

POETS RACE SERIES 2021 Notice of Race

Sponsors;

The Race Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing except as stated in this notice.

The Race Series is OPEN to all Displacement Sail Boats as well as Non-Displacement Sail Boats. A base PHRF rating will be assigned by the Northern Rockies Sailing Association. Non Displacement boats will be assigned a handicap rating comparable to displacement boats with similar hull speeds etc. (Thistle 168 similar to J-24 168).

To gain an adjustment for sailing with an over or undersized sail, competitors will be required to complete a sail measurement form in its entirety, including Main, Largest head sail, and Spinnaker (if used) to be sailed during the series. An adjusted handicap will be assigned for use during the entire series. A standard headsail has an LP of 150%.

Races will be geared to beginner racers with an extra-long start line. Experienced racers who wish to race their boats are welcome with the caveat that consideration be given to all novice racers. Any rules infractions between experienced and Novice racers will be dealt with right after each race at the fire pit by the people involved. It is the obligation of experienced racers to contact the novice and explain the rule(s) involved and offer guidance at this time. Individuals with extensive racing experience are also encouraged to team up with a beginner on the beginner's boat. Protests between Experienced racers that are unresolved on the water need to be submitted prior to 30 minutes after the Race Committee ties up at the dock.

Spinnakers will be allowed. Those wishing to sail white sails only must declare so for the entire series.

Racing every Friday Night beginning June 24th 2022 and ends in August 26th 2022. Races in June and July start at 7:30 pm and in August start at 7 pm. A make up race is scheduled in September if needed. See NFYC calendar for exact dates. The Notice of Race will be available on the web site racing page before the beginning of the series. After racing, competitors gather around the fire for results and camaraderie. Contact Vice Commodore Brian Lockwood or Phil Healey for details.

Fleets: Fleets will be organized as follows based on Spinnaker PHRF numbers:

- A Fleet: displacement boats with PHRF 148 and lower
- B Fleet: Displacement boats with PHRF 149 thru 181
- C Fleet: displacement boats with PHRF 182 thru 234
- D Fleet: Displacement boats with PHRF 235 and higher

- One Design Fleets: Any group of three or more competitors may petition to race as One Design Fleet for the entire series and race according to their individual Class Rules.

Starting Order: The starting order for fleets will be displayed on the Committee boat for each race and will be at the discretion of the race management on the water. Fleet flags will be flown prior to the preparatory flag to indicate the next fleet start.

- A Fleet: blue flag with letter A in the center
- B and One Design Fleets: red flag with the letter B in the Center
- C and D Fleet: yellow flag with the letter C in the center