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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE -**

Welcome to another sailing season on Anchor Bay! The water levels are up about 10" from last year & we are ready for another fun season. I have been out at least once a month this year sailing. Whether you like to race for fun or competitively, Anchor Bay offers a program for you.

Comprised of representatives from Sail Clubs & fleets in the area, ABYRA helps promote & organize sailboat racing on Anchor Bay & parts of Lake St. Clair. This year you will find a variety of racing options to fit all preferences. The Hobie's 276 fleet will be back again this year on Wednesdays. Tuesdays will have the Mackinac-bound cruising class again with their asymmetrical spinnakers which was a competitive class last year.

Tuesdays & Fridays offer a Jib & main class for those interested in finding out how much fun it can be racing with a group of sailboats. Both evenings offer several competitive PHRF classes. Thursdays are for Catalina only sailboats. Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays offer a class of your own if you have 5 or more paid boats per your needs. Friday has also opened a type of one design class for sailboats around the 29 to 30 foot range with ratings around 168 to race boat for boat & throw the ratings out.

I wish everyone many happy days on the water this year. Above all be safe & remember that it is all of our responsibilities to avoid mishaps & help the other boaters when they are in need.

Tom Roberts  
Commodore

## 2004 ANCHOR BAY RACE SCHEDULES

### **Albatross Yacht Club Tuesday Twilight Series**

Tune Up	May 4	<b>Warning</b> 7:00 pm
Spring Series	May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 8, 15, 22	7:00 pm
Summer Series	August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 September 7, 14	7:00 pm

### **ABYRA Wednesday Twilight Series**

Spring Series	May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16	7:00 pm
Summer Series	August 11, 18, 25 September 1, 8, 15	7:00 pm

### **Clinton River Catalina Association Thursday Night Series**

Tune Up	May 13	7.00 pm
Fun Race	May 15	10:55 am
Spring Series	May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 17, & 24	7.00 pm
Fall Series	August 5, 12, 19, 26, & Sept. 2, 9,	7.00 pm
Make-Up Dates	Spring - July 1, Summer - September 16	7.00 pm

### **NSSC Friday Night Top Gun Series**

Spring Series	May 14, 21, 28, June 11, 18, 25	7:00 pm
Summer Series	July 30, August 13, 20, 27, September 3, 10	7:00 pm

### **Invitational Races on Anchor Bay**

NSSC Past Commodore's Race	Saturday, June 5	11:00 am
NSSC Quantum - Yachtsman Race	Sunday, June 20	11:00 am
AYC St. Elmo's Night Race	Friday, August 6	7:00 pm
AYC Jack & Jill	Sunday, August 8	11:00 am
NSSC Macomb Daily Race	Sunday, August 15	11:00 am
AYC Annual	Saturday, August 29	11:00 am
NSSC Rum Keg FUN Cruise/Race	Saturday, August 28	11:00 am
NSSC Birthday Race	Sunday, September 12	11:00 am
CRCA International Regatta	Saturday, September 11	10:00 am
NSSC Howard Boston Memorial Race	Sunday, October 3	11:00 am
NSSC Fun Day Race	Saturday, October 25	11:00 am

### **NSSC Anchor Bay Fall Series: Flags for Every Race!**

Sundays - October 3, 10, 17	11:00 am
Saturday - October 23	11:00 am

**Results for all of these races can  
be found at The Yachtsman's  
website:**

<http://www.warmgear.com>

**DETROIT REGIONAL YACHT-RACING ASSOCIATION**

***<http://www.drya.org>***

**DRYA phone number: 810-778-1000**

**2003 Regatta Schedule**

May 15	Saturday	NSSC	Tune Up Regatta
May 22	Saturday	GLYC	Volvo-Leukemia Cup
May 29	Saturday	DYC	DYC Regatta
June 4 -	Friday -	BYC	NOOD Regatta
June 6	Sunday	"	"
June 11-12	Friday	TYC	Mills Race
June 12	Saturday	GLYC	Single/Doublehanded
June 18	Friday	WYC	Windsor Overnight
June 26	Saturday	DBC/GPC	DBC/GPC Regatta
July 10	Saturday	GPSC	GPSC Regatta
July 17	Saturday	BYC	Pt Huron - Mackinac
July 24	Saturday	CYC	Chicago - Mackinac
July 31- Aug 1	Sat-Sun	Level 35	Top 0' Lakes Regatta
July 31- Aug 1	Sat-Sun	LYC	Harbor Springs Regatta
August 2-4	Mon-Wed	ILYA	Bay Week
August 14	Saturday	GPYC	GPYC Regatta
August 21	Saturday	EBC	EBC Regatta
August 22	Sunday	LSSC	LSSC Team Challenge
August 28	Saturday	CSYC	CSYC Regatta
September 4	Saturday	SYC	Friendship Race
September 5	Sunday	PHYC	Leukemia Cup
September 11	Saturday	DYC	DYC Sweepstakes
September 18	Saturday	BYC	Long Distance Race
September 25	Saturday	GPYC	Bluenose

**Great Lakes Fall Series**

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 30



## **ANCHOR BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION**

***<http://www.abyra.com>***

ABYRA is a group of member clubs and associations who, through the payment of dues, support organized sailboat racing on Anchor Bay. Participation is open to all boat owners who belong to the clubs and associations that are members in good standing of ABYRA. (See ELIGIBILITY on page 10 for additional information).

### **Flag Officers & Committee Chairs**

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### **2004 Key Dates**

May 10	Early Registration Ends
October 1	Wednesday Season Standings Posted at NSSC
October 11	No protests or revisions after this date
October 26	Fall General Membership & Election Meeting at NSSC, 7:00 pm
November 6	Haul Out and Awards Party, NSSC

## ANCHOR BAY RACING

Anchor Bay Racing guidelines cover the following series:

- AYC Tuesday Twilight Series
- ABYRA Wednesday Twilight Series
- CRCA Thursday Night Series
- NSSC Friday Night Top Gun Series

Any exceptions to the general sailing instructions are included in the member organization's Special Instructions.

The schedule, classes, splits and rating systems have been established to encourage broad participation. Please keep in mind that you are racing under the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as amended by these sailing instructions.

### **Classes**

Boats will race under PHRF and one-design rules as appropriate. Each class shall maintain five or more boats (Cruising = three) over the entire season to ensure continuation of the class start. Any yacht may change class once during the overall season, by application to and approval by at least two members of the executive board with a minimum one-week notice prior to the intended change.

### **PHRF Class**

The PHRF class is open to all yachts and contains two Divisions.

**Division I** is geared towards full race-equipped boats. All sails are allowed, including spinnakers.

**Division II** is intended for jib and main cruiser-racers. Spinnakers, stay sails and nylon headsails may not be used. Dual headsails are not permitted except when changing headsails. Spinnaker or whisker poles cannot exceed "J" dimension.

All skippers electing to race PHRF (with the exception of first-year Division II boats) must have a current DRYA rating certificate or a one-design certificate<sup>1</sup>. The Race Chairman must receive a current rating certificate or proof of rating change at least three days prior to an applicable race. A 10-second per mile penalty will be placed on

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<sup>1</sup> For more information contact the Detroit Regional Yacht Racing Association (DRYA) at 586-778-1000 or online at <http://www.drya.org>

all boats not having said certificate. Credits will be issued for roller furling, fixed blade props, etc. per DRYA guidelines. (These credits are already contained in your DRYA rating if you have a valid certificate.)

Final class placement is subject to approval by the ABYRA Executive Board. No single-handed sailing is allowed.

**Note:** For **AYC**, ratings will be assigned to each boat by the AYC Race Board to ensure fair competition. Ratings assigned by the AYC Race Board are not subject to review or appeal. In order to assist the Race Board in evaluating a boat, all competitors should obtain a current DRYA PHRF and/or One-design Handicap Certificate. The AYC Race Board may request other rating certificates that are available and such other information as it deems relevant and may require the boat be made available for inspection by one or more members of the AYC Board.

### **Twilight Racing Starting Sequence** **All times are approximate**

**Note:** See **CRCA Special Instructions** for Thursday night starting sequence.

Sequence Alert . . . . .	1855 Hours . . . . .	3 sounds
Warning . . . . .	1900 Hours	
Preparatory . . . . .	1901 Hours . . . . .	“P” flag
Start 1 . . . . .	1905 Hours . . . . .	Pink
Start 2 . . . . .	1910 Hours . . . . .	Green
Start 3 . . . . .	1915 Hours . . . . .	Gold
Start 4 . . . . .	1920 Hours . . . . .	Purple
Start 5 . . . . .	1925 Hours . . . . .	Light Blue
Start 6 . . . . .	1930 Hours . . . . .	White

See board at NSSC for classes and splits

### **Scoring**

The Low Point Scoring System per Appendix A2 of the USSA racing rules, using Section A5 prescriptions, will determine series standings. In addition, the following shall apply:

## **1. Minimum Number of Races**

The spring series and summer series each consist of six scheduled races. A minimum of four races is required to qualify for series standings.

**Note:** *The AYC Tuesday Twilight spring series and summer series each consist of seven scheduled races with a minimum of five races required to qualify for series standings.*

For scoring purposes the number of allowable throw-outs will be reduced by one for each race abandoned in a series, until the number of throw-outs is equal to one. For subsequent abandonments, the number of races required to qualify for a series shall be reduced by one.

For example, in the event of one abandoned race, four out of five races will be required to qualify for series awards, and four out of six races will be required to qualify for series awards for Wednesday nights.

In the event of two abandoned races, three out of four races will be required to qualify for series awards, and four out of five races will be required to qualify for Wednesday night series awards.

## **2. Abandonments**

Yachts that start in a regatta that is subsequently abandoned, or yachts that are sailing in the vicinity of the starting area when a race is abandoned before their start, may have the regatta count as one of the required regattas of the series in order to meet the minimum number of series races.

## **3. Race Committee Duty**

A yacht whose registered skipper is serving on race committee, therefore does not rank as a starter, shall be scored for that race as the average of all races sailed for that series. A series is defined as *spring, summer or fall*. That score for race committee duty will be used in place of a higher raced score for series and season calculations provided the minimum number of sailed races is met. Race committee duty cannot be used to meet the minimum number of qualifying races for a series or a season.

The registered skipper of each yacht shall provide himself plus at least one other person to serve race committee duty during the

series or season in which they are registered. The Race Committee headed by the Race Chairperson shall protest skippers who fail to serve their scheduled race committee duty. The penalty for non-compliance shall be a DSQ for that race.

**Note:** For **AYC Tuesday Twilight Series**, boats whose skippers are serving race committee cannot race and are scored DNS.

**Note:** For **NSSC Friday Night Top Gun Series**, boats whose skippers are serving race committee cannot race.

It is the responsibility of the skipper to know when he/she is assigned to race committee duty. Contact the Race Chairman if you have any doubt. The Race Chairman will make every effort to accommodate a skipper's requested race committee choice.

However, if any skipper experiences scheduling conflicts, it is the skipper's final responsibility to ensure that the obligation is met.

#### **4. Disqualification**

A disqualification cannot be counted as a throw-out for any series, season or boat of the year scoring.

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

These races are managed under **The Racing Rules Of Sailing (RRS) and US Sailing Prescriptions** except as modified herein.

### **1. Eligibility**

All scheduled Wednesday and Friday races are open to sail yachts owned or chartered by individual members of clubs or associations which are members in good standing of ABYRA and/or DRYA and who have paid their race fees. In the event that the registered skipper is unable to be on board, he/she is allowed to have a duly insured alternate skipper to represent him/her in up to two races.

All Tuesday Twilight Series races are open to all sail yachts owned by AYC members or their spouses who have paid their race fees and fit within the prescribed class rules, and non-members by invitation or acceptance through application. The owner must be on board his yacht and in charge during the race unless the Race Chairman grants prior approval.

**A boat may not protest a boat for an alleged breach of RRS 75.2 with respect to ISAF Regulation 21.1(b). This changes rule 60.1(a).**

### **2. Management**

The race will be under management of the appropriate governing board, which shall have final authority to establish the racing conditions and to interpret the racing rules.

### **3. Classes**

Competing yachts will be classed and rated in accordance with the latest measurements and ratings accepted by and on file with the race chairman.

### **4. Changes to Race Instructions**

In addition to the requirements of Rule 88.2(c), changes will be posted on the NSSC bulletin board by 1700 hours on the day of the race and may also be available *from* the RC Boat when it displays the "Come Within Hail" flag (Code flag "L").

### **5. Sail Numbers**

For any change in sail numbers, the RC must be notified prior to the start. If a yacht does not notify the RC and the yacht's mainsail,

genoa larger than 130% and spinnaker do not bear the proper number or bears the same number as another yacht in its class, the yacht shall be disqualified.

## 6. Courses

Start: All races will start between the Committee Boat RC flag and the CR buoy.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Shape</u>	<u>Leave marks</u>
Red Course	Once around ABYRA 6-mile triangle	Red	To Port
Green Course	Once around ABYRA 6-mile triangle	Green	To Starboard
"1" Course	To 1PH and back	White shape with Black "1"	To Port
"C" Course	To C Mark and back	White shape with Black "C"	To Port

Finish for above courses: Between Committee Boat RC Flag and CR Buoy.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Shape</u>	<u>Leave marks</u>
"A" Course	Windward/Leeward To "A", to CR, Finish at "A" with Black "A"	White shape with black "A"	To Port
"B" Course	Windward/Leeward To "B", to CR, Finish at "B" with Black "B"	White shape with black "B"	To Port
"W" Course	Windward/Leeward Using Inflatable Marks with Black "W"	White shape with black "W"	To Port

Finish for "A," "B" and "W" Courses: Between Committee Boat RC flag and nearby mark as appropriate.

Class splits and starting times will be posted by 1700 at NSSC on the day of the first race for each series.

## 7. Marks

"CR" is a red and white government buoy bearing the designation "CR". "PH1" is a green government buoy bearing the designation "PH1". "A", "B" and "C" are lighted white buoys with an orange stripe, approx 2 feet in diameter and 5 feet tall. North Star Sail Club maintains marks "A," "B" and "C."

## 8. Life Jackets

With the presence or prediction of 20 MPH winds by NOAA, at the commencement of the start sequence the Race Committee may conspicuously display, within its rigging, a life preserver. This is not to mandate but to suggest that the expected conditions warrant the usage of life-saving apparatus by each race participant.

## 9. Restricted Area

All yachts must keep clear of the Start Line and an appropriate area to leeward of it until after the five-minute preparatory signal for their class. The restricted area shall be 150' behind and square to the start line and will extend in the area past the starting line to the first mark. Violations may result in DSQ.

## 10. Committee Boat: Protection Buoy

Any yacht starting or finishing by passing between the RC boat and the nearby protection buoy (orange float) will be considered to have touched a mark. See RRS 31.

## 11. Starting System

The starting system as defined in RRS 26 shall be used. Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Flag and sound</u>	<u>Minutes before starting signal</u>
Warning	Class flag; 1 sound	5*
Preparatory	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

\*or as stated in the sailing instructions

The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.

## **12. Postponement**

Signals shall be displayed from the Race Committee Boat and accompanied by two guns or sound signals. Code Answering Pennant - "AP" (Shape with red and white vertical stripes) - All races not started are postponed. This signal will be lowered, accompanied by one gun or sound signal, one minute before the next signal is made.

## **13. Abandonment**

Signals shall be displayed from the Race Committee Boat. Code Flag "N" (checkered blue and white) - All races including those in progress are abandoned: return to starting area. Code Flag "N" over Code flag "A" (vertical blue and white) accompanied by three sound signals: All races are canceled, return to shore.

## **14. Individual Recall**

In the event of a yacht or yachts over the starting line prior to the starting signal an individual recall signal (Code Flag "X") shall be flown and a short sound signal shall also be given. Contact on VHF Channel 72 may also be used.

## **15. General Recall**

RRS Rule 29.3 is changed as follows. In the event of a general recall, a general recall signal (1st Substitute) shall be flown and 2 short sound signals shall also be given. If a general recall is signaled, that class shall re-start after all other classes have started. Contact on VHF Channel 72 may also be used.

## **16. Shorten Course**

White cylinder with blue square (Code Flag S): race shortened to turning mark near Committee Boat. Finish between RC boat and nearby mark.

## **17. Time Limit**

The time limit on all races shall be three hours after a class start. One yacht finishing within the time limit constitutes a finish for its class and extends the time limit for that class.

**Note:** For the **Hobie fleet**, the time limit for each race shall be two hours after the class start. Boats finishing more than thirty minutes

*after the first boat that sails the course finishes shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.*

### **18. Protest**

Hearings will be set by the Protest Chairman. It is the responsibility of the skippers involved to follow the hearing guidelines outlined by each sailing organization's protest chairman.

### **19. Yacht Abandoning Race**

Yachts dropping out of the race must make every effort to report to the Race Committee as soon as possible either directly or on VHF Channel 72.

### **20. Hailing At Finish Line**

All skippers should identify their yachts, illuminate and call sail numbers, and be recognized when finishing at night. Skippers should note yacht ahead and yacht behind if needed for clarification when results are calculated.

### **21. Running Lights**

Running lights shall be displayed by all yachts in compliance with government regulations. Failure to comply shall be cause for disqualification.

### **22. Equipment**

All skippers are required to comply with Coast Guard safety requirements. In addition, all one-design class yachts shall comply with the appropriate class requirements.



## **ABYRA WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT SERIES**

***<http://www.abyra.org>***

**Chairman:** Dennis Meagher 586-777-7245  
**RC Boat Chairman:** Blair Arden 313-882-2222

North Star Sail Club is the host club and ABYRA manages the Spring and Summer Twilight Series. Following each race, skippers and crews are invited to NSSC for camaraderie and results. Results are also posted online at <http://www.abyra.com> & <http://www.warmgear.com>. All Series, Season and Boat of the Year awards will be presented at the ABYRA Haul Out Party held on Saturday, November 6, 2004.

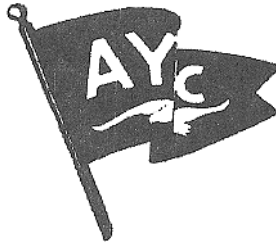
### **Season Championship Series**

The season championship series consists of all regularly scheduled spring and summer series races. A boat must qualify for both spring and summer series, and a minimum of eight races are required to qualify for season championship awards. Awards are presented to the top boats in each class.

- In the event of one abandoned race, eight out of eleven races will be required to qualify for season awards.
- In the event of two abandoned races, eight out of ten races will be required to qualify for season awards.
- In the event of three abandoned races, seven out of nine races will be required for season awards.

### **Boat of the Year**

Scoring for Boat of the Year shall be based on the Low Point Scoring System for each spinnaker class boat's overall position against the Fleet for each race. Boat of the Year qualification requirements shall be the same as season championship requirements.



## **ALBATROSS YACHT CLUB**

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### **Special Race Instructions**

The PH1 course will not be used on Tuesday nights.

Albatross Yacht Club manages the Tuesday Twilight Series. At the conclusion of each race, all skippers and crews are welcome at NSSC for camaraderie and results. You can also find AYC race results online at <http://www.warmgear.com> and <http://www.sailayc.org>.

Free hot dogs will be provided at Markley Marine's gazebo following the races on June 1 and August 24.

Flags will be awarded for the 5th race of each series and will be presented after these races.

Series award flags will be presented at NSSC immediately following the last race of each series.

**Change in Class or Division:** A boat may request a change to a faster class or change divisions once in a season for the series races. All changes must be submitted in writing three (3) days prior to the race to the Race Chairperson.

**Asymmetrical Cruising Class:** As defined by the Mackinac Cruising Class rules (sport boats excluded).

**Race Committee Duties:** All members serving committee duties on club races will be exempt for their series duties. All senior members in good status will be exempt from committee duties for all races.

### **Invitational and Club Races**

AYC offers many events during the year for a variety of sailing enthusiasts. Many of them are listed below. If you are interested in participating in these events or wish to assist in the management of any of the events, please talk to any AYC Board member or the Race chairman. Please note that class representation is based on the number of boats registered. Typically, there is a minimum of five yachts required to constitute having a separate class and a separate start for any of the events listed. Class placement will be the responsibility of the Race chairman.

#### **Pfeiffer Memorial Race (Thames River Club Race):** June 12

The Pfeiffer Memorial Race starts on Saturday morning at the Clinton River buoy "CR" to the St. Clair Light and finish at the entrance to the Thames River, Ontario, 25.4 miles away. Following the race all participants enjoy a dinner and awards ceremony at a pre-determined location at the Thames River, then stay overnight and cruise home the next morning. Many times, club members use this race just to cruise down to the Thames and enjoy the festivities. The race is to honor our past member and Commodore Russ Pfeiffer.

**Commodore's Challenge (Club Race):** June 29 This fun race has been an increasingly popular tradition for AYC. The race format, course and race committee is completely run by the current Albatross Yacht Club Commodore and can many times be extremely challenging for club sailors in sailing ability as well as a variety of other thought provoking tasks. Each year has a slightly different twist that is sure to be a favorite for all.

**Saint Elmo's Race (Invitational):** August 6

This spirited race has sometimes been called the AYC Night Race and has become one of the more popular races in the North end of the lake. The course consists of a race from the Clinton River Buoy "CR1" to the Saint Clair Light and back again. Depending on the conditions, the Saint Elmo's can demand a great deal of night sailing ability. This race also counts toward the AYC season standings.

**Jack & Jill Race (Invitational):** August 8

This is a race allowing for one man and one woman as the only crew on the boat. There is a spinnaker as well as a non-spinnaker class. The race is run on the ABYRA triangle course.

**AYC Annual Race (Invitational):** August 29

This race is a modified Olympic course.

**Malesko Memorial Trophy Race (Club Race):** September 11

This is a fun race open only to club members to celebrate the end of a good sailing season and to pay homage to our past member and Vice Commodore. This race also counts towards the AYC season standings.

**Season Overall Awards**

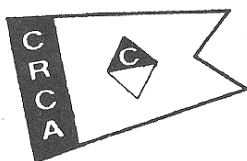
A boat must qualify for both spring and summer series in order to qualify for the season overall awards. The best ten races will then be used to calculate the overall awards. Awards will be given out at the ABYRA Haul Out Party.

All race flyers will be posted on the AYC website at:

*<http://www.sailayc.org>*.

**AYC Boat of the Year (Club Members Only)**

To qualify for AYC Boat of the Year for Spinnaker or JAM, there are 17 point races counted. These races include AYC Spring Series of 7 races, AYC Summer Series of 7 races, the St. Elmo's Race, AYC Annual Race and the Malesko Memorial Race. Of these possible 17 point races, 13 must be raced to qualify for overall standings. In the event of an abandoned race or races, the number of races needed to qualify will be reduced by the number of abandoned races.



## **CLINTON RIVER CATALINA ASSOCIATION**

***<http://www.crcasail.org/>***

### **Flag Officers**

Commodore	Jack Creed	248-623-0628
Vice Commodore	Mike Bracket	586-949-3527
Treasurer	Deanna Lundy	586-228-5864
Secretary	Janet Creed	248-623-0628
Member At Large	Ken Bousum	586-574-9426
Race Chair	Jack Gray	248-656-0947
Membership Chairs	Ted & Gaye Wing	248-373-5463

### **Fleet Captains**

22's	Mike Bracket	586-949-3527
25's	Larry Caricchio	248-852-3078
27's	Chris Cook	810-573-8325
28's	Phil Morel	810-574-9426
30's	Doug Post	810-412-7684
320's	Ken Bousum	810-574-9426
34's	Paul Krutty	248-649-0597

### **Special Race Instructions**

*CRCA will use the USSA 2001 – 2004 Starting Sequence in 2004*

**Entries:** All Catalina yachts that conform to the specification set forth in their individual class constitution and bylaws, and whose skipper is the owner/part owner and a member in good standing of the Clinton River Catalina Association, may be entered by completing registration with the Clinton River Catalina Association Race Committee. The skipper or an immediate family member must be on board during each race.

**Changes in Sailing Instructions:** will be made verbally on the day of the race when Code Flag "L" (yellow and black checkered flag) is displayed.

### Schedule of Races:

Race	Date	Warning Signal
Tune up Race	5/13/2004	7:00pm
Fun Race	5/15/2004	11:00am
Spring Series		
Race #1	5/20/2004	7:00pm
Race #2	5/27/2004	7:00pm
Race #3	6/3/2004	7:00pm
Race #4	6/10/2004	7:00pm
Race #5	6/17/2004	7:00pm
Race #6	6/24/2004	7:00pm
Makeup Race	7/1/2004	7:00pm **
Fall Series		
Race #1	8/5/2004	7:00pm
Race #2	8/12/2004	7:00pm
Race #3	8/19/2004	7:00pm
Race #4	8/26/2004	7:00pm
Race #5	9/2/2004	7:00pm
Race #6	9/9/2004	7:00pm
Makeup Race	9/16/2004	7:00pm **
International Regatta	Sept 11, 2004	10.00am

\*\*Makeup races will be held only if any of the 6 scheduled races in a series are canceled/abandoned for all class starts in one race.

### Thursday Night Series Starting Sequence

(all times are approximate)

6:55 pm	Sequence alert	Horn
7:00 pm	34 class warning	Pink flag and gun
7:05 pm	34 start	Green flag and gun
	30 class warning	
7:10 pm	30 start	Gold flag and gun
	28, 27, 25 & 22 class warning	
7:15 pm	28, 27, 25 & 22 start	Gun

### Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the annual Commodore's Ball.

Flags will be awarded to the yachts placing first, second, and third in each class in which five or more boats are entered in the series. First & second place flags will be awarded for a series with four yacht entrees. Classes with three yachts entered will be awarded a first place flag only for the series.

The yacht with the lowest combined score for the Spring and Fall series will receive the "CRCA Boat of The Year" award for that class. In case of Ties, refer to rule A8 of the racing Rules of Sailing 2001 to 2004.



## **HOBIE FLEET 276**

***<http://www.fleet276.com>***

Hobie Fleet 276 was revived in 2003, bringing together Hobie Cat Catamaran sailors who are interested in enjoying the "Hobie Way of Life." While racing is our interest, socializing is our goal. As the newest fleet in the ABYRA, we hope to attract more Hobie sailors, as well as add the speed and excitement of cat sailing to the ABYRA events.

Sailors will compete on all types of Hobie Cats: from the classic Hobie 14, to the new F18 class catamaran, the Hobie Tiger. While the essence of Hobie Cat Class rules are followed, we encourage participation, regardless of "minor" class rule violations.

### **Fleet Officers**

Commodore	Jeff Rabidoux	248-641-7358	<a href="mailto:jeff.rabidoux@sbcglobal.net">jeff.rabidoux@sbcglobal.net</a>
Vice Commodore	Matt Bounds		<a href="mailto:mbounds@comcast.net">mbounds@comcast.net</a>
Fleet Captain	John Bauldry		<a href="mailto:hobie826@aol.com">hobie826@aol.com</a>

Hobie Fleet 276 will participate primarily in the Wednesday Night Series races. Awards will be given based on the results of both the Spring and Fall series. A Sailor of the Year award will also be given.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the current Racing Rules of Sailing as proscribed by the United States Sailing Association and the Class Rules of the International Hobie Class Association.

**Schedule:** Boats will launch from the DNR Ramp at the end of South River Road. The warning signal for the first race will be at 7:00 p.m. The class flag is the Fleet 276 logo.

**Safety:**

- 6.1 Personal Flotation Devices are to be worn at all times by all competitors. This modifies IHCA Class Rule 8.1
- 6.2 All competitors shall carry a flashlight bright enough to illuminate their sail as required by government regulations. Portable running lights are recommended but not required. The Organizing Authority shall not be responsible for violations or associated costs to sailors that do not comply with government regulations.
- 6.3 All Competitors are encouraged to carry a hand-held VHF radio and/or cellular phone during the race and shall monitor the Race Committee frequency announced at the skipper's meeting.
- 6.4 A Fleet Safety Officer shall be selected to ride in the chase boat and shall be aware of all Fleet members on the racecourse that might be in need of assistance or who may go missing. The Fleet Safety Officer shall also be responsible for ensuring at least one Fleet member carries a VHF radio during the race.

**Protests:** Protests shall be delivered to the fleet commodore within 30 minutes after the race committee finish boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day in North Star Sailing Club.

**Scoring:** The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. The best four races of each 6-race series will count. In the event of race cancellations, refer to ABYRA Handbook. Twelve races are scheduled. Six races constitute a series.

**Trophies:** Trophies will be awarded to the top three sailors in each fleet, based on performance in both series. In order to qualify, sailors must complete both series - Spring and Summer.



## **LAKE ST. CLAIR J/24 FLEET 6**

The Lake St Clair J/24 Fleet 6 was founded in 1978 to promote and organize the racing and social events for the J/24 class boats in Lake St Clair. Besides having over the years, The J/24 Great Lakes Championships and The District 12 Championships on a number of occasions, the fleet sponsors several social events and an annual regatta every year.

The J/24 Fleet 6 currently has 20 boats located on Lake St Clair, concentrated in two areas, Anchor Bay and lower Lake St Clair. 2002 saw the return of J/24 one design racing in Anchor Bay on Wednesday Evenings.

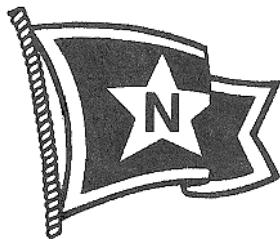
### **Fleet Officers**

Commodore	Dan Webb	586-954-2567
Fleet Captain	Harold Stackpoole	313-885-3507
Secretary	Steve Conger	810-321-7335
Treasurer	Jim Kalkstein	248-853-0947
Past Commodore	Bob Landgraf	248-669-3853
ABYRA Delegate	Bob Landgraf	248-669-3853
DRYA Delegate	Harold Stackpoole	313-885-3507
Social Chairman	Brad Rohloff	248-723-9132
By-Laws Chairman	Paul Eseman	248-398-4744

### **Fleet Events**

For the sixth year in a row, Fleet 6 will sponsor its Autumn Denial Regatta out of Bayview Yacht Club on August 28 and 29. Expected turnout should exceed 15 boats with a number of out of town boats attending. In addition, the J/24 has been an active class in the Detroit NOOD Regatta since its inception in 1993.

In 1999, the Fleet reintroduced its Fleet Champion Perpetual Trophy and for 2004, the following events will be considered in the scoring: Detroit NOOD Regatta, Autumn Denial Regatta and season results in the Tuesday and Wednesday Series.



## **NORTH STAR SAIL CLUB**

***<http://www.northstarsail.org>***

Phone: 586-463-2192, Fax: 586-463-5405

### **Flag Officers**

Commodore	Jeff Henderson
Vice Commodore	Steve Hicks
Rear Commodore	Pat Doherty
Fleet Captain	Greg Swetka
Secretary	Trish Smotherman
Treasurer	Lang MacDonald
Past Commodore	Art Mason

### **Directors**

Social Activities	Richard King
Membership & Work Hours	Paul Rand
Outside Maintenance	Ed Francis
Communications	Everett Rezendes
Indoor Maintenance	

Club Manager:	Claudia Drummond
Race Committee Chairperson:	Dan VandenBossche 586-530-6917 dan@anchorbayspecialties.com

### **Top Gun Series**

<b>Top Gun Race Chairperson:</b>	Dan VandenBossche 586-530-6917 dan@anchorbayspecialties.com
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Come on out Friday evenings and call yourself a Top Gun! (At least at having fun!) Kick off the weekend with some great racing. All racers, crew and their families are invited back to NSSC after the race for food and fun! Generous rating allowances for roller furlers, fixed props, and first time racers. NSSC is the host club and manages the Friday Night Series. Results will be given after each race at NSSC. Flags will be

presented to each class at the end of each series and overall for all PHRF divisions at the end of the season. You can also find Friday night's results online at [www.warmgear.com](http://www.warmgear.com) and [www.northstarsail.org](http://www.northstarsail.org).

### **Season Overall Awards**

A boat must qualify for both the spring and summer series in order to qualify for the season overall awards. The best eight races will then be used to calculate the overall award.

### **Invitational and Club Races**

North Star Sail Club (NSSC) is the organizing authority and will provide race management.

**Rules:** USSA The Racing Rules of Sailing (2001-2004), 2003 Anchor Bay Yacht Racing Association (ABYRA) Handbook, individual Notices of Race and the Sailing Instructions shall govern these races.

**Eligibility:** Races are open to sail yachts owned or chartered by individual members of clubs or associations which are members in good standing of ABYRA, DRYA and/or USSA, and who have paid their race fees. In the event of a boat without a rating, the RC will assign a temporary rating.

#### **DRYA Tune Up Race: May 15**

This race day is designed to be a tune-up for any or all DRYA or NSSC yachts with two short races to get crews working. NSSC will hold this windward/leeward race course off 10 Mile Rd. No awards, just a tired crew. Help us kick off the new season with a bang!

#### **NSSC Past Commodore's Race: June 5**

As in the past, we have tried to make the Past Commodore's Race a longer distance event. This year we will join with the cruisers and make the Thames River the destination. Starting late morning on Saturday, we race from CR1 to the mouth of the Thames. The cruisers will already be at the Cove Marina where we can join them for barbeque and camaraderie. Plan on staying overnight!

#### **NSSC Quantum-Yachtsman Race: June 20**

Quantum Sails and The Yachtsman sponsor this race in Anchor Bay. With great sponsors like these, there are typically some special awards given out along with the trophy. Come on out for some summer sailing and fun. After race awards and festivities at NSSC.

#### **NSSC Macomb Daily Race: August 15**

The race sponsor ensures that the race gets some press! Come Play on Anchor Bay and maybe get your 15 minutes of fame! Reporters and photographers are on hand the day of the race to record the events

and present awards. A great cookout after the race makes it a full day of fun in the sun!

**NSSC Rum Keg FUN Cruise/Race to DYC:** August 28

With both cruisers and racers participating in this race to the Detroit Yacht Club, (a few finished last year without officially starting!), dinghy racing after arrival, and a picnic dinner, the fun meter soars! Race date changed so as to not conflict with the Woodward Dream Cruise.

**NSSC Birthday Race:** September 12

Another year young! Join in the celebration of North Star's birthday! A great day for a race in the bay with PHRF and JAM classes. What is a birthday without a party! Help us celebrate at the club. Bring your family and meet old and new friends.

**NSSC Sloman Scramble:** September 19 (NSSC Members Only)

According to lore, Bill Sloman always wanted a race that allowed the possibility of the slowest boat finishing first. He had a vested interest since his boat was the slowest. This race honors him and others with slower boats by starting in a staggered fashion according to the performance ratings. This, in theory, should have all the boats finishing at the same time! (Luckily, this rarely occurs!) Everyone needs to follow their watches carefully!! Each boat within NSSC has an official starting time, but it is up to them to create an official finishing time.

**NSSC Howard Boston Memorial Race:** October 5

This race is part of the Fall Series, but welcome to all that wish only to do one race to finish the year. The race format is for a longer race, with many mark roundings. If you can't make the entire series, this is a good alternative. The race has been attracting a large number of yachts in recent years with the quality and level of racing being great!

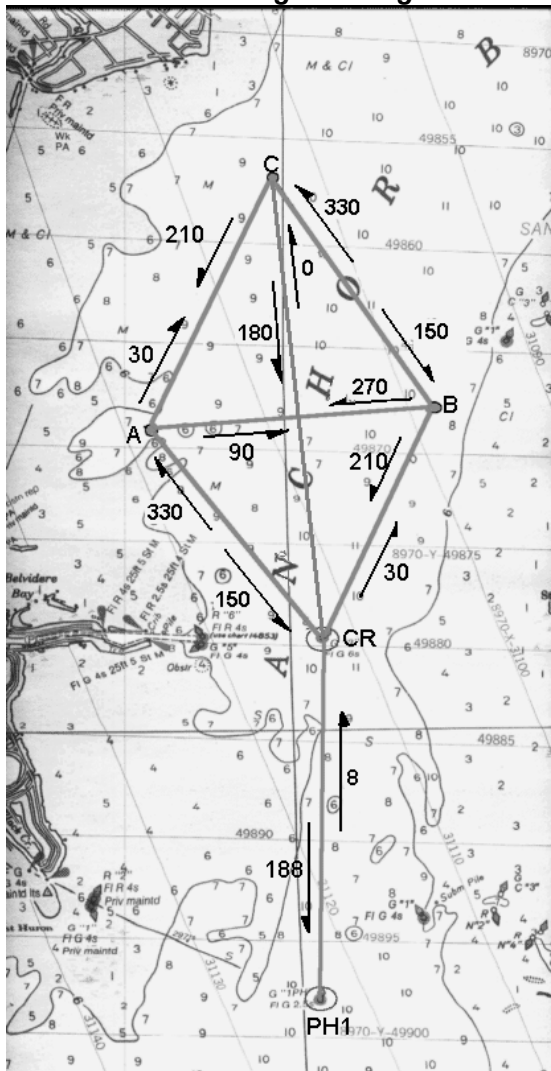
**NSSC Anchor Bay Fall Series:** October 3, 10, 17, & 23

This series has continued to gain more momentum over the years. No need to motor for over an hour through cold fall mornings to get to the course has been a key reason for the popularity with northern Lake St. Clair boats. The season always has a wide range of weather conditions in store, usually including abundant wind! NSSC can arrange for boat slips for out of town boats, available first come, first served. NSSC club house is always humming after the race, where food, beverages and great sailing stories are always abundant! Flags for each race and for overalls are provided by the sponsor, The Yachtsman. This year, there are plans for a 2 race day, with windward/leeward races - look for more details this summer!

# ANCHOR BAY GENERAL COURSE DIAGRAM

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*Course Headings are Magnetic*

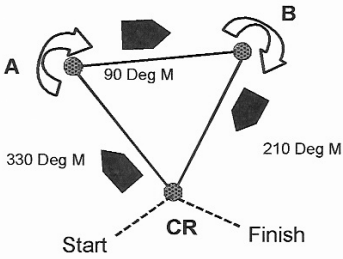


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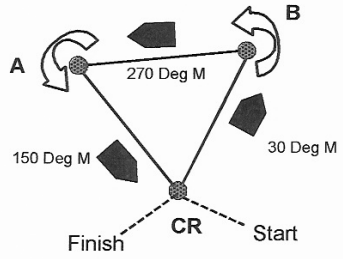
CR	42° 35.57'	82° 44.51'
A	42° 36.92'	82° 46.00'
B	42° 37.16'	82° 43.65'
C	42° 38.60'	82° 44.75'
1PH	42° 32.79'	82° 44.78'

## COURSE DIAGRAMS

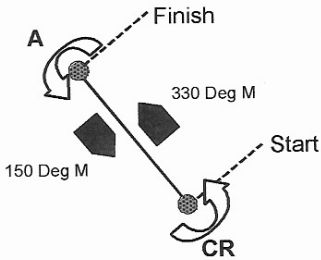
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Triangle to Starboard



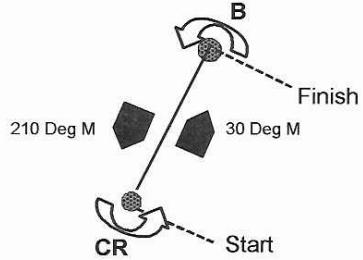
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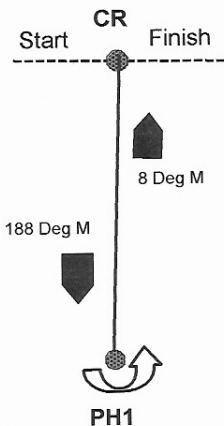
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Windward/Leeward to A



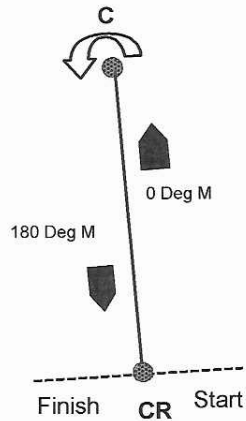
**Course B**  
Windward/Leeward to B



**Course 1**  
Windward/Leeward to PH1



**Course C**  
Windward/Leeward to C



## RACE SIGNAL FLAGS

The following flags should be in the race signal bag. Please make sure that the Race Committee is familiar with the meaning of each one.

**Race Committee** \_\_\_\_\_ "RC" flown at the masthead  
Race Committee Boat at Finish \_\_\_\_\_ Blue flag

**Postponement** \_\_\_\_\_ Red and white vertically striped cylinder (AP)

### **Abandonment Signals**

Return to start area \_\_\_\_\_ Blue and white checkered flag (N)

Return to dock \_\_\_\_\_ (N) over vertical blue and white (A)

### **Signals Before the Start**

Courses:

Green \_\_\_\_\_ Green shape

Red \_\_\_\_\_ Red shape

"A" \_\_\_\_\_ White shape with black "A"

"B" \_\_\_\_\_ White shape with black "B"

"1" \_\_\_\_\_ White shape with black "1"

"C" \_\_\_\_\_ White shape with black "C"

"W" \_\_\_\_\_ White shape with black "W"

Preparatory Signal \_\_\_\_\_ Blue with White Square (P)

Rule 30.1 is in effect \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow with black circle (I)

Rule 30.2 is in effect \_\_\_\_\_ Black/yellow/blue/red (Z)

Rule 30.3 is in effect \_\_\_\_\_ Black flag

**Recall Signals** - shape must be flown and a sound signal given

Individual \_\_\_\_\_ White flag with blue Cross (X)

General \_\_\_\_\_ Blue and yellow pennant shaped flag (1st Substitute)

### **Other Signals**

Shorten Course \_\_\_\_\_ White cylinder with blue square (S)

Come Within Hail \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow and black checkered flag (L)

Missing Mark \_\_\_\_\_ Blue with white cross (M)

Wear personal buoyancy \_ Red & yellow diagonally striped cylinder (Y)

\_\_\_\_\_ -Or life jacket flown from rigging (#8 - Life Jackets)

## RACE COMMITTEE GUIDELINES & INSTRUCTIONS

1. Pick up the RC package at NSSC (scratch sheets for all classes, order of finish sheets, start gun, flags and shapes, anchors, protection buoy and inflatable marks when needed). Wednesday Twilight RC call race chairperson to arrange for pick-up.
2. Mount all equipment and supplies on RC boat (RC flag at masthead, flag halyards prepared with downhauls, anchor ready, etc)
3. Motor to CR at least one hour before start and take wind direction reading to determine the course direction and type. Set course according to this chart:

<u>Wind Direction Between</u>	<u>Start at Mark</u>	<u>Send Boats to</u>	<u>Use Course</u>
345° and 15° M	CR	C	"C"
14° and 60° M	CR	B	Red or "B"
61° and 119° M	CR	A	Green
20° and 177° M	CR	B	Red
178° and 198° M	CR	1PH or "C"	"1" or "C"
195° and 239° M	CR	A	Green
240° and 300° M	CR	B	Red
301° and 345° M	CR	A	Green or "A"

4. Place committee boat on the starting line as indicated in the Course Diagrams and set starting line perpendicular to the course.
5. Log wind speed, wind direction and sea state on the "Order of Finish" sheet.
6. Position Race Committee boat on start line. Minimum length of the start lines should be 100 yards. Position the RC Boat 100 yards from the CR buoy, anchor square to the course, and throw the protection buoy out towards the start buoy.
7. Raise flag for selected course under Race Committee flag and lash start gun to rail aimed away from the line.
8. DON'T BE RUSHED! POSTPONE IF NECESSARY! RC may transmit instructions and monitor VHF Channel 72.

9. Record all racers in the area of the racecourse prior to hoisting the starting signal. This information must be recorded. This information is important in the event that the race is abandoned.
10. Hoist warning (start) flag. Correct timing of gun and shape is essential. Record class starter's sail numbers at this time. NOTE: If gun is not fired in conjunction with the hoist of the shape, the shape signifies the desired task.
11. One minute later raise the Preparatory (blue with white square) shape with a gun.
12. Three minutes after raising, lower the Preparatory (blue with white square) shape with a gun.
13. One minute later remove start flag with a sound and simultaneously raise the start flag for the next start.
14. Make decision to shorten course - see race instructions.
15. After all classes have started *move the RC boat to the finish position. Set anchor and hoist blue shape to signify "on station" for finishes.*
16. When in doubt, shorten course. Refer to "Race Signal Flags."
17. Prepare ahead of time for the finish! Take time and sail numbers on the order of finish sheet, fire gun for first boat to finish in each class, taking protest reports, etc.
18. **AN ORDER OF FINISH SHEET IS MANDATORY! NO EXCEPTIONS - NO EXCUSES.** All RC skippers must sign order of finish sheet to get credit for serving RC.  
  
*Note: The **Hobie fleet** time limit for each race shall be two hours after the class start. Boats finishing more than thirty minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes shall be scored DNF.*
19. Immediately after the race, return to NSSC with the order of finish sheet and protest reports and check in with the operations officer, results chairperson and race chairperson.
20. Consult Race Instructions for further information.

**ANCHOR BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS**  
**As Amended October 13, 1993**

**Article I: Name**

The name of this association shall be Anchor Bay Yacht Racing Association.

**Article II: Purpose**

The purpose of the Association is to promote and manage a series of competitive events on Northern Lake St. Clair and adjacent waters, and to act as an intermediary between member organizations in preparing a calendar of marine events. It shall act as the representative of its members in interactions with other Yacht Racing Associations. The Association shall promote such social events as will foster harmonious fraternal relations among member clubs to accomplish its purpose.

**Article III: Membership Classes**

1. Voting Members: All sailor yacht clubs and one-design or owner organizations in the Anchor Bay area are eligible for membership in the Association. Eligible groups become voting members upon payment of established dues. Other class and owner associations may become members of the Association by application or invitation upon approval of the current voting members and payment of dues.
2. Racing Members: Individuals who are members in good standing of voting member organizations recognized under Item 1 and who intend to participate in racing, become racing members by registration for a racing series, and payment of racing fees. The Executive Board may accept other individuals, for not more than one racing season, provided that such exceptions promote the sport of yacht racing. While ABYRA maintains membership in the Detroit River Yachting Association, eligibility of DRYA sustaining members is also granted.
3. Associates: Individuals who support the purpose of the Association, but who do not desire to register for racing, may become an Associate of the Association by application and payment of established fees.

**Article IV: Member Rights**

1. Voting Members: Voting members shall each have one vote in items of business at regular or special meetings of the Association. Each voting organization shall appoint one

delegate to the Association. The voting member shall give the delegate full authority to represent the member in all votes.

2. Racing Members: Racing members have full rights and privileges to participate in all scheduled racing events, to participate in all discussions and freely render opinions at all meetings, to serve on committees, and to become officers.
3. Associate Members: Associate members have the right to participate in all discussions and freely render opinions at all meetings, and to serve on committees and to become officers.

### **Article V: Officers**

The officers of this Association are a Commodore, Past Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall be members of member clubs and be nominated from the membership and, except for the Past Commodore, be elected by the voting members at the annual meeting to serve for one year. They shall take office at the close of the meeting. Candidates for Commodore shall have served during the immediately previous year as either an officer of the Association or a delegate from a voting member.

The Commodore shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall conduct its normal affairs. He shall oversee and have control of all committees whose heads are not otherwise designated. He shall have the power to appoint special committees as needed.

Past Commodore is the Commodore of the immediate previous season and is not an independently elected post, who, at his option, shall assist the remaining board members with advice and counsel and who shall be responsible for preparations and planning of the haul out party.

The Vice Commodore shall assist the Commodore in the performance of his duties, and shall perform the duties of the Commodore in the event of his absence or incapacity. He shall appoint the Nomination Committee members.

The Rear Commodore shall oversee and have control of the Race Committee. He accepts, validates, and has final judgment on all registrations. He appoints times, judges and personnel required to run the individual races. He prepares the initial results for

presentation to the Protest Committee, and supplies all watercraft required to safely conduct any sponsored event.

The Secretary will maintain and is the custodian of the minutes, files and records of the Association and will conduct correspondence as needed.

The Treasurer receives all dues, fees and other income and disburses funds. He is the custodian of the perpetual trophies, and handles arrangements for prizes and trophy presentations.

#### **Article VI: Executive Board**

The Executive Board of this Association shall consist of the Commodore, Past Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board shall have the power to transact normal business of the Association during the time between membership meetings. The Board shall meet from time to time as is necessary and confer on the business of the association. Delegates from voting members shall be invited to attend and have the right to participate in all discussions and freely render opinions, however only executive board members are entitled to vote at an executive board meeting.

#### **Article VII: Standing Committees**

The Standing Committees of the Association are:

1. Race Committee: This committee shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of all races.
2. Protest Committee: This committee shall have jurisdiction over the arbitration and solution of protests arising out of races.
3. Nominating Committee: The Vice Commodore shall appoint at least three persons to this committee by the end of July. This committee shall nominate a slate of officers and transmit the slate to the Secretary at least one month before the annual meeting.

#### **Article VIII: Meetings**

1. Regular membership meeting in April to present the schedule of events for the season.
2. Regular membership meeting in October to elect officers and conduct critique of past schedule of events. This shall be the annual meeting of the Association.

3. Special membership meetings called by the Executive Board or by petition of at least three voting members by mailed notice two weeks prior to the meeting.
4. Quarterly Executive Board meetings to conduct required Association business.
5. Special Executive Board meetings called by the Commodore by mailed notice one week prior to the meeting.

#### **Article IX: Dues and Fees**

1. Voting member dues shall be set by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present at any regular or special meeting, provided that members are given two weeks prior notice of change.
2. Race registration fees shall cover the cost of printing and mailing organization information and race instructions. The Executive Board sets the fee.
3. Associate Fees shall cover the cost of printing and mailing organization information. The Executive Board sets the fee.

#### **Article XI: Amendments**

These By-laws may be amended by 2/3 majority of the voting members present at any regular or special meeting, provided that members are given the full text of the proposed amendments two weeks prior to the meeting.