

# NEW ENGLAND BEETLE CAT BOAT ASSOCIATION

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## NOTICE OF REGATTA

### LEO J. TELESMANICK CHAMPIONSHIP

**Saturday & Sunday, August 15 & 16, 2026**

**Barnstable Yacht Club, Beale Way - Barnstable, MA**

#### **1. RULES**

The 2026 Leo J Telesmanick Championship will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028* and the New England Beetle Cat Boat Association Class regulations.

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**2.1** The regatta is open to all boats complying with the current NEBCBA class regulations.

**2.2** The skipper shall be a member of NEBCBA. Membership can be paid prior to the race start at check-in or on the NEBCBA website.

**2.3** Eligible boats please register and submit required regatta fee online by visiting <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/NdMP6zCuoK/class>

#### **3. FEES**

Regatta Entry \$75.00 per boat, includes lunch.

NEBCBA Dinner at the club Saturday is an additional \$35.00 per person.

If you would like to just attend the dinner, please sign up here:

<https://theclubspot.com/shop/regatta/NdMP6zCuoK>

#### **4. SCHEDULE**

Friday, August 14

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| High Tide      | 1:21pm           |
| Early Check In | 2:00pm to 5:00pm |

Saturday, August 15

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| Check In              | 9:00am  |
| Harbor Start          | 11:00am |
| First Signal          | 11:30am |
| High Tide             | 2:09pm  |
| Last race no later    | 4:30pm  |
| NEBCBA Annual Meeting | 6:00pm  |
| followed by Dinner    |         |

Sunday, August 16

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| Harbor Start               | 11:30am |
| First Signal               | Noon    |
| Last race no later         | 2:30pm  |
| High Tide                  | 2:54pm  |
| Awards following last race |         |

## **5. LOGISTICS**

Boats can arrive either Friday afternoon or Saturday morning before racing. Boats can either be launched at the BYC or down the road at the Millway Marina launch ramp. Towing can be provided from Millway to the BYC if needed. Moorings will be provided at the BYC.

Trailers can be parked in the field located down the short driveway on the right side of the road right before entering the BYC parking lot. There will be signs. Cars can also be parked in the field.

Please contact Mariel Marchand at [Mariel.marchand@gmail.com](mailto:Mariel.marchand@gmail.com) or 774-212-0406 for help with logistics.

## **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Will be available on Clubspot and at check in.

## **7. VENUE**

Unless advised otherwise by the Race Committee in accordance with the Sailing Instructions, course circle will be in Barnstable Harbor off the Barnstable Yacht Club Pier.

## **8. THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be communicated as detailed in the Sailing Instructions. Depending on wind direction, courses may be triangles or windward-leeward. The race committee may employ an offset mark to windward and a gate to leeward. Courses will be and posted on the course.

## **9. PENALTY SYSTEM**

One turn (a 360°) is required after a foul or after hitting a mark.

## **10. SCORING**

The low point scoring system, Appendix A2 of the RRS will apply, except that one race will be dropped if at least six races are sailed. One race is required to constitute a series.

## **11. 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 telephones. A radio or mobile telephone of any type is encouraged to be carried for use, in an emergency. The Race Committee will be monitoring a VHF channel for safety and race operations only.

## **12. PRIZES**

The Leo J. Telesmanick trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the two-day championship event. Keeper trophies to the top three skippers in the Overall, Junior (18 & under), Men's, Women's, Old Salts (50-69), and Ancient Mariner (70 & over) Divisions.

## **13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Barnstable Yacht Club nor the New England Beetle Cat Boat Association will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after these races.

#### **14. SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

In accordance with Federal and State law, a USCG approved Type I, II, or III PFD for each person shall be aboard while on the water and shall be worn as required by law or NEBCBA Regulations, or the direction of the Race Committee. It is also recommended that a SOLAS (Safety of Life at Sea) rescue whistle be attached to the PFD.

#### **15. SAIL NUMBERS**

Please be advised that the Sailing Instructions will require that all participants have a sail number. Your fleet assigned sail number should be adequate if it includes your NEBCBA fleet letter and a number. Any duplicate numbers will need to be temporarily altered for this regatta.

#### **16. DINNER AND NEBCBA ANNUAL MEETING**

The NEBCBA Annual Meeting starting at 6:00pm on August 15 will be followed by a wood fired pizza dinner. All friends of the Beetle Cat are welcome. Dinner registration can be made when you register or at check-in.

#### **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact Mariel Marchand, event chairperson by email:  
Mariel.marchand@gmail.com

**Please note: The Barnstable Yacht Club does not have a telephone and does not permit cellular phone use on the club grounds. Visitors are encouraged to respect the host club's policies and regulations.**

