPYC web site are for information purposes only and are subject to change prior to the race. Only sailing instructions distributed during final registration are valid.

9. RACING

- 9.1 The race will consist of as many as three races for distance courses and six races for buoy courses.
- 9.2 Races will start in the area near the Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina cove. The start will be a traditional race start using the system described in RRS 26.
- 9.3 Competitors may receive outside help in the form of coaching during racing. This changes RRS 41.
- 9.4 One race will constitute a series. No races will be started in less than three (3) knots of sustained wind as determined by the race committee.

10. COURSES - Course descriptions and diagrams will be posted on the official notice board or attached to the Sailing Instructions as an addendum.

11. SCORING—Traditional handicap scoring will not be used.

12. LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING--Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina free of charge. A ramp is available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, COURTESY BROADCASTS & RECALLS

- 13.1. **All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a VHF radio and monitor it during the race.**
- 13.2. The race committee may make periodic courtesy broadcasts by VHF radio on Channel 68. Information reported is provided as a courtesy to the competitors and does not in any way alter the competitor’s responsibility to observe the race committee’s visual signals. Errors or omissions during these courtesy broadcasts will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 13.3. When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee may at its discretion attempt to hail the sail numbers of the recalled boats. The hail may be by VHF radio on Channel 68, or by loud hailer or bullhorn. Such a hail is a courtesy hail only. Failure of the race committee to hail, failure of a boat to hear the hail for any reason, or the method, order or timing of the hail will not relieve the boat of its obligation to start correctly and will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a).

14. Non-Traditional Prizes will be awarded for all classes. They will not follow the traditional 1st, 2nd, 3rd places.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER--Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Percy Priest Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race. Competitors agree that the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the race, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.

16. INSURANCE--Each participating boat shall be insured--by its owner with valid third-party liability insurance.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION--For further information please contact:

Director of Racing	Fred Bartrom	(615) 554-7236
PRO	Bob Keim	

Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina	(615) 862-8472
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Email links to race contacts are available on the PPYC website.

- 18. DIRECTIONS**--On I-40, east of Nashville, exit at Stewarts Ferry Pike / J. Percy Priest Dam (Exit 219). Go south for approximately 3.4 miles. Turn left into Hamilton Creek Park. Turn left at the first road on the left into the sailboat marina. A map and driving directions are on the PPYC web site.