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2007 ANCHOR BAY RACE SCHEDULES

Albatross Yacht Club Tuesday Twilight Series

Tune Up	May 8	Warning 7:00 pm
Spring Series	May 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26	7:00 pm
Summer Series	August 7, 14, 21, 28 September 4, 11, 18	7:00 pm

NSSC Wednesday Night Summer Fun Sail Series

May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11, 18, August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, September 5, 12	7:00pm
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Clinton River Catalina Association Thursday Night Series

Tune Up	May 10	7:00 pm
Spring Series	May 17, 24, 31 June 7, 14, 21, 28 (Make Up)	7:00 pm
Fall Series	August 9, 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 20 (Make Up)	7:00 pm

NSSC Friday Night Top Gun Series

Spring Series	May 11, 18, 25, June 8, 15, 22	7:00 pm
Summer Series	Aug 3, 17, 24, 31, September 7, 21	7:00 pm

Invitational Races on Anchor Bay

NSSC Boston - Yachtsman Race	Sunday, June 10	12:30 pm
NSSC Past Commodore's Race	Sunday, July 8	12:30 pm
AYC Jack & Jill	Sunday, August 5	11:00 am
AYC St. Elmo's Night Race	Friday, August 10	7:00 pm
NSSC Macomb Daily Race	Sunday, August 12	12:30 pm
NSSC Rum Keg FUN Cruise/Race	Saturday, August 18	11:00 am
CRCA Invitational	Sunday, August 19	11:00am
AYC Annual	Sunday, August 26	11:00 am
NSSC Birthday Race	Saturday, September 8	12:30 pm
NSSC Howard Boston Memorial Race	Sunday, September 30	11:00 am

NSSC Anchor Bay Fall Series: Flags for Every Race!

Sundays – September 30	11:00 am
Saturday -- October 6, 13, 20	11:00am

DETROIT REGIONAL YACHT-RACING ASSOCIATION

<http://www.drya.org>

DRYA phone number: 586-778-1000

2007 Regatta Schedule

May 12	Saturday	NSSC	Tune Up Regatta
May 19	Saturday	GLYC	Leukemia Cup
May 20/26	Saturday	DYC	River Challenge
May 29-July 03	Tuesday	GPSC	Sundown Series
June 1-3	Fri-Sunday	BYC	NOOD Regatta
June 8-9	Friday	TYC	Mills Race
June 9	Saturday	GLYC	Single/Doublehanded
June 15	Friday	WYC	Windsor Overnight
June 23	Saturday	DBC/GPC	DBC/GPC Regatta
June 23	Saturday	DSA	DH Lake Huron
June 23	Saturday	GLSSA	Mac Solo
June 26	Tuesday	DSA	Round Huron
June 30-July 1	Sat-Sun	SYC	Try-Sea Regatta
June 30-July 1	Sat-Sun	PHYC	Lake Huron Regatta
July 6,7	Saturday	GPSC	Lake Huron International
July 14	Saturday	CYC	Chicago - Mackinac
July 21	Saturday	BYC	Pt Huron - Mackinac
July 10-Aug 28	Tuesday	GPSC	Sundown Series
July 28	Saturday	GIYC	Down River
July 29	Sunday	GIYC/ILYA	Deep Water Feeder
July 30-August 1	Mon-Wed	ILYA	Bay Week
August 8-Sept 12	Wednesday	LSSC	Sunset Series
August 11	Saturday	GPYC	GPYC Regatta
August 17	Saturday	EBC	EBC Regatta
August 25	Saturday	CSYC	CSYC Regatta
August 31-Sept 2	Fri-Sunday	PHYC	Leukemia Cup
September 1	Saturday	SYC	Friendship Race
September 8	Saturday	DYC	DYC Sweepstakes
September 14-15	Fri-Saturday	DSA	DH Championship
September 15	Saturday	BYC	Long Distance Race
September 22	Saturday	GPYC	Bluenose
September 29	Saturday		Single Handed
October 6	Saturday	LSSC	LSSC Team Challenge
Sept 30-Oct 27		GLYC	Fall Series



ANCHOR BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION

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

Commodore	Greg Beatty	grdebeatty@yahoo.com
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Member Club Representatives

AYC	Greg Beatty, Greg Thompson
CRCA	Doug Post, Mike Bracket, Paul Krutty
NSSC	Dan VandenBossche, Murphy Palmer

ANCHOR BAY RACING

Anchor Bay Racing guidelines cover the following series:

- AYC Tuesday Twilight Series
- NSSC Wednesday Night Summer Fun Series
- CRCA Thursday Night Series
- NSSC Friday Night Top Gun Series
- Invitational Club Races

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.

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

JAM 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.

ASSYMETRICAL as defined by the by the Mackinac Cruising Class guidelines.

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. The Race Chairman must receive a current rating certificate or proof of rating change at least three days prior to an applicable race. Up to a 10-second per mile penalty may be

placed on all boats not having a rating 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.)

For more information contact the Detroit Regional Yacht Racing Association (DRYA) at 586-778-1000 or online at www.drya.org.

Final class placement will be determined by the Club sponsoring the race. No single-handed sailing is allowed.

*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. Ratings will be assigned according to the most recent available information. Current DRYA certificates are a valid guideline to establish ratings. Therefore, it is strongly suggested all competitors obtain a current DRYA PHRF certificate before the start of the season. No new credits or favorable rating changes will be applied without a valid current DRYA PHRF certificate. If a certificate is presented after the start of the season favorable changes will be applied only to the remaining races.*

Twilight Racing Starting Sequence
All times are approximate

Sequence Alert	1855 Hours	4 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

Throw outs are allowed according to the following table with the exception that DSQs cannot be thrown out.

Number of races in series	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Number of races to qualify	1	2	2	3	4	4	5
Number of throw outs	0	0	1	1	1	2	2

Race committee duty cannot be used to meet the minimum number of qualifying races for a series or a season.

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

The registered skipper of each yacht shall provide himself plus at least two 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.

Boats whose skippers are serving race committee cannot race and are scored DNC. Skippers encouraged to sign up for committee boat duty at the Skipper's Meeting. After all dates are filled any remaining boats will be assigned a race duty by the committee boat chairman.

Committee boat duty is an important function. We all need accurate starts and finishes. It is the responsibility of the committee boat's skippers to properly staff the committee boat. At least 6 crew members are needed. Skippers must follow proper committee boat procedures, as found in the committee boat handbook. At least **two**

accurate order of finish sheets must be provided in a timely fashion after the race. A committee boat crew member must remain until finish times are properly recorded by the Race Chairman. The Committee Boat Chairman is available to answer any questions to ensure proper race procedures. If you are unsure about procedures, ask. Committee boat procedures will be reviewed at the Skipper's Meeting.

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 (DSQ) 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 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.

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 may 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 white buoys with orange and silver stripes, approx 7 inches in diameter and 5 feet tall. They are unlit.

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 four-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 short sound	5*
Preparatory	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag; 1 short sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 short 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. Time limits for specialty or long distance races will be posted in the Notice of Race.

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 Invitational Series

2007 Invitational Race Dates

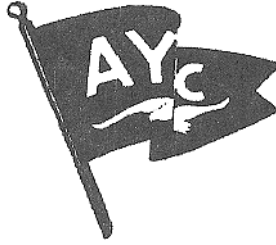
June 10	NSSC	Boston-Yachtsman Race
July 8	NSSC	Past Commodore's Long Distance Race
August 10	AYC	St. Elmo's Night Race
August 12	NSSC	Macomb Daily Race
August 19	CRCA	Invitational Race
August 26	AYC	AYC Annual Race
September 8	NSSC	NSSC Birthday Race

ABYRA Boat of the Year

The ABYRA Invitational Series will use the results of the member clubs invitational races to choose its Boat of the Year. The skippers of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place boats will be recognized at the 2007 ABYRA Haul Out Party with the 1st place skipper receiving the Boat of the Year Trophy.

Scoring

A minimum of five races must be sailed to qualify for series awards. Since the races may have different classes available for competition, and competing boats may choose to race in different classes from event to event, and since the number of boats starting may vary from race to race, the ABYRA Invitational Series will be scored using the Cox-Sprague Scoring System (as described in Yacht Race Scoring, by F. Gregg Bemis).



ALBATROSS YACHT CLUB
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Flag Officers & Committee Chairs

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Secretary	Sue Thompson	586-726-6103
Race Chairman	Michael Clow	248-865-0378
Protest Chairman	DRYA	586-778-1000
RC Boat Chairman	Greg Thompson	586-726-6103

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 5 and August 28.

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: AYC members in charge of club races will be exempt for their series duties.

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.

Thames River Club Race: June 6

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): May 20

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 10

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 5

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 26

This race is a modified Olympic course.

AYC Memorial Trophy Race (Club Race): September 22

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

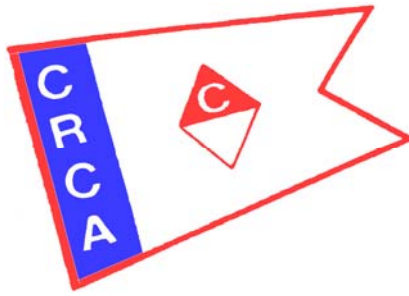
A boat must qualify for both spring and summer series in order to qualify for the season overall awards. The best ten races will then be used to calculate the overall awards. Awards will be given out at the ABYRA Haul Out Party.

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

www.crcasail.org

Flag Officers

Commodore	Deanna Lundy	586-228-5864
Vice Commodore	Pat Morell	586-786-1673
Treasurer	Linda Reed	248-652-3325
Secretary	Jean Post	586-412-7864
Member At Large	Steve Smith	248-224-4262

Race Chairman

Racing **Paul Krutty** **248-649-0597**

Entries: All Catalina yachts that conform to the specification set fourth 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 CRCA Race Committee. Anyone who has never raced with CRCA may race one series without being a member. The owner or an immediate family member must be on board during each race.

Schedule of Races

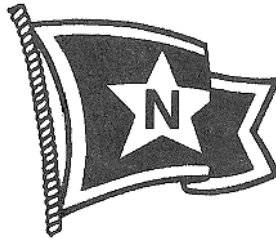
DATE	SPRING	SUMMER
May 10	Tune Up Race	
May 17	Race 1	August 9
May 24	Race 2	August 16
May 31	Race 3	August 23
June 7	Race 4	August 30
June 14	Race 5	September 6
June 21	Race 6	September 13
June 28	Make Up	September 20

SPECIAL EVENTS

June 2 Fun Race

August 25 Invitational Race is open to all yachts and is part of the ABYRA Invitational Series.

Appendix 1, designating courses and signals will be distributed with this Handbook to all boats registered for CRCA races.



NORTH STAR SAIL CLUB

<http://www.northstarsail.org>

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

Flag Officers

Commodore	Greg Swetka
Vice Commodore	Everett Rezendes
Rear Commodore	Murphy Palmer
Fleet Captain	Jim Rodgers
Secretary	Jim Vander Jagt
Treasurer	Howard Iwrey
Past Commodore	Pat Doherty

Directors

Social Activities	Brian Isaacs
Membership & Work Hours	Michael Parrow
Outside Maintenance	Chuck Drummond
Communications	Doug McEvoy
Indoor Maintenance	Bill Spencer

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

Top Gun Series - sponsored by



and



Top Gun Race Chairperson:	Dan VandenBossche 586-530-6917 dan@anchorbayspecialties.com
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Spring Series:	May 11, 18, 25 June 8, 15, 22
Summer Series:	Aug 3, 17, 24, 31 Sept 7, 21

Come on out Friday evenings and be a Top Gun! (At least at having fun!) Kick off the weekend with some great racing sponsored by Doyle Sailmakers and Anchor Bay Specialties. All racers, crew and their families are invited back to NSSC after the race for food and fun (and a fine beer or two)! 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. You can find Friday night's results online at www.warmgear.com.

Top Gun Season Overall Awards

Overall for JAM and PHRF divisions are awarded at the end of the season. 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 (2005-2008), 2005 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.

NSSC Invitational Series: We have taken the six more traditional North Star invitational races and made a series. Race any 4 of the 6 to qualify for the series awards. If 4 or fewer races go off, then all count. Fill out the race registration form (available in the rack), we will issue sailing instructions before each race. You just have to show up. The races are: the Boston-Yachtsman, the Past Commodore's Race, the Macomb Daily Race, the Rum Keg Fun Race/Cruise, the NSSC Birthday Race, and the Howard Boston Memorial. Members of ABYRA clubs WELCOME!

DRYA Tune Up Race: May 12

This race day is designed to be a tune-up for any and all DRYA and 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 Boston -Yachtsman Race: June 10

Boston 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 Past Commodore's Race: July 8

The Past Commodore's Race is a longer distance event. Good chance that there will be some racing in the dark, so use it as a tune up for the Mac! Come party at the club afterward.

NSSC Macomb Daily Race: August 12

The Macomb Daily makes sure that this 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 TRYC: August 18

The Thames River Yacht Club is the destination. It doesn't matter if you are a racer or cruiser, how you get there is not important as long as it's by boat. Leave the North Star Saturday, spend the night at the TRYC. Food and fun in Canada, eh!

NSSC Birthday Race: Saturday, September 8

60 years young this year! 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 16 (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!!

NSSC Howard Boston Memorial Race: September 30

This race is the first 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: September 30, October 6, 13, 20

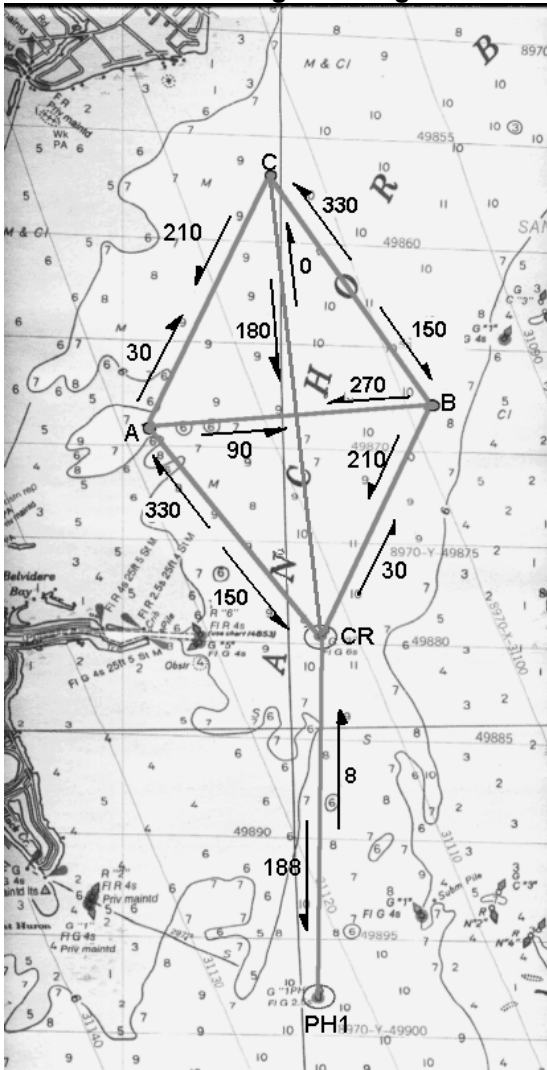
This series has continued to gain more momentum over the years. No need to motor for over an hour through cold fall mornings to get to the course has been a key reason for the popularity with northern Lake St. Clair boats. The season always has a wide range of weather conditions in store, usually including 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!

Wed Night Summer Fun Sail Series:

Come on out and sail! Wednesdays are fun again! These races/participation events are open to any boat that floats and has sails. Never participated in an organized event? We have a experienced sailors who will go out with you to eliminate the intimidation factor. Dates are: May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11, 18, August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, September 5, 12

ANCHOR BAY GENERAL COURSE DIAGRAM

Not For Navigation
Course Headings are Magnetic

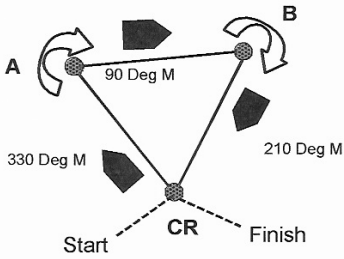


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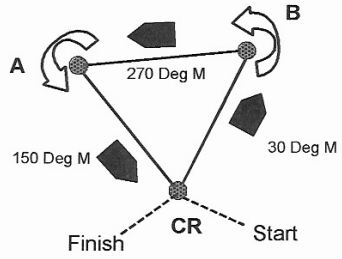
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A	42° 36.92'	82° 46.00'
B	42° 37.16'	82° 43.65'
C	42° 38.60'	82° 44.75'
1PH	42° 32.79'	82° 44.78'

COURSE DIAGRAMS

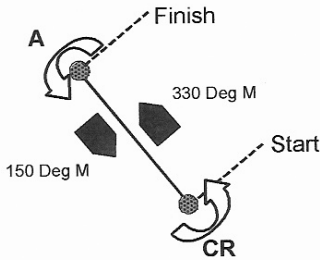
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Triangle to Starboard



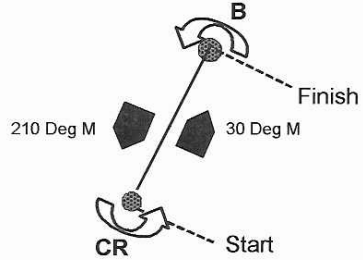
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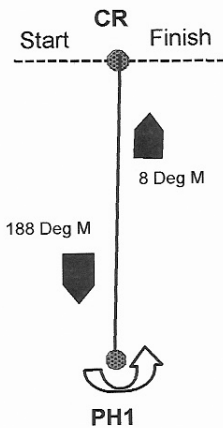
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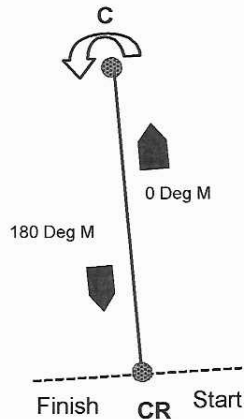
Course B
Windward/Leeward to B



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. Tuesday Twilight RC call race chairperson to arrange for pick-up. Wednesday Twilight and Friday Twilight 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).
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
120° 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 February 21, 2005

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

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 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 member organizations and payment of dues. Once accepted they may exercise all member rights.

Article IV: Member Rights

Each of the member organizations shall appoint two delegates to the Governing Board, both of whom can vote in items of business at regular or special meetings of the Association. The member organization shall give the delegates full authority to represent the member organization in all votes. They shall have been identified prior to the October meeting and assume the role of delegates immediately following that meeting. They will serve for one year. Delegates must be present at any meeting to vote. At least fifty per cent of the delegates must be present at any meeting to constitute a quorum.

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 a prior year as a delegate from a member club.

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 past Commodore shall remain as an independent voting member. He shall not officially represent any member organization while serving in this office.

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: Governing Board

The Governing Board of this Association shall consist of the elected officers and delegates from the member organizations. The Board shall have the power to transact normal business of the Association,

meeting as is necessary to confer on the business of the association.

Article VII: Committees

The Governing Board will appoint committees as required.

Article VIII: Meetings

1. The Governing Board will meet as necessary in the fall to identify upcoming member organization events dealing with conflicting event dates and develop, a final schedule for submission to the appropriate government offices for final approval.
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 Commodore, Governing Board or by petition of at least six voting members by mailed notice two weeks prior to the meeting.
4. The Association will schedule a Spring Skipper's meeting to introduce the Association Governing Board and to present the schedule of events to member organization sailors.

Article IX: Dues and Fees

1. Member organization dues shall be set by a 2/3 majority of the member organization delegates present at any regular or special meeting, provided that member organization delegates are given two weeks prior notice of change.
2. Race registration fees when required to offset racing expenses will be set by the Governing Board.
3. Fees may be required to cover costs associated with the promotion and support of racing on Anchor Bay. These fees will be set by the governing board.

Article X: 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.