

# 2023 Magothy River Hallie Rice Fall Series

Sundays: September 24<sup>th</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 8<sup>th</sup>

## ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES

Magothy River Sailing Association, Inc. • Potapskut Sailing Association  
Gibson Island Yacht Club • Yacht Club of Cape Saint Claire

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 as published with the current amendments and associated prescriptions of the US Sailing Association.
- 1.2 PHRF of the Chesapeake and Chesapeake Multihull Association (CMA) rules will apply except as modified in the Sailing Instructions.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. All boats owners must be members in good standing of at least one of the following clubs: Magothy River Sailing Association (MRSA), Potapskut Sailing Association (PSA), Gibson Island Yacht Squadron (GIYS), Yacht Club of Cape St. Claire (YCCSC), or invited guests.
- 2.2. A current and valid PHRF certificate or CMA rating must be available prior to the first race of the series unless arrangements have been made with the Race Committee Chair prior to competing in any race.
- 2.3. Registration, for those not entered in the Wednesday Night Racing, and payment is available Online or by Mail:
  - 2.3.1. Mail Entry form and check to: John Nicholson, 183 Doncaster Rd, Arnold, MD 21012
  - 2.3.2. Online Entry at: [www.magothysailing.org](http://www.magothysailing.org)

### 3. FEES

Entry Fee: Free, for those that paid the \$125 MRSA Wednesday Night Race Entry fee, otherwise \$20.

### 4. RACE COMMITTEE

Annual Race Committee duty is required for all participants, if you haven't signed up for Wednesday Night Race Committee this is a good opportunity to fulfill your commitment. Sailors new to Race Committee Duties should contact the Race Committee Chair for training and support.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. The event will consist of three days of racing:
  - 5.1.1. Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>
  - 5.1.2. Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>
  - 5.1.3. Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>
- 5.2. Rendezvous is at 12:30 hours in the vicinity of Magothy River Mark "A". The approximate time of the attention signal for racing is 13:00.

### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located electronically at [www.magothysailing.org](http://www.magothysailing.org) and emailed to registered skippers no later than 2000 hours on **Monday, September 18, 2023**.

## **7. VENUE**

The racing area shall be the Magothy River and the Chesapeake Bay from the mouth of the Magothy River to Baltimore Light.

## **8. COURSES**

Competitors will sail courses which shall be designated by letters and numbers displayed on the Race Committee boat and as described in the Sailing Instructions. It is anticipated that courses will include windward / leeward or distance races.

## **9. CLASS SPLITS**

- 9.1.** It is anticipated that we will offer starts in the following classes which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions: Double Handed (Non-Spinnaker), Spinnaker, Multihull, and Non-Spinnaker.
- 9.2.** Starts for individual classes may be combined due to insufficient number of entries. Competitors will be either notified in prior to racing for that day or on the water by the Race Committee boat.
- 9.3.** At the discretion of the Rear Commodore, groups of boats with at least three paid entries may be scored as a sub-class or offered a separate start.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply, as further specified in the Sailing Instructions.

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1.** RRS Appendix A4, the Low Point System, will apply.
- 11.2.** A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. One race will need to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3.** Corrected times for all classes will be calculated using Time-on-Time scoring.

## **12. SAFETY**

- 12.1.** All boats shall comply with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Nearshore races except as modified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 12.2.** GALE WARNING - If at 1000 on any race day, a gale warning is in effect for the scheduled day and time of the race, the race will be abandoned.

## **13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts on VHF radio channel 72.

## **14. AWARDS**

Awards will be based on the number of boats competing for each series. Details about awards, including any special awards, will be announced in the Sailing Instructions.

## **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 15.1.** Competitors participate at their own risk.
- 15.2.** RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained prior to, during or after the event.

## **16. INFORMATION**

For more information, contact John Nicholson at [race\\_committee@magothysailing.org](mailto:race_committee@magothysailing.org) or call at 410-241-6927.