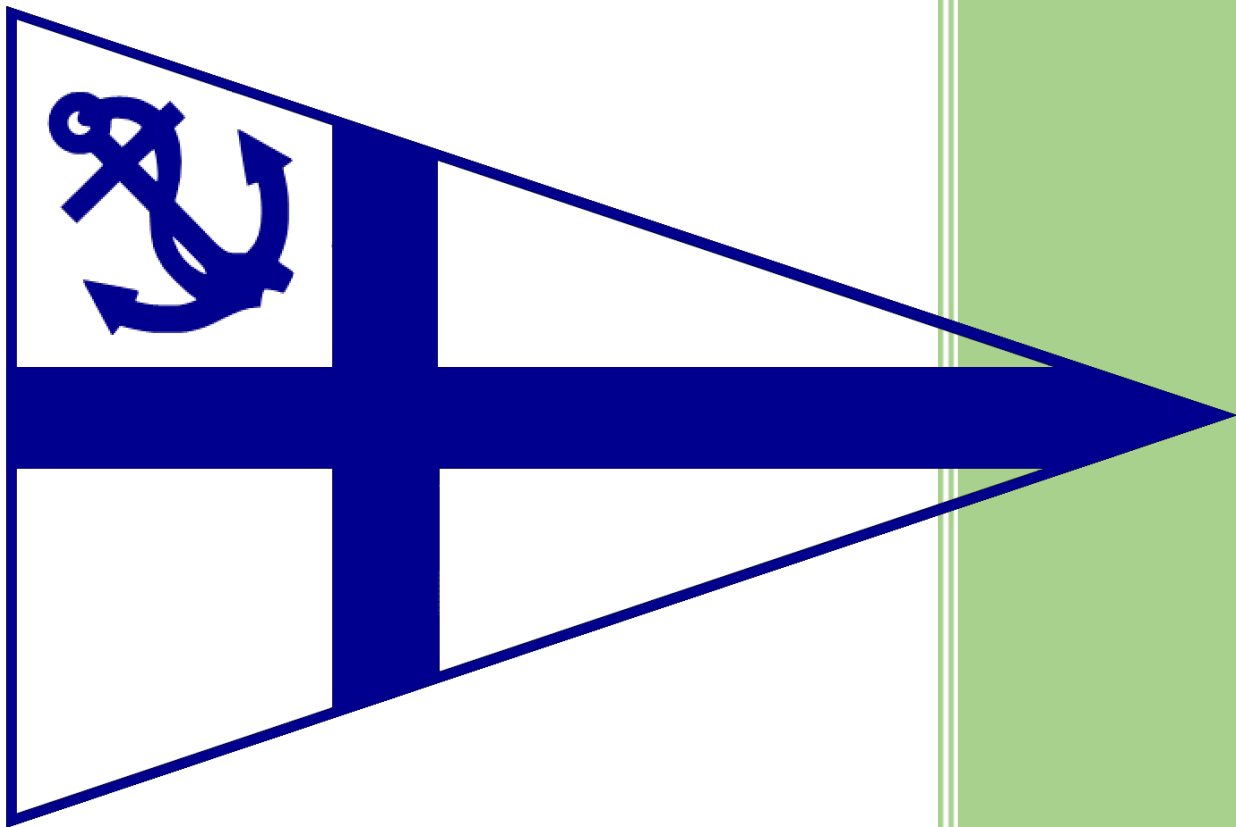


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2026 Notice Of Race**



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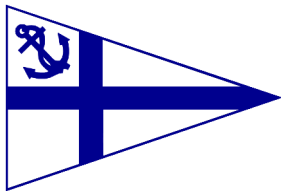
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## Letter to all our 2026 Series Racers

Welcome to the 2026 racing season of the Jamestown Yacht Club. Our Race Committee is looking forward to an exciting, fun, and safe time on the water with you. To that end, we remind you of a few items we must all attend to for a successful racing season.

Race participants are not exempt from any Federal, state, or local laws or regulations, including no-wake zones, safety zones around certain vessels and critical infrastructure, among others.

Per the *Racing Rules of Sailing, Part 2*, preamble, "When a boat sailing under these rules [ie, racing] meets a vessel that is not [racing], she shall comply with the *International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS)*, or government right-of-way rules." Our *2026 Sailing Instructions and Addenda*, paragraph 14.3, emphasize that all participants are subject to the navigation rules of the road, which prohibits interference with vessels that can only navigate within areas considered "narrow channels or fairways". One or more areas where we race in Narragansett Bay have been designated a Restricted Channel by the US Coast Guard and sailing boats do not automatically become "stand-on" or "privileged" by virtue of participation in the racing event, i.e., do not have right of way over a vessel under power which may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

In decreased visibility (less than 2 nautical miles), race participants must comply with *The Racing Rules of Sailing 56.1* sound signal requirements.

Additionally, **JYC racers are reminded of the requirements**, per paragraph 14.2 of the *JYC 2026 SI*, to **check-out with the JYC Race Committee if withdrawing from a race for whatever reason**.

*All JYC race participants are reminded that operating in a negligent manner (as determined by the US Coast Guard) may cause our racing series to be terminated. Race participants may be disqualified from JYC racing if their operation is deemed negligent.*

Race participants are not exempt from any state, or local laws regarding health and safety. Please be mindful of the Rhode Island regulations, DEM requirements, or requirements of marinas and clubs that may be in effect related to health and safety.

Thank you for your attention to the above and your cooperation on the racecourse.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Rienzo  
JYC Commodore / Fleet Captain / RC Chairperson  
401.782.7271  
[fleetcaptain@jyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@jyc.org)

**JYC 2026 Racing Season**  
Spring Series, Summer Series, Crew Rotation Race & Fall Series  
*Jamestown Yacht Club – Organizing Authority*  
Southern Narragansett Bay, RI

**NOTICE OF RACE**

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and related Sailing Instructions:

PC: Protest Committee or International Jury

NOR: Notice Of Race

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

RC: Race Committee

SI: Sailing Instruction

[DP]: the penalty for a breach of a rule may, at the discretion of the PC, be less than disqualification.

**1. RULES**

1. JYC Club Racing is governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, as modified or supplemented by *US Sailing*, and further modified or supplemented by paragraph 1.5 or elsewhere in the *NOR* or *SI* for the JYC 2026 Spring Series, Summer Series, Crew Rotation Race, and Fall Series.
2. The Performance Handicap Racing of Narragansett Bay (PHRF-NB) ratings will apply and a valid/current PHRF-NB Rating Certificate is required for all contestants.
3. The Crew Rotation Race is not part of the Summer Series and requires a separate entry form and fee if the boat has not registered for the entire JYC Racing Season Series. All rules and regulations noted in this *NOR* are applicable, except as amended as follows:
  - a. Each boat must have at least three (3) crew on board.
  - b. Each entrant shall notify the JYC Race Committee as to whether they will race spinnaker or non-spinnaker. The JYC Race Committee will determine the number of classes and identify the PHRF spread for each class and whether it is a spinnaker or non-spinnaker class.
  - c. Each leg shall be sailed so that each member of the crew takes a different position on each leg so that no one sails the same position more than once, if possible.
  - d. The captain shall provide a list of the rotation used, which shall be submitted to the JYC Race Committee within the Time Limit provided in *SI 2026 Crew Rotation Race Addendum*, paragraph 5. The Crew Rotation Form is available at the end of this *NOR*.
4. The following changes to the *RRS* shall apply to all races covered by this *NOR*.
  - a. *Informing the Race Committee: RRS 60.2* is modified to add verbally informing the JYC Race Committee of a protest, including the protestor and protestee(s) as soon as possible after finishing the race.

- b. At the first reasonable opportunity during, or immediately after the race, a boat which accepted a penalty requiring turns (One-Turn or Two-Turns) shall report that fact to the JYC Race Committee on the race area VHF channel and identify the boat infringed against. This modifies *RRS 44.2*.
- c. *RRS Appendix A, A4* is modified per *NOR* paragraph 12 to reflect JYC series scoring.
- d. *RRS 33 Changing the Next Leg of the Course* is modified to include only a radio announcement of the change in course configuration and/or length.
- e. *RRS 35* is modified to set a time limit on finishers such that if a competitor in a class *sails the course* and *finishes* within the race time limit, the race time limit for that class is extended 30 minutes. All competitors not finishing in this extended time limit shall be scored DNF.
- f. *RRS 60.5* is modified in the case of race participant interference with commercial traffic per *SI* paragraph 14.3 to allow the protest committee to impose on the race participant a sanction of disqualification not excludable from more than the race when the violation occurred.

## 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions and Addenda for each series and the Crew Rotation Race are posted in the *SI* together with this *NOR* under the “Racing” menu at [www.jyc.org](http://www.jyc.org) as provided under paragraph 3 of this *NOR*.

## 3. COMMUNICATION

- 1. The online official notice board is located on the “Racing” menu at [www.jyc.org](http://www.jyc.org).
- 5. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on JYC Racing VHF Channel 72, Distress VHF Channel 16 and any VHF Channel as specified by Coast Guard or Harbor Master safety vessel.
- 6. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the JYC Racing VHF radio channel 72.
  - a. All competitors are required to maintain an active watch on the JYC Racing VHF radio channel 72.
- 7. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the day’s racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 1. The JYC 2026 Series regatta is open to boats who are current members of a yacht club/sailing association or registered fleet.
- 8. No participant on any registered yacht may be a terminated former member of the Jamestown Yacht Club.
- 9. Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry and Waiver on-line, uploading a valid 2026 PHRF-Narragansett Bay rating certificate, and making payment on line via the JYC website registration or sending the entry form and waiver (found in this *NOR*; also found under the “Racing” menu at [www.jyc.org](http://www.jyc.org)), together with

the required entry fee and a valid 2026 PHRF-Narragansett Bay rating certificate to:

Cheryl Rienzo  
22 Top O' the Mark Drive  
Jamestown, RI 02835-2438  
fleetcaptain@jyc.org

10. PHRF-NB forms can be obtained from PHRF-NB at:  
Get a PHRF Certificate - PHRF of Narragansett Bay
11. All the forms and applicable racing fees are required to classify a boat as registered.
12. The JYC Race Committee will accept no transactions on the water.
13. Do not participate in the JYC racing if not registered; this can have an impact on the registered boats and is not fair to the registered boats. It is possible for non-registered boats that impact registered boats that are racing to be protested (see *RRS 23*) and possibly even barred from all racing.
14. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: payment of the entry fee and assessed late fee, and submission of all applicable racing forms.
15. Changes in Class: A registered boat will not be allowed to change classes if at that time the number of races left in the series is less than the minimum required for the boat to qualify in its new class for that series. Other requests for changes in class will be subject to RC approval.

## 5. FEES

1. For members of the Jamestown Yacht Club, the entry fee is \$115.00 per series or \$140.00 for all series and Crew Rotation Race.
2. For non-members, the entry fee is \$145.00 per series or \$205.00 for all series and Crew Rotation Race.
3. The Crew Rotation Race entry fee is \$50.00 for members and non-members alike, when registering for this event only.
4. There will be a \$5.00 entry fee credit for participants who are US SAILING members. The US SAILING membership number must be provided.
5. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Discretion of the JYC Race Committee Chairperson. No transactions will be allowed on the water. A valid rating certificate and all fees and other required documents must accompany late registrations to be considered. A late charge of \$50.00 will be added for all boats registering less than 24 hours before the first race of each series.
6. Change in Boat: A boat and owner combined is the registered entity. A change of boat by an owner within a series will constitute a new entry. The new boat may or may not qualify depending on how many races the owner's new boat races. This will require a new Racing Entry Form & PHRF-NB form, and associated fees. For the old boat to continue to race, a new Racing Entry Form, etc. must be submitted along with the regular entry fees as itemized on the Racing Entry Form and will be considered a new entry effective upon receipt of all forms and fees.

## 6. ADVERTISING

This is a Club event; other yacht club or sailing association members are invited to participate. Therefore, Competitor advertising will be restricted as follows:

1. The display of advertising on a boat is prohibited, except as may be required by class rules for those entering with their one design rating, in accordance with the World Sailing Advertising Code 20.2.3.3.
2. Manufacturer's and Sailmaker's marks shall always be permitted in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Code 20.7.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

1. Spring Series: Five (5) races, Tuesday evenings May 12 – June 9, 2026.
  - a. Social event post racing on June 9, 2026 at Conanicut Yacht Club.
2. Summer Series: Ten (10) races, Tuesday evenings June 16 – August 25, 2026, with the exception of July 21, 2026.
3. Crew Rotation Race: One (1) race, Tuesday evening July 21, 2026.
4. Fall Series: Five (5) races, Tuesday evening September 1, 2026, and Sunday afternoons September 13 – October 4, 2026.

The first warning signal for each of the above series and the Crew Rotation Race is as stated in the *SI*, in the respective series addenda.

## 8. MEASUREMENT

1. Each boat shall produce a valid 2026 PHRF-Narragansett Bay rating certificate.
2. Competitors shall comply with the entirety of *RRS 78*.

## 9. VENUE

1. Racing will be held in southern Narragansett Bay primarily between Jamestown and Newport.
2. The Starting Area is bounded by Special Race Mark C (NE of Conanicut YC) to the North, Buoy F (eastern-most red buoy marking the channel to TPG Conanicut Marine fuel dock) to the South and the Bay channel to the East.
3. The primary location for the Starting Line is at Mark C.
4. As necessary, the JYC RC will be using the Finish Line for the Start Line.
5. The JYC RC may display code flag "L" and lead contestants to another starting area if racing conditions so require.

## 10. COURSES

1. The JYC Series courses are defined in the course list provided in the *SI*. The South Bay Race Chart 2024-2027, prepared by Sail Newport, identifies the marks referenced on the course list in the *SI*. Copies of this chart may be purchased for a

- nominal fee from Sail Newport or are available on their website at [www.sailnewport.org](http://www.sailnewport.org). The JYC courses are printed on the back of that chart, but **in the event of any conflict between that list and the *SI*, the *SI* will prevail.**
2. Courses for the Crew Rotation Race are given in the *SI*, paragraph 8.3.

## 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

1. The Scoring Penalty, *RRS 44.1 & 44.2*, applies as modified in Paragraph 1.5(b) of this *NOR*.

## 12. SCORING AND QUALIFICATION

1. The scoring system is as follows: the low point scoring system, *RRS Appendix A, A4* (Low Point System), will be used and is modified by the rest of this paragraph.
2. The first place boat shall receive  $\frac{3}{4}$  point.
3. The following results, DNS, OCS, UFD, BFD, DNF, RET, DSQ, and DNE (see *RRS Appendix A, All Scoring Abbreviations*), are scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats started (including those scored as OCS and DNS) in that boat's race.
4. DNC is not scored.
5. Handicap Scoring: Time on Time is used to calculate corrected elapse times. The following equation is used.  
Elapsed Time = (Actual Finish Time – Start Time) \* (650 / (550 + PHRF)).
6. Results: After each race, the results will be posted on the JYC website. (<http://www.jyc.org/Racing>).
7. Scores are not discarded when prohibited by *RRS 90.3(b)*.
8. Only one DSQ can be discarded per series.
9. To qualify for a series championship, a boat must race in 75% of the races (truncated) held in the series (for example, if 5 races are held, then participation in 3 races is needed to qualify – DNCs do not count toward qualification).
10. If a boat participates in more races than necessary to qualify, as modified by Paragraphs 12.7 and 12.8 of this *NOR*, the highest scores for the number of races equal to the number of races exceeding those needed to qualify will be discarded. A boat's score for each series shall be the average of the boat's scores for each race not discarded divided by the number of races scored and not discarded for that boat.
11. JYC Qualifiers: JYC Member-Racer boats that participate in the JYC Cruise Week at the same time as a Summer Series Race or JYC Member-Racer skippers that participate in a yacht club team race supporting the JYC at the same time as one of the JYC races shall receive a score equal to average points based on their full series scores (not including scores discarded) for each JYC race they miss while attending these Club events.

NOTE: While not a requirement under the rules, we ask that contestants who cannot qualify for a series (for example, those joining racing at the end of the spring series or planning to participate in only the first race of the fall series) consider that their score may impact the final result of the series. We suggest that, if you know you will not qualify for a series, you voluntarily retire after finishing – that way you will know

where you placed, but your score will not impact the other competitors who qualify. We stress this is entirely voluntary. In addition, this does not suggest that boats that do not qualify will not be scored, nor does it suggest that a contestant who finishes a series one or two races short of qualifying should retire from the races in which they competed.

### 13. DATA PROTECTION

All personal information, including address, phone and emails provided to JYC for purposes of Club racing, will not be sold or publicized.

### 14. RISK STATEMENT

*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.**

### 15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$200,000.00 per incident or the equivalent.

### 16. PRIZES

1. Prizes will be awarded for each race series (i.e., Spring, Summer, and Fall). First place will be awarded when at least two boats qualify for a series, second place if at least three boats qualify, and third place if five or more boats qualify.
2. Prizes will be awarded to each participating member of the crew for the 1<sup>st</sup> in Class boat in each class of the Crew Rotation Race.
3. The Sydney L. Wright trophy will be awarded to the JYC Member-Racer who, in the judgment of the JYC Race Committee, had the best overall performance in the Spring, Summer & Fall series. The recipient must (per Paragraph 12.9 of this *NOR*) qualify for each of the three series to be eligible for this award.

## JAMESTOWN YACHT CLUB 2026 PAPER RACING ENTRY

### Contact Information (All data is required)

Boat Name	
Sail #	
Type of Boat	
Boat Length	
Owner	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Member Club/Fleet	

### Series/Class Applicability (Check Applicable Series and Class)

<input type="checkbox"/> Spring	<input type="checkbox"/> Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Spinnaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Summer	<input type="checkbox"/> Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Spinnaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Fall	<input type="checkbox"/> Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Spinnaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Crew Rotation	<input type="checkbox"/> Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Spinnaker

### TO REGISTER, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

Entry Form, including Waiver Form

**MAIL TO:** Cheryl Rienzo

Current PHRF Form

22 Top O' the Mark Drive

Entry Fee

Jamestown, RI 02835

Late Fee, if less than 24 hours prior to 1<sup>st</sup> race of series entered

US Sailing Member #, if applicable

#: \_\_\_\_\_

**RACING FEES:**

Members of JYC:	\$115.00 per series or \$140.00 for all series & specialty event.	\$
Non-Members:	\$145.00 per series or \$205.00 for all series & specialty event.	\$
Crew Rotation only:	\$50.00	\$
Late Fee	\$50.00	\$
USSA Member Credit	(\$5.00)	(\$ )

**Total Paid:**

**Signature**

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

## WAIVER AND RELEASE

**THIS DOCUMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES. YOU SHOULD GET APPROPRIATE LEGAL OR OTHER ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IT.**

1. I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event.
2. My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
3. I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for
  - (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
  - (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew and the boat in this event.
4. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
5. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
6. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

### Signature

Signature	
Boat Name	
Date	

# CREW ROTATION RACE FORM

## 21 July 2026

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew (Names):  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Crew Rotation (*Positions are samples; enter applicable positions*)

Position	Leg 1	Leg 2	Leg 3	Leg 4	Leg 5	Leg 6
1. Helm						
2. Foredeck						
3. Trimmer						
4. Trimmer						
5. Pit						
6. Mast						

I hereby certify that the above crew rotation occurred during the race.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Skipper's Signature

**(Return completed/signed form to JYC Race Committee at the finish of the race to qualify for the race. There is a time limit to submit this form per the *SI, Crew Rotation Race Addendum*, paragraph 6.)**