

2023 Millard Series
Bristol Yacht Club
In Honor of Robert B. Millard Sr.

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS)
- 1.2 Class rules of any one-design classes racing as such shall apply

2 Sailing Instructions (SI's)

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions shall be available no later than May 10, 2023 on the Bristol Yacht Club website at www.bristolyc.com

3 Communications

- 3.1 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16, 68 and 71.
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF Radio channel 71.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with valid, Published 2023 PHRF-NB Rating Certificate which can be attained at www.phrf-nb.com and in accordance with PHRF-NB Regulations.
- 4.2 One-design classes, requiring 5 or more boats entered, may enter without a PHRF Certificate.
- 4.3 J/22's chartered from Bristol Yacht Club or EBSF do not require a PHRF Certificate as it will carry an assumed standard rating (this modifies RRS 78.1).
- 4.4 Boats not meeting the documentation or configuration requirements of above rules 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 will not be scored.
- 4.5 Multiple Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker classes will be determined by the Race Committee and finalized after the pre-season Skipper's meeting.
- 4.6 A boat may change from a Spinnaker to a non-spinnaker class, or vice-versa only once during the season upon written request to the Race Committee
- 4.7 This is an invitational event and advertising is restricted as follows: strict compliance with WS Reg. 20 (Advertising Code) is required.
- 4.8 Racers may register online by connecting to the link on the BYC Racing Website, or to Yachtscore at <https://yachtscore.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15680>, or by mailing entry form, payment and PHRF rating certificate to: Race Chair, Bristol Yacht Club, PO Box 180, Bristol RI 02809.
- 4.9 Registration will not be complete until a current, valid PHRF certificate has been produced.

5 Fees

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$85.00 for members of Bristol Yacht Club.
- 5.2 For competitors who are not members of Bristol Yacht Club, the fee is \$170.00 for the first year then \$255.00 for each subsequent year.
- 5.3 Entries received after the registration deadline will incur a \$35.00 late fee.

6 Schedule

- 6.1 The registration deadline is May 17, 2023.
- 6.2 A Skipper's meeting will be held at the yacht club on May 17, 2023 at 18:30
- 6.3 A Practice Race will be run on May 24, 2023
- 6.4 The Bristol Yacht Club Millard Series will consist of 12 races starting in Bristol Harbor on Wednesday evenings beginning May 31, 2023. The first Warning Gun will be at 17:55 for all races. There will be one race each Wednesday.
- 6.5 There will be no race on July 5, 2023 due to the Independence Day Holiday.
- 6.6 There will be no race on July 26, 2023 due to the MOHOSA Race which is not part of this series.

- 6.7 The first warning gun at for all race dates will be at 17:55
- 6.8 The last race of the series is scheduled for August 30, 2023.
- 6.9 A fun race is scheduled for September 6 which will not count for the series. However, if any of the racing classes miss a scheduled race during the season, this date will be used as a make-up race for the effected class(s).

7 **Courses**

- 7.1 Information including the racing area, marks, and courses will be made available as an Attachment 1 to the SI's and distributed when the SI's are made available.

8 **Scoring**

- 8.1 Individual races shall be scored using a Time-on-Time system utilizing each boat's 2023 PHRF-NB handicap rating.
- 8.2 One design classes will be scored on a first to finish basis.

9 **Risk Statement**

- 9.1 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. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

10 **Insurance**

- 10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

11 **Prizes**

- 11.1 Weekly and Series trophies will be awarded for each class.
- 11.2 The Millard Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest scoring average from all classes with five or more qualifying competitors in the class.

- 12 For further information please contact Mark Rotsky at 508-245-1192 or rotskybyc@gmail.com