



2024 US ALBACORE ASSOCIATION

United States Nationals

October 12-14, 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: UNITED STATES ALBACORE ASSOCIATION

CLUB/HOST ORGANIZATION: Rock Hall Yacht Club
Rock Hall, Maryland

OFFICIAL WEBSITES: [Rock Hall Yacht Club](#)

NOTICE OF REGATTA

1. Rules: This regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, and the rules of the United States Albacore Association, except as any of these are altered by this notice, and by the sailing instructions.

2. Eligibility and Entry: All boats must be helmed by a full or associate member of the United States Albacore Association or any other national Albacore Association.

3. Number and Schedule of Races: Several races may be sailed on any day at the discretion of the race committee (no upper limit). The warning signal for the first race each day scheduled as indicated below:

Sat. Oct. 12 1030 hrs. Skippers Meeting
 1200 hrs. Warning Signal for Race 1, other races to follow

Sun. Oct. 13 1000 hrs. Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Mon. Oct. 14 1000 hrs. Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Awards immediately following racing on Monday. No races will be started after 1300 on Monday Oct 14.

4. Social and Registration Schedule

Fri. Oct. 11 1800 – 2000 hrs. Check-in, Late Registration, and Measurements (Excluding those with Measurements from the 2024 Albacore International Championships) at RHYC

Sat. Oct. 12 0830 – 1000 hrs. Check-in, Late Registration, and Measurements at RHYC

Sat. Oct. 12 1800 hrs. Italian Dinner Social and Annual General Meeting in the restaurant. Cash bar. Tickets for all registered participants included in the Registration. Extra tickets for guests required at check in (\$30.00).

Sun. Oct. 13 1800 – Pizza Dinner Social for all registered participants. Tickets for registered participants included in Registration. Cash bar. Extra tickets for guests required (\$15.00).

5. Launching: RHYC has a crane hoist (lifting harnesses are not provided) and a launch ramp for trailers. The RHYC sandy beach may be used for launching by dolly.

6. Advance Registration: Sailors should register in advance at <https://rockhallyachtclub.org/register/regatta/CQ9aMeQZTG/class>

7. Fees (US Dollars): \$220.00 Regatta Registration Fee (includes dinner for skipper and crew on Saturday and Sunday)

\$20.00 Late fee for registrations not made by Sep. 30 at 11:59pm

\$30.00 Extra dinner for Saturday, Oct 12

\$15.00 Extra dinner Sunday Oct. 13. Dinner ticket orders must accompany registration.

8. Measurement: All boats must be accompanied by a valid measurement certificate with a current buoyancy endorsement. All boats must comply with the rules and regulations for this event.

No provision will be made for issuing new measurement certificates or endorsements at the regatta.

All measurements must be completed in advance of the event.

9. Safety Equipment: Each boat must carry safety equipment according to US Coast Guard Regulations (1 PFD per person, sound signal, paddle, bailer).

In addition, each boat must carry on board during the regatta a line, suitable for towing, at least 1/4" x 30 feet in length.

10. Sailing Instructions: Sailing instructions will be available at the check-in/late registration table and may be posted online on the Regatta Network website. SIs will govern in case of any inconsistency with this NOR.

11. Scoring: The low point system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. Completion of at least one race shall constitute a series.

One race will be dropped if 6 or more races are sailed.

12. Crew Changes: Crew changes during an event may not be made unless permission is granted by the organizing committee in advance.

13. Awards: There will be awards for the Presidents Fleet and the Challenger Fleet

- Presidents Trophy – Winner of the Presidents Fleet
- Bob Harwood Challenge Trophy – Winner of the Challenger Fleet
- Roger Thomas Senior Trophy – Top boat with combined crew age > 110 years
- Bill Shore Trophy – Top woman helm
- Lockley-Newport Trophy – Top helm 19 years or under as of Dec. 31, 2024
- Endurance Award – Lowest placing boat that starts every race in the Presidents Fleet

Additional awards will be given for the top three finishers overall.

14. Accommodations:

Camping (Tent/RV camping is \$17 per night, 110 electrical is an additional \$12 per night)

Please see RHYC Manager for designated camping areas. Bathrooms with showers are available 24/7.

15. Further Information: visit <https://albacoresailing.com/> OR <https://rockhallyachtclub.org>
OR contact Regatta Chair Tyler Phillips by phone at 919-656-7490 or email at tphil89@gmail.com