

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2018 Jeff Robins Pursuit Race

Saturday July 28, 2018

A pursuit race is for all, both experienced racers and those new to racing. Yachts start individually at a time that is dependent on their theoretical speed. Slowest start first, fastest start last, the idea being - at least in theory - that all finish at the same time. There is no starting line anxiety for the less experienced sailors.

Eligibility

The race is open to all yachts at OYS, OC and BHYC that have signed an OYS liability wavier. There is no entry fee. Racing is under general OYS rules.

Registration

Yachts can register on the OYS website under Racing, or by filling in the Entry Form on the Racing Notice Board in the OYS Clubhouse. A yacht may register either as spinnaker/flying sail (FS) or white sail/non-flying sail (NFS). White sail registrants cannot upgrade to spinnaker and spinnaker cannot down grade to white sail after registering.

If you do not have a PHRF certificate, a rating will be assigned to you based on existing ratings of similar boats by the Handicapper.

Registration closes at 21:00 on July 26, 2018. No late registrations will be accepted.

Special time allowance

If you are new to racing, or have special needs, you may be eligible for a time advantage at the discretion of the Handicapper.

The course (see attached chart)

The start/finish line will be between two buoys that will be moored off Oakville harbour. Yachts start by crossing this line in a southerly direction proceeding to the outer range mark at 50 Mile Point, (Lat 43° 14.7' N / Long 79° 36.2' W) rounding this to port and then returning to the finish line crossing in a northerly direction. The race distance that will be used is 23.50 nautical miles.

The Start / Finish

Starting times for each yacht will be published on the OYS Race Notice Board by 08:00 on the day of the race. Time will be taken from the NRC Canada official time (ie GPS/cell phone time). The first start for the slowest yacht (highest PHRF rating) will be at 09:00. Other yachts will start at their prescribed time as determined by the Handicapper. A yacht may cross the start line any time after their posted start time.

A yacht must record their finishing time and enter it on the FINISHING FORM on the Racing Notice Board in the OYS Clubhouse.

There will not be a race committee boat at the start/finish line, but the race committee may be observing from the pier. The race time limit will be 17:00

Prizes

Flags will be awarded to the first 3 yachts in each fleet (FS and NFS), and the Jeff Robins Isotope Trophy to the winners. The flags and trophy will be presented at the OYS Awards Night banquet.

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