



Barrington Yacht Club

Pret Gladding Memorial Race
Saturday, May 30, 2026

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Barrington Yacht Club invites you to participate in the 34th Annual Pret Gladding Memorial Race for non-spinnaker and spinnaker PHRF class boats.

This is an “around-the-island” pursuit race with starts staggered according to the PHRF rating. Crews consisting of family and friends are strongly encouraged.

Notice of Race (NOR)

The notation “[NP],” as it appears in a rule of the sailing instructions, means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1. RULES

- a) The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- b) [NP] All boats shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER). Requirements can be downloaded at <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Monohull-SER-2022.0-Nearshore.pdf>.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available by May 1st and will be posted on the event page on the BYC website (<https://barringtonyc.com/race>) and also on CLUBSPOT ([racing.theclubspot.com](https://www.clubspot.com)).

3. COMMUNICATION

- a) The official online notice board is located on the event page accessible at <https://barringtonyc.com/race>.
- b) [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 72, 16 & 13.
- c) On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 72.
- d) All competitors are expected to maintain an active listening watch on VHF channel 72.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- a) The event is open to all monohull Spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats with valid 2026 PHRF-NB certificates.
- b) Boats shall compete in one of the following classes:
 1. Non-spinnaker Class – boats racing without the use of spinnakers
 2. Spinnaker Class – boats racing with spinnakers
- c) Boats shall race in accordance with their declared sail configuration and the corresponding 2026 PHRF rating. A boat's declared class shall not be changed after registration closes.
- d) Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form (link to registration on BYC website: <https://barringtonyc.com/race>) on CLUBSPOT (racing.theclubspot.com) and submitting it, together with all required fees, by May 28th.
- e) Late entries will be accepted at the sole discretion of the race committee and require payment of applicable late fees.

5. FEES

Race registration fee: \$30.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- a) The starting sequence will be as follows:
 - Warning signal for all starts: 11:55 (class flag up, with sound)
 - Prep signal for all starts: 11:56 (P flag up, with sound)
 - One-minute warning: 11:59 (P flag down, with sound)
 - First start: noon (class flag down, with sound)
 - Subsequent starts: one-minute intervals (class flag down, with sound)
- b) The starting time for each yacht is as designated in the time schedule for PHRF ratings, as contained in Appendix A of the Sailing Instructions.
- c) Each subsequent start signal will be raised 30 seconds before the next signal (without sound) d) This schedule modifies RRS 26. Starts will be conducted as a continuous pursuit sequence in accordance with Section STARTS below.

7. RACING AREA

- a) The event host is the Barrington Yacht Club.
- b) The racing area is the waters around Prudence Island.
- c) The start/finish shall be at Ohio Ledge
- d) The standard course shall be around Prudence Island. Marks shall be called out in the Sailing instructions.
- e) The short Courses shall be called out in the Sailing instructions.

8. COURSES

- a) The race will be sailed on one of the courses described below, as selected by the Race Committee based on prevailing conditions.
 - Course A – Around Prudence Island, clockwise
 - Course B – Around Prudence Island, counter-clockwise
 - Course C, D, E, F – Short courses, to be determined.

- b) Detailed course descriptions, including mark rounding requirements and approximate course lengths, will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.
- c) Only one course will be sailed for the event.

9. COURSE SELECTION

- a) The course to be sailed will be selected by the Race Committee and designated prior to the first start by one or more of the following methods:
 - 1. Display of a course letter on the signal vessel
 - 2. Announcement on VHF channel 72
- b) The selected course will apply to all classes.

10. STARTS

- a) The race will be conducted as a pursuit start, with start times assigned based on PHRF ratings and the selected class.
- b) Starts will be conducted as a continuous pursuit sequence. Boats from different classes may start interspersed based on their assigned start times.
- c) Start times are calculated based on PHRF ratings and course distance and will be published in the Sailing Instructions. For race management purposes, start times may be rounded to the nearest minute.
- d) This modifies RRS 26.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V1 and V2 apply.

12. SCORING

- a) Each boat shall be scored in the position she finishes.
- b) [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

13. AWARDS

Awards will be given by the race committee at Barrington Yacht Club for the top three finishers in each class.

14. RISK STATEMENTS

- a) 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.
- b) The race area utilizes navigable waters shared by commercial traffic and other stakeholders.
- c) Boats shall comply with the COLREGS when encountering commercial traffic and vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver.
- d) A boat that interferes with commercial traffic or causes a commercial vessel to sound a danger signal (five or more short blasts) may be protested by the Race Committee.