



Barrington Yacht Club

Bud Humphrey Memorial Race

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Event Chair: Bob Manchester

Race Committee Chair: Kristen Kreuzkamp (racing@barringtonyc.com)

Barrington Yacht Club invites you to participate in the 48th Annual Bud Humphrey Memorial Race for cruising class boats.

This is an "around the island" pursuit race with starts staggered, according to 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

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS).
- 1.2. [NP] All boats shall 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/2025/12/US-SER-2025.2-Nearshore-Mono.pdf>.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing instructions will be available by October 1st and will be posted on the event page linked to from the BYC website (<https://barringtonyc.com/race>) and also on CLUBSPOT (racing.theclubspot.com).

3. COMMUNICATION

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

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all monohull non-spinnaker boats with valid 2026 PHRF-NB certificates.
- (a) Only a single headsail, fully attached to the headstay, is allowed, except during the rapid change of headsails.
- (b) All spinnakers, bloopers, large roach headsails, tweeners, etc. are prohibited.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form on CLUBSPOT and submitting it, together with all required fees, by October 2nd at 5:00 p.m.
- 4.3. Late entries will be accepted at the sole discretion of the Race Committee and require payment of applicable late fees.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Race registration fee: \$30.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. 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)
- 6.2. 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.
- 6.3. Each subsequent start signal will be raised 30 seconds before the next signal (without sound).
- 6.4. This schedule modifies RRS 26. Starts will be conducted as a continuous pursuit sequence in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. The event host is the Barrington Yacht Club.
- 7.2. The racing area is the waters around Prudence Island.
- 7.3. The starting and finishing line will be located in the vicinity of Ohio Ledge as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.4. The standard course shall be around Prudence Island in a counterclockwise direction. Marks shall be designated in the Sailing Instructions.
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8. COURSES

- 8.1. The race will be sailed on one of the courses described in the Sailing Instructions and signaled by the Race Committee on the day of the race.
- Course A – Around Prudence Island, counterclockwise
 - Course B – Around Prudence Island, clockwise
 - Course C, D, E, F – Short courses, as detailed in the Sailing Instructions
- 8.2. 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:
- Display of a course letter on the signal vessel
 - Announcement on VHF channel 72
- 8.3. The selected course will apply to all classes.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. Appendix V, Rules V1 and V2, apply.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Each boat shall be scored in the position she finishes.
- 10.2. [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

11. AWARDS

- 11.1. Results will be posted by the Race Committee online through CLUBSPOT and at a reception at Barrington Yacht Club immediately following the race.
- 11.2. Awards will be presented by the Race Committee for the top three finishers at the Barrington Yacht Club on Saturday, November 7, 2026.

12. RISK STATEMENTS

- 12.1. 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.
- 12.2. The race area utilizes navigable waters shared by commercial traffic and other stakeholders.
- 12.3. The right of way of commercial traffic and other vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver is absolute.
- 12.4. [NP] 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.
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