

THE TWENTY HUNDRED CLUB 2023 Race Season

Notice of Race (NoR)

Sailors are reminded that under the new **2021-2024 RRS Appendix J**, "A rule in the notice of race need not be repeated in the sailing instructions," so the NoR and the <u>Sailing Instructions</u> (SI) documents must be used together.

1 RULES

- 1.1 All events are governed by the rules as defined in <u>2021-2024 Racing</u> <u>Rules of Sailing (RRS)</u>, this Twenty Hundred Club 2023 Notice of Race (NoR), and the appropriate race <u>Sailing Instructions (SI)</u>.
- The organizing authority (OA) is the <u>Twenty Hundred Club</u> (THC). The Spring Race also includes the <u>Tiverton Yacht Club</u> (TYC) as an OA and as host of the post-race social event.
- 1.3 Power driven winches and furlers are permitted in all events. This changes RRS_52 (Manual Power.)
- 1.4 The protest committee may impose a penalty other than a DSQ which may include a warning. This changes **RRS** 64.1.
- 1.5 Current year US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for the "Nearshore" category are applicable for all races. Details for both monohull and multihull vessels are on the US Sailing website at:

https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/serworld-sailing-special-regulations/

In addition to the US Nearshore racing requirements, all sailors under the age of 18 must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD at all times while racing.

1.6 The Race Season will consist of six Races and one Challenge.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted online at the Twenty Hundred Club (THC) Race Page no later than seven days before each race.
- 2.2 Any changes to the SI will be posted on the THC <u>Race Page</u> no later than two (2) hours before the first scheduled warning signal.



- 2.3 Any changes to the SI posted within 48 hours before the first scheduled warning signal will also be announced by the Race Committee via radio on VHF channel 72.
- 2.4 The OA will establish splits and the final scratch sheet will be available on the THC <u>Race Page</u> no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 All race documents, changes and notices will be posted on the THC Race Page.
- On the water, the Race Committee will monitor and communicate with competitors via radio on VHF channel 72. **All competitors are expected to continuously monitor this channel.**
- 3.3 All notices to competitors prior to 0600 on the day of the race will be posted on <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhc.2007/j
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.5 The Club also maintains social media accounts for informal communications on Facebook at THC@Facebook and on Instagram at Instagram/twentyhundredclub. Please consider following our account. To share regatta photos simply tag @Twenty Hundred Club in your post!

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Race is open to all yachts with a current <u>PHRF-NB</u> rating and to Multihulls having a current <u>New England Multihull Association</u> rating.
- 4.2 Registrants must be current year <u>THC</u> members, or for the Spring Race may be a Tiverton YC member.
- 4.3 Entries may be made in the following Classes:
 - Spinnaker
 - Cruising Canvas
 - Multihull.
- 4.4 <u>Cruising Canvas Class Rules:</u>
- 4.4.1 Spinnakers, mizzen spinnakers, and mizzen staysails are not allowed.
- 4.4.2 Only one sail at a time may be used forward of the mainmast except where a staysail may be used on a standard double-headed cutter rig. This does NOT prohibit a transient condition during sail changes.

- 4.5 A minimum of three boats is required to establish a Class (Spinnaker, Cruising, Multihull). This may be modified by the OA.
- 4.6 Yachts may change their Class by notifying the OA at RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org no later than 48 hours before the first warning signal for a race.
- 4.7 Each Class may be split into two Divisions (A & B, or I & II) based on the number of yachts entered in that Class. Splits will be determined by the PHRF ratings of the yachts in the class at the time of setting the final scratch sheet.
- 4.8 If permitted by a race's Sailing Instructions, yachts may elect to compete with Single-handed, Double-handed, or Youth Series Championship scoring.
- 4.9 <u>Youth Series Championship Rules:</u>
- 4.9.1 Youth Series Championship yacht crews MUST include one adult supervisor who has reached at least his/her 18th year and who is responsible for the vessel and crew. The adult supervisor may not helm, trim, or otherwise actively sail the vessel unless an emergency arises if he/she has reached his/her 25th year, but may coach.
- 4.9.2 No sailor, other than the adult supervisor, shall be permitted to participate if they have reached their 25th year by the date the race is held.
- 4.10 Yacht identifying numbers must be displayed on the mainsail.
- 4.11 Participants must enter and pay any associated fees on the THC Race Page.
- 4.12 Entries must be completed one week before the associated race.
- 4.13 Late entries will be accepted up to 48 hours before the first warning for a race with the payment of an additional fee.
- 4.14 The OA will establish Class splits and the final scratch sheets will be published on the THC <u>Race Page</u> no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal for the associated race.

5 FEES

5.1 The Twenty Hundred Club offers a Membership plus 5 Race Package for \$130 that includes membership and the entry fee for all THC races scheduled during the season. Race fees and associated deadlines are listed below for those who do not purchase the Membership/Race Package.

- 5.2 Participation in the Around Aquidneck Challenge and in the Bridge Fiasco is included in Club membership with no additional fee. Participants must still enter their yacht on the <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhc.2
- 5.3 All other THC race entries have a fee of \$40 if paid at least one week before the associated race. Club Membership (\$60) is required for participation in races.
- 5.4 Late entries for THC races are permitted up to 48 hours before the first warning for the associated race with a race fee of \$70.

6 SCHEDULE

- A date is provided for each race. No Storm Dates are provided. Should inclement weather be forecast, the OA will assess the forecasted conditions and, if a decision is made to cancel, shall post on the THC website and email registered competitors announcing the cancelation no later than 27 hours before the original first warning signal date.
- 6.2 Dates of racing:

Race	Date(s)	First Warning
Around Aquidneck Challenge	15 April to 31 Dec 2023	Not Applicable
Bridge Fiasco Race	Saturday, 13 May 2023	0900
Around Aquidneck Spring Race	Saturday, 17 Jun 2023	1030
Cuttyhunk Race	Saturday, 22 Jul 2023	1030
Block Island Race (Newport to BI)	Saturday, 5 Aug 2023	1030
Block Island Race (BI to Newport)	Monday, 7 Aug 2023	1030
Prince Henry Race	Saturday, 26 Aug 2023	0850
Around Prudence Fall Race	Saturday, 23 Sep 2023	1030

The Youth Series Championship for 2023 will be contested by qualified yachts as part of each THC race for the 2023 season (excluding the Around Aquidneck Island Challenge.)

7 VENUES

7.1 The starting and race areas are indicated in the table below and will be further defined in the Sailing Instructions.

Race	Starting Area	Race Area
Around Aquidneck Challenge	Various marks located around Aquidneck Island as designated in the SI	Waters around Aquidneck Island
Bridge Fiasco Race	Between Halfway Rock & Prudence Island	Narragansett Bay East & West Passage
Around Aquidneck Spring Race	Vicinity of Hog Island G3	Waters around Aquidneck Island
Cuttyhunk Race	Vicinity of Rose Island G3	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Buzzards Bay
Block Island Race (Newport to BI)	Vicinity of Rose Island G3	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Block Island Sound
Block Island Race (BI to Newport)	Vicinity of R2 Bell NW New Harbor entrance	Block Island Sound, Rhode Island Sound, Narragansett Bay
Prince Henry Race	Various marks in Narragansett Bay as listed in the SI	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Sakonnet River, Mount Hope Bay
Around Prudence Fall Race	Vicinity of Allens Harbor R14	Waters around Prudence Island

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed in each race will be specified in the SI for that race.
- 8.2 Course marks will all be government navigational buoy, and will be identified in the SI for each race.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 The protest committee may impose a penalty other than a DSQ which may include a warning. This changes **RRS 64.1**.
- 9.2 The 720-degree turns penalty, RRS 44.1 and 44.2, will apply.
- 9.3 **RRS Appendix P** does not apply.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System Appendix A of the RRS will apply, as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

- The THC assigns a PHRF penalty for competitors finishing in the top three positions for past years' races. These penalties are listed on the scratch sheet and are subtracted from the yacht's PHRF and displayed as "Final PHRF" on the scratch sheet. The Final PHRF values are used to calculate the corrected finish. Further information about the PHRF penalties may be found on the THC <u>Rules for Penalties</u> page. No PHRF penalties are applied for the Around Aquidneck Island Challenge.
- 10.3 The Block Island Race is scored as a series with awards for the race out, race back, and the overall series.
- 10.4 The Around Aquidneck Challenge is scored for the fastest corrected time awarded to each class.
- 10.5 Separate scoring for Single-handed, Double-handed and Youth Series Championship qualified yachts may be specified in a race's Sailing Instructions for specific Classes and Divisions.
- 10.6 <u>Youth Series Championship Scoring:</u>
- 10.6.1 Youth Series Championship qualified yachts are scored with supplementary time allowances added to the yachts' PHRF as follows:

Sailors Average Age	Supp. Time Allowance	
	(seconds per nautical mile)	
20 to 25 years	5	
16 to less than 20 years	10	
Less than 16 years	15	

Average ages computed without rounding.

- 10.6.2 The sailors' average age will be calculated on the date of the race, excluding the age of the required adult supervisor (unless the adult supervisor is between 18 and 25 years of age and an active participant in the youth entry).
- 10.6.3 Youth Series Championship qualified yachts may register for any THC race and use the Youth Series Championship Scoring.
- 10.6.4 The Youth Series Champion will be the qualified yacht with the lowest combined total for any three events in the series, applying the Low Point Scoring System Appendix A of the RRS. If a Youth Championship Series qualified yacht does not participate in three events, it may still qualify for Youth Series Championship awards, but will be scored 10 for every DNC to provide scores for three races.

11 RISK STATEMENT

11.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12 INSURANCE

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13 WAIVER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Competitors participate in each event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authorities and other sponsors will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after an event.
- 13.2 Each competitor participating in an event shall submit an online Liability and Media Waiver (part of the THC registration process) prior to racing.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Awards will be presented at the THC Spring Shore Party Dinner/Awards Banquet to be announced separately.
- 14.2 Prizes will be awarded to the boat in each Class with the best corrected time for the Around Aquidneck Challenge.
- 14.3 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each Class/Division for all other races.
- 14.4 Perpetual trophies will be awarded to yachts according to the criteria described on the THC Race Page at <u>Perpetual Trophies</u>.
- 14.5 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in the Youth Series Championship.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 Associate Memberships are available for a fee of \$10 to those who do not intend to enter a boat in any races. This membership includes all of the rights and privileges of full membership, including Club communications and voting at meetings, except for entering a boat in a race. Associate Members who decide they do wish to enter a boat in a race may upgrade to full membership.
- 15.2 Participants are encouraged (but not required) to use RaceQs at www.raceqs.com to self-report your race. To use RaceQs, a free account for your boat is required. A free iOS or Android app is also required. For each race, a specific race site hosted by RaceQs will be identified in that race's SI for uploading data and viewing participant replay.
- 15.2.1 Discrepancies and protests which could result in a DSQ may be resolved by the use of RaceQs reporting.
- 15.3 Post-race Events:
- 15.3.1 Bridge Fiasco: No post-race event is planned.
- 15.3.2 Spring Race Around Aquidneck: A post-race event will occur at the Tiverton YC. A limited amount of dock space is available at TYC at no charge for the post-race event. Overnight stays may be available; please contact TYC for availability. There are several other marinas in close proximity to TYC.
- 15.3.3 *Cuttyhunk Race*: There will be a friendly review of results at the commercial pier and public landing in Cuttyhunk Harbor at 1900 after the race.
- 15.3.4 Block Island Race: A post-race party and results announcement will occur on the beach between the Oar and Champlain's Marina in New Harbor in the afternoon/evening after the race from Newport to Block Island. Participants are requested to bring hors d'oeuvres to share. Libations and food will be available starting at 1800 with results announcement shortly thereafter. Meal tickets will be available at THC Social Events. Purchase prior to the race weekend is strongly recommended to identify necessary quantities of food and beverages. No social events are planned for the day after the race to BI or after the return race to Newport.
- 15.3.5 *Prince Henry Race*: If a post-race event is to occur, a separate email will be sent to competitors with specific information.
- 15.3.6 Fall Race Around Prudence: No post-race event is planned.
- 15.3.7 Further information is available by contacting the OA at RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org.