

2026 Cruising Canvas Cup Series

Sunday July 12th, 2026



NOTICE OF RACE

Vice Commodore's Cup

This race is a qualifier for the 2026 Cruising Canvas Cup

The Officers of the Centerport Yacht Club and the CYC Race Committee invite all CYC members to participate in the 2026 Vice Commodore's Cup, the second race in the Cruising Canvas Cup series. The format provides for Cruising Canvas Jib & Main only (Non-Spinnaker) handicap racing. Winners will be announced at a BYOG (Bring Your Own Grillables) post-race party.

Eligibility:

The Cruising Canvas Cup is a 3 race series made up of 3 individual races and an overall winner, designed for the purpose of providing an opportunity for our cruising sailboats to spend the day on the water sailing in friendly competition. The race is open to all sailboats with a PHRF rating, or that are capable of being rated PHRF, and owned by a CYC member. Boats with a valid YRALIS PHRF rating certificate should submit it to the [Race Committee](#). Boats without a valid YRALIS PHRF rating certificate will be assigned a rating by the race committee based on an YRALIS base rating for a similar boat. This is a distance/navigator course and that rating will be used. Skippers are encouraged to invite new or inexperienced sailors to join them as crew.

The ***Melges 15 class*** is invited to enjoy the day and will be given starts after all PHRF boats have started.

There will be a \$25 entry fee charged to your account.

Rules:

The race shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. All boats with or without roller furling, rigged as they would be for cruising (anchor(s), dodger up, cockpit shade cover in place, etc.) and sailing with the vessel's standard sail plan headsail will be classified as "Cruising Canvas." All will sail with a Jib and Main (JAM) only. Melges15s shall be class rigged.

Format and Scoring:

The race will be run using a "Pursuit" format. The vessel with the highest handicap will start first at the time specified for the first start. Subsequent vessels start's will be staggered based on vessel handicaps, how much time is owed the first vessel based on a time-on-distance calculation. The low point scoring system will be used. Melges15s will be given 2 minute dinghy starts and windward/leeward course.

Starting Area and Time:

The starting area and finish will be in Northport Bay unless the course is shortened. The first warning signal will be at 11:00 hours. A need to move the starting area will be signaled from the race committee boat by displaying code flag "lima" (yellow and black checkerboard) and one sound signal, which means, "Come within hail or follow me."

Races and Qualification:

The **Cruising Canvas Cup** consists of a three (3) race series made up of the Rear Commodore's Cup, the Vice Commodore's Cup and the Commodore's Cup. Qualification for the Cruising Canvas Cup requires participation in two of the three races. One of the races must be the Commodore's Cup. Vessels participating in all three events may have one race dropped.

Sailing Instructions:

Will be available on the CYC website by 1700 hours on Wednesday July 8th. Scratch Sheets will be available on the CYC website by 1800 hours on Saturday, July 11th. A limited number of Sailing Instructions and Scratch Sheets may be available from the race committee boat on the day of the race.

Please use [Clubspot](#) to register.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By submission of the entry and participation in this event, the master and owner of each yacht acknowledges that the master is solely responsible for the safety of the yacht and its crew, and they further represent that the yacht and its equipment are in sound condition and all required safety equipment is aboard, accessible for use and in operable condition; that the decision to race, not to race or withdraw after starting is solely that of the master; and they further release the Centerport Yacht Club, their officers, directors, members, employees, agents, and all members of the Race Committee, whether members or not, from any and all liability or claims for personal injury or property damage resulting from participation in this event. Each skipper must make decisions appropriate for the conditions and the ability of his or her crew to handle them; the decision of any vessel to withdraw will be respected by the RC.