## **Breaking Racing News**

May 12, 2023

On Sunday May 14<sup>th,</sup> our racing season begins with "Spring Fun and Practice Races."

Fun and practice racing will continue Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> as well as Sunday and Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

The harbor horn on Sunday will be at 1:30PM with the Division 1 start countdown to begin at 1:55PM and the start horn at 2PM.

The harbor horn on Wednesday will be at 6PM with the Division 1 countdown to begin at 6:25PM and the start horn at 6:30PM.

Sunday, plan on two or three races back-to-back. We will use the regular five-minute start sequence and boats will be divided into the usual Division 1 and Division 2.

Boats will all be timed and scored by the Portsmouth handicap system, but not counted for any of our series championships.

Sunday, at approximately 4PM, there will be an onshore debriefing question and answer session with light snacks. The club bell will be sounded to indicate it's time to gather at the picnic tables. Race results will be announced at that time and later be posted on the website.

If you are new to racing or would like to experience a race or two, now is the time.

Email me at <a href="mailto:race@sailsaratoga.org">race@sailsaratoga.org</a> and I'll search for an experienced racer who will be willing to bring you aboard as a crew, or perhaps crew for you on your boat.

The weather looks good. As of this writing, temperatures at race time are predicted to be in the high 60's, winds from the North 10-15 MPH, 1% chance of rain, and water temperature...cool.

Get your boat ready and join in!

Terry and Joanne Fraser, Flag Lieutenants Race