Humboldt Yacht Club



In Bay Keelboat – Women at the Helm 2025

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Notice of Race (NOR)

- 1 RULES
- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in <u>The Racing Rules of</u> <u>Sailing.</u>
- 1.2 All keelboats will sail the In-Bay buoy and marker courses and shall comply with the Nearshore category of the US Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) available at <u>www.humboldtyachtclub.org</u>. Boats must have an initialed copy of the SERs filed with Humboldt Yacht Club.

Rule 40.1 Wearing of personal floatation devices (PFD's), is in effect at all times while racing.

- 2.1 The sailing instructions are available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website (humboldtyachtclub.org) under the racing tab and at the skippers meeting on the day of each race.
- 3 COMMUNICATION
- 3.1 The official notice board will be located at the HYC Clubhouse in the Wharfinger Building, 1 Marina Way, Eureka, CA 95501
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16 and 69.

- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, channel 69.
- 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
- 4.1 The event is open to both members and non-members of the Humboldt Yacht Club. Non-members will not be scored for the series nor be eligible for prizes awards.
- 4.2 A minimum of 3 boats of the same design may be scored as a class, provided they are sailed in accordance with published class rules.
- 4.4 Skippers must sign up for a race day either at the pre-race meeting at the Club Room of the Wharfinger Building, one hour prior to the scheduled races on each race day or within 24 hours prior to the race day.
- 4.5 Each skipper and all crew members participating in this race (or series) must have signed and placed on file with HYC its "Perpetual Release of Liability and Waiver" form.
- 4.6 A skipper entering this series may not serve as Race Committee on a race day in this series.
- 5 FEES
- 5.1 There are no fees for the In Bay Women at the Helm, Keelboat Series.
- 9 SCHEDULE
- 9.3 Dates of racing:

February 16, 2025 1300 hrs September 28, 2025 1230 hrs

9.4 Number of races:

A minimum of one race and a maximum of three races will be sailed each race day at the discretion of the Race Committee based on weather conditions.

12 VENUE

- 12. The racing area will be in Humboldt Bay.
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- 13 COURSES
- 13. A course of buoy, or fixed mark, rounding within Humboldt BayCourse sheets.
- 15 SCORING
- 15. Finishing places will be calculated by the PHRF Time-on-Time
- 1 handicapping method. PHRF handicaps will be determined by the Humboldt Yacht Club for each boat racing by reference to the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet. Average PHRF handicaps will be determined on a case-by-case basis for boats not listed in this publication. This publication and current previously determined PHRF handicaps for member boats is available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website under the Racing tab.
- 15. The Low Point scoring system in Appendix A of the Racing Rules of2 Sailing will apply as amended below.
- 15. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.3
- 15. Each boat's series score, shall be the total of races scored, excluding
 4 her one worst race score if at least five races are sailed. If fewer than five races are sailed, each boat's series shall be the total of races scored.
- 15. A boat may elect to race in a *series* without a spinnaker. Boats
 5 electing to do so will be given +18 sec/mi on their PHRF handicap. Should said boat fly a spinnaker at any time during a *series*, their handicaps will be adjusted back to the standard PHRF for all races in the series retroactively and going forward. Boats may elect to do some series with a spinnaker and some without.
- 15. If a boat has entered any race in the series, she shall be scored forthe whole series. Refer to US Sailing Rule A5.3.
- 22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in
- 1 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.

- 24 PRIZES
- 24. Prizes will be awarded to boats occupying the first three places in theseries as long as at least four boats participate in the series. If threeor fewer boats participate in the series the Humboldt Yacht Club willdetermine an appropriate number of prizes.
- 25 FURTHER INFORMATION
- 25. For further information please contact the Humboldt Yacht Club Vice1 Commodore.