



WELCOME TO THE 2017 BYC RACING SEASON

The Bellingham Yacht Club (BYC) racing program has been running on Bellingham Bay for over 50 years. Racing runs from Mid-March through October and consists of over 20 Tuesday Dinghy Racing nights, 25 Wednesday Night Keelboat Races, 8 Long Distance Races and 5 regionally recognized regattas, including PITCH, Dale Jepsen One-Design, Women on the Water (WOW), Pac Rim and the Bellingham Youth Sailing regattas.

BYC maintains memberships in the Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) and US Sailing. These programs emphasize training and professionalism in sailing. US Sailing promotes and defines the racing rules of sailing, Olympic training, and many other programs. All BYC racing members should consider joining US Sailing to help the USA return to the top of the sailing world. There are many benefits and publications available on their site. Make sure to reference BYC on your membership application!

BYC welcomes boaters from all local and regional yacht clubs and boating organizations to participate.

To compete in the BYC's Racing Fleet Racing Program described in this race packet, boater owners/skippers **MUST** have submitted the following prior to competing in any season, series or race.

- Acceptance of Racing Liability Waiver
- Proof of Liability Insurance with a minimum \$300,000
- Registration

Included here are:

- BYC Sail Fleet Committee and Fleet Officer's Contact Information
- The Official *NOTICE OF RACE* for the 2017 Season

Sailing Instructions for both the Tuesday Night Dinghy Racing and the Wednesday Night Series will be posted on the BYC website. Sailing Instructions for season long distance races will be available on the BYC Website prior to the events.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF RACE

2017 BELLINGHAM YACHT CLUB SEASON RACES

- 1 **Organizing Authority** – The races described here are organized under the authority of Bellingham Yacht Club.
- 2 **Racing Location** - All races will be conducted in Bellingham Bay or adjacent inshore waters.
- 3 **Rules** - All races are governed by the rules as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 4 **Eligibility** - BYC welcomes boaters from all local and regional yacht clubs and boating organizations to participate.
- 5 **Registration Requirements**
 - 5.1 **Registration** for complete series or individual races is available on the BYC Website: <http://sailfleet.byc.org/> To compete in the BYC's Racing Season boat owners/skippers MUST submit the following prior to competing in any season series or race.
 - Acceptance of Racing Liability Waiver.
 - Proof of Liability Insurance with a minimum \$300,000 .
 - Registration and Entry Fees.
 - 5.2 **Registration Fees** –

• Wednesdays & Season Long Distance Races	\$75.00
• Tuesday Dinghy Races*	\$75.00

(* BYC Youth Racing Team includes racing fee, however Registration is required)
- Note: The following events are covered by a separate Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions and may require additional registration and fees:
 - Bellingham Keelboat One Design (BKOD) Regatta
 - Women on the Water (WOW) Regatta
 - Bellingham Youth Regatta
 - P.I.T.C.H. Regatta
 - Dale Jepsen One Design (DJOD) Regatta
- 5.3 **Measurement and Class Certificates** - In addition, all competitors in the PHRF classes must have a current PHRF-Northwest Rating Certificate in order to be scored. One Design Class competitors must be a member in good standing of their class association to be scored.

Note: To obtain a PHRF rating, contact the [BYC PHRF Rating Chair](#) listed in the Racing Fleet Committee.
- 6 **Sailing Instructions** – Sailing Instructions will be included in the registration packet at the time of registration or online at www.byc.org

- 7 **Starting Time** – The Warning Signal for the Wednesday Keelboat Series will be 1800. Starting times for other races will be provided in the applicable Sailing Instructions for those races.
- 8 **Courses** – Courses to be sailed will be designated in the “Courses” Appendix of the applicable Sailing Instructions for the series.
- 9 **Penalties** - For a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 while racing, RRS 44.2, the two turns penalty, is modified to require a one turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe, except that a two turns penalty shall be required for any foul committed inside the zone (three boat length circle) of any turning mark
- 10 **Scoring – Individual Races** This changes RRS A4.2
- 10.1 Scoring for the PHRF fleet shall be based on the Time on Time formula for Weekday Series Races; Time on Distance for Distance Races.
- 10.2 Boats not starting, finishing, disqualified or retired shall be scored as follows:
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| DNC (Did not come to the starting area) | = # Registered for series in class |
| DNS (Came to starting area, but did not start) | = # Starters +1 |
| OCS (On the course side of starting line & failed to re-start) | = # Starters + 1 |
| DNF (Did not finish) | = # Starters + 1 |
| RET (Retired) | = # Finishers + 1 |
| DSQ (Disqualified) | = # Registered + 1. |
- 12 **Series Scoring** - Individual Wednesday night races will be combined into 5 - week series. The worst 20% (rounded up to the nearest whole number) of each competing boat’s excludable races will be excluded from her series scores
- 13 **Awards**
- 13.1 **Wednesday Night and Long Distance Races** - Awards will be presented at the Bellingham Yacht Club Awards Banquet for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class for Wednesday Night Series and Long Distance Races.
Engravings will be made on the Perpetual Trophies for the overall winners of the Long Distance Races and presented.
- 12.2 **Boat of the Year** – In addition, the perpetual trophy for “Boat of the Year” will be announced and awarded at the Awards Banquet. A committee of BYC sailors shall be selected by the Racing Fleet Captain to calculate and select the “Boat of the Year” based on the following criteria: All places are within class.
- 12.3 **One Design Classes** – One design fleets may make separate Fleet Championship awards based on series scoring criteria set by the local class.

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