



## 2024 New Suffolk Series **Notice of Race**

Peconic Bay Sailing Association, the organizing authority, cordially invites you to participate in the 2024 New Suffolk Race Series ('Summer Series') sailed on the waters of the Peconic Bay near New Suffolk, NY. The fleet generally consists of two classes: Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker ('Cruising', which may be divided into A and B divisions). Additional classes or divisions may be established at the discretion of the Race Committee Chairman.

Race results are posted on the PBSA website ([www.pbsa.us](http://www.pbsa.us)) as soon as practicable following each race. Trophies will be awarded for best performance in the race series, by class and division, subject to the number of participants. Trophies are awarded at a scheduled awards event after the end of the season.

**CONTACTS:** PBSA Commodore: [Dave Kilbride](#)  
Race Committee Chairman: [Peter Carroll](#)

### **SCHEDULE OF RACES:**

1	Sunday June 9	Ray Krogman Memorial Race	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm
2	Sunday June 23	Jackrabbit	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm
3	Saturday July 6	'OCYC July 4 <sup>th</sup> ' Race*	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1300	1:00pm
4	Sunday July 21	Race 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm
5	Sunday August 4	Race 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm
6	Sunday August 18	Legends Cup	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm
7	Saturday August 24	Fisher Cup OCYC*	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1300	1:00pm
8	Sunday September 8	John Lockwood Memorial Race	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning 1400	2:00pm

\* Co-hosted with the Old Cove Yacht Club

**RULES:** The race series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, including the prescriptions of US Sailing. In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern. This changes RRS 63.7.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The events are open to all monohull yachts eligible for racing in the PHRF of Eastern Long Island Yacht Association (ELIYA) handicap fleet. Multihull sailboats may be eligible to race by making special arrangements for starts and scoring with the Race Committee Chairman. All participating yachts are required to have a working VHF radio on board.

**ENTRY & RATING:** No pre-registration is necessary, but it *is* required for any Sunset Pursuit race(s).

All monohull yachts wishing to enter, receive scoring and be eligible for trophies, must have a current PHRF Certificate issued by the [Eastern Long Island Yachting Association](#) with a copy provided to the Race Committee Chair or communicated to the Race Committee no less than 48 hours prior to the first participation in a race of the series. Certificates will be accepted by mail (PBSA, P.O. Box 1196, Cutchogue, New York 11935) or by e-mail to the Race Committee Chair [Peter Carroll](#). Monohull yachts not submitting a Rating Certificate will be assigned a day rating by the Race Committee using the lowest PHRF handicap for the yacht's design published in US Sailing's most recent [U.S. Sailings PHRF Class Handicaps Lookup](#). Ratings assigned in such circumstances are not subject to appeal. This changes RRS 78.2.

**FEES:** There shall be no race entry fee for current 'Full' PBSA members. Non-members and other members are eligible to participate in one race for a fee of \$30. Thereafter, said yachts are eligible to participate in additional races only if the skipper has joined the PBSA and paid the appropriate membership fee. The one-time entry fee is waived for OCYC members who race in either or both of the July 4th race or the Fisher Cup but no other Summer Series race. Any yacht which crosses the

starting line at the time of a start will be liable for the entry fee, if it applies, and for scoring in the series as per the scoring rules. However, yachts failing to comply with the fee requirements will not be scored. This changes RRS A5.1

**RACING AREA:** The start area for most races is in the vicinity of the Wednesday Night Race starting line south/east buoy S "2" southeast of the entrance to Wickham Creek. Entrants should look for the designated Race Committee boat flying the blue and red "RC" flag in leeward parts of the harbor. Please consult the Sailing Instructions and the PBSA website for potential courses selected to suit specific wind and tide conditions. The PBSA Race Committee will broadcast the start location and course for each race on VHF Channel 71 one-half hour prior to the start and upon arriving on station.

**CLASSES:** The scoring will divide participants into Spinnaker and Cruising classes. The class "Other" will be used for other classes or as the RC designates. The Sailing Instructions will indicate the starting sequence and order of starts, which may be modified on the water by the Race Committee.

**SCORING:** PHRF time-on-time (ToT) handicapping will be used in all races except the Sunset/Pursuit Races, which will use starting times derived from time-on-distance (ToD) PHRF handicapping for the selected course. Consistent with advice provided by US Sailing regarding the use of the PHRF time-on-time handicap system, the Race Committee will apply a "formula constant" for ToT races that is appropriate for the average prevailing wind conditions for each race (light, moderate or strong).

A minimum of five (of eight) races must be finished to qualify for series scoring. Series scores will be based on a contestant's best five results. Contestants not sailing a race due to Race Committee service may receive a score for the missed race equal to the average (rounded up or down to the nearest whole position) of their other qualifying races (minimum of four) for the missed race.

The low point system, as per RRS Appendix A, will be used for scoring.

'Golf Handicap': the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>-placing entrants in each of the races after the first race of the season will carry a 9, 6 or 3 second rating penalty, respectively, for the next race in the series, including the Sunset (Pursuit) Race. Boats participating in the Sunset Race will have their start times adjusted consistent with their rating penalty. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1 and Appendix A9.

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** [Standing Sailing Instructions](#) for the series are posted on the [PBSA website \(https://pbsa.us/New-Suffolk-Series\)](#). As a general rule, the Sailing Instructions will not be available on the water.

**SOCIAL (NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE):** Post-race parties may be held following the PBSA Summer Series races. Food will be supplied by the hosts and underwritten by the PBSA. Attendees should bring their own beverages.

Donations of \$10 per attendee (member or non-member) are required at each post-race party to help defray costs. See the PBSA website and look for announcement emails for updates regarding party details and RSVP requirements.

The party and awards for the July 4th and Fisher Cup races are typically on the same day as the race at 5.30pm at the OCYC clubhouse on Old Harbor Road during their annual commissioning and decommissioning cocktail parties. There is normally a cash bar at these parties. PBSA members and guests attending are encouraged to bring a 'pot-luck' appetizer to the OCYC events.