Notice of Series 2023 Wahine Sailing Series

1. ELIGIBILITY

- · All regattas in the 2023 Wahine Sailing Series are open to any wahine sailor.
- Skippers shall meet the wahine skipper requirements (below) to be eligible for the North Sails Wahine Skipper of the Year Trophy.

2. REGATTAS

- The 2023 Series is comprised of 8 regattas. Each regatta will consist of 3 races, unless noted otherwise in the regatta's NOR. Skippers shall register & compete in at least 9 races to be eligible for the Trophy.
- · Series Regatta Schedule: with PoC noted
 - Jan 21, 2023 UH Wahine FJs "Season Opener"

~ Maddy Kennedy & Taylor Ledgerwood

- Feb 26, 2023 KYC IRF Invitational ~ Leah Ford: BYOB*
- April 1, 2023 PHYC Lasers ~ Becky LaPolice & Tracey Thorstad BBI*
- May 7, 2023 HYC Sweetheart Big Boat Regatta ~ Anj Cheung & Melody Fernandez: BYOB*
- Jun 17, 2023 KYC Cal 20 Invitational ~ Leah Ford / Maddy Kennedy BBI*

Jul 22, 2023 - WYC Cal 20

- ~ Leslie Foster &
- Aug 12, 2023 PYC RS Quest

~ Becca Hoskins & Linda Ladeira

Oct 28, 2023 - Pau Big Boat ~ HYC (with WYC) BYOB*

4th race of the day - fun race for alternate helms-women, <u>not scored</u>: to be held at the end of each regatta based on determination of both race committee & skippers during skipper's meeting

- ~ PoC: noted are the tentative PoC for each regatta
- * BYOB/BBI

BYOB- Skippers bring/find their own boat with Insurance coverage. BBI - (Borrowed Boat Insurance) these regattas may require insurance deposits as part of boat use. NOR will state structure & amount.

PoC may be able to assist with connecting skippers to boat owners.

3. SKIPPER/CREW REQUIREMENTS

- The skipper (not crew) shall be a member in good standing of any HYRA member club in order to be eligible for the North Sails Wahine Skipper of the Year Trophy. A list of HYRA member clubs can be found at <u>www.hyra.us</u>.
- US Sailing membership is encouraged, but not required.
- For regattas on boats less than or equal to 20 feet in length, the skipper and crew shall be female only.
- For regattas on boats greater than 20 feet in length, your crew shall be at least 50% female, (rounded up for odd number crews). More females are preferred but not required. Females are expected to have key roles.
- A wahine must be at the helm at all times from the preparatory signal of a race until the boat has finished the race. No male is allowed to touch the helm during this period. If a male must touch the helm during this time (for example in an emergency situation), the boat shall retire from that race.
- If you have interest in an event, please utilize the Facebook group page to contact the regatta organizer and/or other participants.

4. REGISTRATION &FEES

- Please pre-register/communicate intent to sail for regattas on the Facebook page to assist the race organizers in their planning.
- \$5 will be added to the yacht club's regatta fees to cover series expenses.

5. SCORING

- The low point system of the Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix A, shall apply.
- A minimum of nine races is required to be eligible for the North Sails Wahine Skipper of the Year Trophy.
- Each race is scored individually.
- Once a skipper has raced 12 races or more, throw outs will be calculated on one third of the number of races completed by the skipper.
- DNC (Did not Compete) is scored per regatta, 2 places over number of boats entered in regatta.
- DSQ is scored per race, 1 place over the number of boats in that regatta.
- DNS/DNF is scored per race, the total number of boats in the regatta

6. TROPHIES

North Sails Wahine Skipper of the Year Trophy will be awarded at the HYRA Awards Banquet, scheduled for November 18, 2023

7. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Management of communications for logistics, event sign up/ information on regatta registration, and regatta recaps will be via the Wahine Sailing Series Facebook page. *HYRA.us* is an additional tool to help sailors be connected to the community. To receive HYRA updates, email <u>hyra.publicity@gmail.com</u>.

Anyone interested in getting involved in the Wahine Series Steering Committee is welcome to contact Leslie via: <u>newmamaleslief@gmail.com</u>, or your club's liaison (*PoC as noted above*).