

2026 ABYC Club Racing - Notice of Race

This Notice of Race does not apply to the ABYC Open Regatta and the Donald D. Summerville Memorial Race.

1 Rules

- 1.1 All club races will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing, 2025-28.
- 1.2 Sail Canada prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T will apply
- 1.4 PHRF-LO rules will apply.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The races are open to all boats of the fleets of Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club and Toronto Hydroplane and Sailing Club.
- 2.2 Eligible keelboats may register on Clubspot via the link on the racing page at abyc.ca. Boats are requested to register at the beginning of the season for all races and series in which they may wish to compete. Dinghies may register by contacting the dinghy fleet captain.
- 2.3 Keelboats are expected to register no later than May 10, for Series A, B, C and D (Weeknight Series). Registration up to this date is used to determine the season division splits. Registrations will be accepted after this date with a penalty of a \$30 donation to the Corinthian Fund (windathletes.ca).
- 2.4 Online registrations for the George Coyles Tune-Up Race, the Paul McDonald Race, and the Archie Walker Race will be accepted no later than 1700 the day before the race. Earlier registration is strongly requested to facilitate scoring for the race. Boats that have not registered online may register by completing the registration form and waiver (available from the race committee) at the competitors meeting..
- 2.5 All keelboats participating in weeknight racing shall have a PHRF-LO certificate. PHRF Measurement evening will be held Tuesday, May 5. Boats for which a PHRF application with fee has been submitted to the PHRF Handicapper by this date will be deemed to have met this requirement.
- 2.6 ABYC requires skippers to be responsible for concussion awareness and removal-from-sport procedures under Rowan's Law for their crew. By registering for ABYC club racing you, as skipper, agree to accept that responsibility and to comply with ABYC procedures which may be found on the racing page on the ABYC website. If you will not be skipper (the person in charge or PIC) on your boat for the race, you must ensure that your appointed PIC will comply with these procedures on your behalf.

3 Fees

- 3.1 There is no fee for entering any of the ABYC Races with the exception of the ABYC Open Regatta.

4 Schedule

- 4.1 There will be four Tuesday and Thursday evening series (A,B,C, and D) from May 12 to September 3 and two Wednesday evening series for dinghies (1 and 2) between June 3 and September 2. The dates of individual races are on the *Events* book calendar.
- 4.2 There will be an Offshore Series consisting of five race events: George Coyles Tune-Up Saturday May 16, the ABYC Regatta Coastal Race Sunday May 24, the Paul McDonald Race Saturday June 20, the Donald D. Summerville Memorial Race Saturday September 19 and the Archie Walker Race Saturday October 3.

Some of these races will be run with boats from THSC and RC duties will be shared with THSC.

- 4.3 For Series A, B, C and D, the warning signal for the first start will be given at 1830.
- 4.4 . For Dinghy Series 1 and 2, a maximum of four races is scheduled per evening. The first warning signal will be made at 1845.
- 4.5 The Hansen Dinghy Races are scheduled to be held Saturday, August 29.
- 4.6 The competitors meetings for the George Coyles Tune-Up Race, the Paul McDonald Race, and the Archie Walker Race will be held at 1100. The first Warning Signal will be made at 1200.

5 Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 The sailing instructions appear in later pages of the *Events* book.

6 Venue

- 6.1 Racing for Series A, B, C and D will be on the ABYC fixed mark course described in Addendum C.
- 6.2 The racing area for Dinghy Series 1 and 2 and the Hansen Dinghy Races will be off the entrance of the Ashbridge's Bay outer harbour.
- 6.3 The racing area for the Offshore Series races will be on the nearby north shore waters of Lake Ontario. The start and finish will be in the fixed mark area described in Addendum C.

7 Scoring

- 7.1 RRS A5.3 shall apply. Only boats that have come to the starting area for at least one race will be counted as entries for that series. This changes RRS A2.2 and A5.3.
- 7.2 For Series: A, B, C and D, 3 races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 7.3 For Dinghy Series 1 and 2, a minimum of six (6) races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 7.4 For the Offshore Series, a minimum of 3 races must be completed to constitute a series. Boats competing in one-design divisions at the ABYC Open Regatta will have their overall results from Sunday races used for the purpose of offshore series scoring.
- 7.5 Boats will be scored in one division only in each series. A boat may request to move to a different division only once after a series has started. She shall be scored DNC for all races sailed in her former division, and the results for the remaining boats shall be recalculated. A tax deductible donation of \$50 to the Corinthian fund, (windathletes.ca) will be required unless the move to another division is requested by the Sailing Committee due to a lack of competitors.
- 7.6 A boat that has ranked as a starter in at least one race will be scored for the series.
- 7.7 For Series A, B, C and D, when fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When more than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 7.8 Scoring for the Season's Championship trophies can be found in Addendum A. Scoring for the John Payne Memorial and Elizabeth Kimball trophies can be found in Addendum B.

8 Prizes

- 8.1 Prizes will be given as per the Sailing Instructions and as defined in the of the Awards section of this *Events* book.

9 Disclaimer of Liability

- 9.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any club racing.

10 Insurance

- 10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance including race coverage. The amount of coverage shall be at least that required by ABYC or TH&SC policy.