

# North Cape Yacht Club Yachting Activities

The Yachting Activities committee promotes racing and race related activities including seminars and Club sponsored races and series. In addition to hosting several major events each year, the Club sponsors midweek races throughout the yachting season. North Cape Yacht Club is a member of several yachting organizations including the US Sailing, the Inter-Lake Yachting Association (ILYA) and the Associated Yacht Clubs (AYC).

## **2026 NOTICE OF RACES**

### **Midweek, Regatta and Club Championship Series**

#### **1 General**

##### **1.1 Rules:**

This series will be governed by **The Racing Rules of Sailing** (hereafter referred to as the RRS), the Prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules of PHRF-LE, except as altered by this document, the **NCYC 2026 Notice of Races**, the **NCYC 2026 Midweek Sailing Instructions** and any other sailing instructions that apply. A series or event, other than Midweek, may also be governed by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions for its individual event. Where conflicts exist, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an individual event will take precedent.

##### **1.2 Eligibility:**

- ❑ Midweek races are open to any yacht owned or chartered by a member of North Cape Yacht Club, or if not a member of NCYC then to any other individual that is invited and accepted by the NCYC Yachting Activities Committee.
- ❑ All North Cape Yacht Club races, in order to comply with PHRF-LE rules as we interpret them, both in spirit and intent, will be classified as one of two classes of races:
  1. Club/inshore races including
    - a. Wednesday night series
    - b. Friday night series
    - c. Windward – leeward race series
    - d. Other races that stay within the confines of the NCYC club racing buoys
  2. Invitational/offshore races including
    - a. Mid-Channel Race
    - b. Double Handed Race
    - c. Dedication Day Race
    - d. Commodore Perry
    - e. O'Connell Fall Bay

Club/inshore races will require either a current restricted or unrestricted PHRF-LE rating certificate (see exceptions listed below).

Invitational/offshore races will require a current unrestricted PHRF-LE rating certificate (see exceptions listed below).

- ❑ Yachts without a certificate are to be assigned to a cruising class. If there is not a cruising class, a yacht may be allowed to compete in one race or one regatta series, one time, without a certificate with a rating adjustment of -7 seconds per nautical mile, based upon the standard "historic" rating for its class of yacht.
- ❑ Competitors with a valid PHRF certificate from areas other than PHRF-LE may race in a NCYC event with the appropriate PHRF-LE handicap rating value for their yacht.
- ❑ Each yacht shall submit with its series registration; a current copy of proof of insurance. Each yacht shall be insured with valid, third-party insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury or death.
- ❑ Eligibility for Regatta and Club Championship Series is limited to yachts owned or chartered by NCYC members (unless approved in writing by the Chairman, Yachting Activities).
- ❑ Appropriate entry fees, where required, must be paid in full in order to be eligible for a race and to be scored.

### 1.3 Registration:

Copies of registration forms are available from the NCYC web site, [Railmeets.com](http://Railmeets.com) or may be on the information rack at NCYC. Forms may be submitted as follows:

1. Send completed registration form, copy of 2026 PHRF-LE rating certificate, proof of insurance and the entry fee to: Yachting Activities, 11850 Toledo Beach Rd., La Salle, MI 48145.
  2. Completed forms with fees may also be turned in to the Club Manager or club staff at the bar.
  3. Additional registration for individual Regatta series events may be separate and subject to additional fees and rules established specifically for those events.
- After May 20, 2026, yachts wishing to enter the Mid-Week racing series may also turn in registration forms, certificates, etc. and fees to the Yachting Activities Chairman and must do so no less than 2 hours prior to a race. Failure to do so may result in the yacht not being scored for that race.
  - In order to be scored for the season or a Wednesday night series, all required documents as listed in 1.3.1 along with appropriate entry fees must be completed and received by one of the Yachting Activities Chairman.

### 1.4 Entry Fee:

The entry fee is \$95 for all three series on or before May 20, 2026, for yachts owned and operated by NCYC members and \$115 for non-members of NCYC. Yachts registering after the deadline will be subject to a \$20 late fee. There will not be a reduced entry fee of \$ 40 per series for participants who register their yachts for less than all three series.

### 1.5 Race Committee Participation:

Each NCYC participant shall complete a volunteer event during the season. The volunteer signup list is located between the men and women's heads in the clubhouse. A volunteer event shall be defined as one of the following:

- Race Committee for one midweek race
- Race Committee for one of the Friday Night JAM race
- Race Committee for one Regatta series event
- Serve a meal after a Wednesday Night race (coordinate meal with Bar Chair)

### Midweek Series

<b>1.6 Classes</b>	<b>1.7 Schedule:</b>
<b><u>Wednesday Nights</u></b> <input type="checkbox"/> PHRF A, B and C <input type="checkbox"/> JAM A, B and C	<b><u>Wednesday Nights</u></b> <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Series: May 20, May 27, June 3, June 10, June 17 <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Series: June 24, July 1, July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29 <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Series: Aug 5, Aug 12, Aug 19, Aug 26, Sept 2

### 1.8 Scoring

- Yachts will be scored for a series, in the class in which they race their first race. A yacht may not change classes during a series. Only eligible yachts that have properly registered and started will be scored.
- The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply with five races scheduled in each series, of which three shall be completed to constitute a series. Those participants competing in more than three races in a series will have their best three or 51% of available races scored for prizes.
- Season overall standings will be scored based on the best nine class or 51% of available finishes out of sixteen scheduled races.
- Red Cloud Trophy for PHRF and En Garde Trophy for JAM will be based on fleet overall finishes per the deed of gifts.

A yacht serving as a Wednesday night race committee will receive a score of one (1), in its class for the one race in which they serve if at least one crew member has completed a race committee volunteer event, approved by the Commodore or Vice-Commodore. If no one on the crew has completed an approved race committee volunteer event, the average score for the yacht's usual class will be awarded. Prior approval by the Commodore or Vice-Commodore can substitute for completion of an approved race committee volunteer event.

### 1.9 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third for each class in each series. Flags will be awarded for Season Overall standings, first, second and third for each class. There will be an Overall flag for each Fleet containing more than one class.

## 2 Regatta Series

<b>2.1 Classes</b>	<b>2.2 Schedule:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> PHRF A, B and C <input type="checkbox"/> JAM A, B and C <input type="checkbox"/> One design (min. 5 boats)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Champagne Race*</b> May 23-24 NCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Commodore Perry*</b> May 31 NCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Race for the Sisters</b> June 27 MBC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Deep Water Race*</b> July 30 NCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>FYC Regatta</b> Aug 8 FYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dedication Day Race*</b> Sept 5 NCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Green Island Race</b> Sept 6 PCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Mid-Channel Race*</b> Sept 19 NCYC <input type="checkbox"/> <b>O'Connell Fall Bay*</b> Sept 26-27 NCYC

### 2.3 Scoring

- The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply.
- Of the 10 events scheduled, five must be completed to qualify. Those participants competing in more than five events will have their best five events counted. For the Regatta Series, a boat under the same ownership is not eligible to qualify in both JAM and PHRF. Therefore, a boat must declare its intent to be scored in JAM or PHRF.
- Scoring in class for an event will be based on a boat's overall finish (including all competitors – not just those from NCYC) relative to other boats in its NCYC class. By example: For two boats from the NCYC Midweek, Regatta and Club Championship series "B" class race in an event where one boat is put in one class and the other in a second class, then their individual overall scores will be compared to determine their NCYC relative score for that event.
- Overall scoring will be based on overall results for each event counted (including all competitors – not just those from NCYC).

### 2.4 Prizes

Flags will be awarded for first, second and third place in each class of at least four boats, for first and second in a class of three boats, for first in a class of two boats or less plus first place overall for each division (PHRF and JAM) of at least two classes.

## 3 Club Championship Series

<b>3.1 Classes</b>	<b>3.2 Schedule:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> PHRF A, B and C <input type="checkbox"/> JAM A, B and C	<input type="checkbox"/> Midweek Series (3 series, 16 races) <input type="checkbox"/> Regatta Series (10 events), see above

### **3.3 Scoring**

- ❑ The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply.
- ❑ Of the 13 events scheduled, to qualify, a minimum of six must be completed. Of the six events a minimum of 1 Midweek Series and a minimum of 3 of the NCYC Regattas (marked in bold type and with an \*) must be counted. Those participants competing in more than the minimum number of events will have their best (6) events counted including at least 1 Midweek Series and three of the NCYC Regattas.
- ❑ Scoring in class for an event will be based on a boat's overall finish (including all competitors – not just those from NCYC) relative to other boats in its NCYC class. By example: Two boats from the NCYC Midweek, Regatta and Club Championship series "B" class race in an event where one boat is put in one class and the other in a different class, then their individual overall scores will be compared to determine their NCYC relative score for that event.
- ❑ Overall scoring will be based on overall results for each event counted (including all competitors – not just those from NCYC).

### **3.4 Prizes**

Flags will be awarded for first, second and third place in each class of at least four boats, for first and second in a class of three boats, for first in a class of two boats or less plus first place overall for each division (PHRF and JAM) of at least two classes.