

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

## 2024 Annual Summer One-Design Regatta Including Windmill Mid-Atlantic District Regatta Fireball National Championships

June 15th and 16th, 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY &
HOST ORGANIZATION:
OFFICAL WEBSITE:

ROCK HALL YACHT CLUB 22759 McKinleyville Road Rock Hall, Maryland 21661

www.rockhallyachtclub.org

The Rock Hall Yacht Club will host the 2024 Summer One-Design Regatta as a two-day event on Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup>, following Friday's Annual Down River Race. The One-Design Regatta is the cornerstone of the summer for the RHYC, so we are excited to continue the tradition, while providing a safe and fun regatta experience for our racers and volunteers!

The Rock Hall Yacht Club is located at the confluence of Lankford Creek and the Chester River, on the Chesapeake Bay's picturesque Eastern Shore. This stretch of the beautiful Chester River is a great place to sail One-Design boats since there is a lot of open water, limited powerboat traffic, easy beach and lift launching and plenty of grass on which to park and rig. The members of RHYC welcome you and appreciate your attendance at our regatta. Be safe and have fun.

- 1.) **Racing Rules:** This regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the respective class association rules, except as any of these rules are changed by the SIs or any appendices to the SI. This regatta is designated **Category A** in accordance with RRS Appendix J1.2(2), ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.) Eligibility: There will be starts for each one-design class if 5 or more boats are registered (including):
  - Windmill
  - Fireball
  - Wayfarer
  - Comet
  - A Cat
  - Hobie
  - Hampton One Design
  - Laser/Radial
  - Albacore
  - Open Monohull Class for the C. Doune Greene Memorial Trophy
  - If there are fewer than five boats in a class, the RC may combine starts with similar speed and size classes.
  - No-show classes will be eliminated from the starting lineup.

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3.) **Schedule of Events:** Several races may be sailed on each day at the discretion of the RC.

Fri. June 14	1900 - 2000	Competitor check-in, RHYC bar open	
Sat. June 15	0800 - 0900	Competitor check-in, continental breakfast	
	0930	Skippers Meeting	
	1100	First Warning Signal, up to 5 races per class to follow, conditions	
		permitting, and at RC discretion.	
		After racing on Saturday there will be refreshments in the pavilion	
	1830	Dinner (for those who pre-purchased)	
Sun. June 16	0800 - 0900	Continental breakfast for competitors	
	1000	First Warning Signal, up to 4 races per class to follow, conditions	
		permitting, and at RC discretion.	
	1400	No races will start after 1400 on Sunday	
	Awards to follow ASAP after scoring is completed on Sunday.		

The RHYC Log Canoe Lounge will be open for food and beverages all day on Saturday and until 6pm on Sunday for competitors and their families. Social distancing and masking must be practiced if required by State of Maryland and/or club policy during the regatta dates.

4.) **Registration and Fees:** Eligible participants **MUST** pre-register for the Regatta at the RHYC website at <a href="https://rockhallyachtclub.org">www.rockhallyachtclub.org</a> by following the link to "Regattas" and online registration, or at <a href="https://rockhallyachtclub.org/register/regatta/KD1bWuXDJK/class">https://rockhallyachtclub.org/register/regatta/KD1bWuXDJK/class</a>. This online registration service is provided by TheClubspot. No on-line registrations will be accepted after 2200 on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

All registrants must check-in at the Pavilion/Clubhouse on Saturday morning.

The fees for this Regatta are:

	Online Registration
Boat	Fee
Single-handed	\$70.00
Double-handed	\$90.00
Junior	\$60 Double / \$30 Single

Fees include continental breakfast each morning for each competitor, awards as earned, and use of the RHYC grounds, bath house and Pavilion for the weekend. This is a bring your own water bottle event.

Saturday Dinner: \$30.00 per person (includes tax and gratuity), \$16.00 for kids 12 and under (includes tax and gratuity). Buffet Menu: Will likely be Italian Pasta Buffet, including salad, bread, and dessert. Vegetarian/Vegan meal is available on request.

Lunches: \$10.00 per person per day (includes tax).

**Camping:** There is plenty of land to camp and the RHYC bathhouses are open 24 hours. Tent camping is \$17/night, and an additional \$12/night for campers/RVs requiring electrical hookup (110 service only).

Dinner, Lunch and Camping must be ordered in advance on the Clubspot site. You will find the ticket selections on the screen just prior to final checkout/payment.

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- 5.) **Sailing Instructions:** The SI will be online at <a href="www.rockhallyachtclub.org">www.rockhallyachtclub.org</a>. **Notices and Changes** to the SIs will be announced at the online Skippers Meeting and posted at the Beach.
- 6.) **Scoring:** The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A2 of the RRS will apply except as modified by the following: a minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
  - A. Windmill Class: if five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her (1) one worst race score. (WCA By-Law XIII. 14.G.1)
  - B. **Fireball Class**: if five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her (1) one worst race score.
  - C. **Other Classes**: if five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her (1) one worst race score.
- 7.) Awards: Trophies will be awarded for all classes, as well as for the Down River Race, on Sunday afternoon as soon as scoring is complete. Trophy places per class will be determined based on numbers registered for each class one week prior to the event. The organizing authority will review the registered competitors in each class and make a determination on the final trophy order. General guidelines are as follows: 3 boats, one place awarded. 5 boats, two places awarded. 7+ boats, three places awarded.
- 8.) Facilities: Launching facilities include ramp, hoist and beach launching; a nearby public ramp also allows water access for trailered boats. The RHYC grounds are free of all overhead wires. A portapot and handwashing station is available at the Beach, and the RHYC bathhouses are open 24 hours.
- 9.) **Hotels:** You can find a hotel or B&B in the area at <u>www.rockhallmd.com</u> or <u>www.chestertown.com</u>.
- 10.) **Directions:** Directions to the RHYC are available online at: http://rockhallyachtclub.org/contact/
- 11.) **Risk:** All competitors are ultimately responsible for the inherent risks associated with sailboat racing. It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. Each competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on- shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

For further information contact: regattas@rockhallyachtclub.org or Todd Steffes at 610-306-0026.

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