

# Whidbey Island Race Week 2008

## July 20 - July 25, 2008

### NOTICE OF RACE

Clear Ahead Marine Productions, 20415 33<sup>rd</sup> Street East, Lake Tapps, WA 98391

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**1. MANAGEMENT.** Whidbey Island Race Week will be conducted by Clear Ahead Marine Productions LLC which will have the authority to reject any entry before each race starts; interpret the rules and conditions of the race; and decide any protests. The fleet shall be divided into handicap and or one design classes according to rating and other factors at the discretion of Clear Ahead Marine Productions LLC

**2. ELIGIBILITY.** Race Week is open to cruising/racing yachts 20 to 70 feet LOA that:

- A. Are self-righting, properly rigged and ballasted and fully seaworthy. A provision will be made for a multi-hull class start provided there are at least 8 multi-hull yachts entered. Each yacht shall carry an operating VHF radio.
- B. Conform to the current PIYA Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodation Standards for Category III.
- C. Have a valid PHRF NW rating, comply with a one-design class (See *Rating and Classes*)

**3. RULES.** The rules governing Whidbey Island Race Week will be:

- A. The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2005-2008.
- B. For PHRF-rated boats, The 2008 Racing Rules of PHRF NW (published with their 2008 roster), and for boats racing in a one-design class, their class rules.
- C. This Race Notice, and The Sailing Instructions, including any amendments

**4. RATING AND CLASSES.** It is the responsibility of each entrant to have a valid rating certificate on file with Clear Ahead Marine Productions LLC.

A. All yachts in the PHRF Class must have a current PHRF-NW valid speed potential rating and certificate. Non PHRF-NW members may contact PHRF-NW at PHRF Northwest Business Office, PO Box 489, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; (253) 857-8858, FAX 425-962-8729; E-mail: [sailorgirl1@msn.com](mailto:sailorgirl1@msn.com) . A/R Forms, applications and other information are available at the PHRF NW Web site, [www.phrf-nw.org](http://www.phrf-nw.org) .

BC Sailing members can obtain an annual PHRF-NW rating for \$40 Canadian Funds. Contact Roger Lawton, BC Sailing, 6491 Pacific Drive, Duncan, BC V9L 5S5; (250) 748-4381, E-mail: [Lawton@islandnet.com](mailto:Lawton@islandnet.com).

It is the responsibility of each entrant to ensure that the data relative to his yacht held in the PHRF-NW or other PHRF data bank is current and correct and that he accepts the published or the temporary PHRF-NW rating for his yacht. Prior to the start of racing, ratings/certificates for all boats of a class or one-design for which there are multiple entries will be reviewed by a PHRF-NW handicapper and a panel of knowledgeable people appointed by Clear Ahead Marine Productions, LLC. The handicapper and Panel may make temporary adjustments to the ratings for those boats to ensure fair racing for this venue. Such adjustments will apply for Whidbey Island Race Week 2008 only. A rating modified by this process cannot be appealed (Modifies RRS 62.1). All such rating changes will be posted on the official notice board by 1900 on the Sunday, 20 July 2008.

Clear Ahead Marine Productions, LLC. assumes the database of PHRF-NW to be correct and will accept no responsibility or obligation arising from errors.

B. One design classes or groups of yachts wishing to level race will be given a start provided there are at least 10 yachts entered. Each yacht in a one-design class must comply with Class Rules and other requirements of this event.

**5. IDENTIFICATION.** Race Week Identification will be required for each person participating in any of the many Race Week activities. Skippers should order one for themselves and each person on their crew or guest list when entering (\$55). Additional guest Identifications will be available at Race Week Headquarters (\$65) but only Skippers may purchase them.

**6. MOORAGE.** Race Week Moorage is available at the Oak Harbor Marina, which has two-thousand feet of guest floats inside the breakwater. **NOTE: Race Week Entry does not include moorage.** For reservations and rates contact the Oak Harbor Marina, 865 SE Barrington Drive, Oak Harbor, WA, 98277, (360) 679-2628, Fax (360) 240-0603, Email [ohmarina@whidbey.net](mailto:ohmarina@whidbey.net) , <http://www.whidbey.net/ohmarina> . Yachts may anchor at no charge outside the breakwater. **Oak Harbor is not a Port Of Entry.** Canadian vessels should clear customs at Friday Harbor, Anacortes, Bellingham, or any other Port of Entry.

## 7. EVENTS

**Sunday, July 20 Registration-1200-1700:** Distribution of Identifications, Race Kits, Entry List and Special Instructions, Skippers Meeting Oak Harbor Yacht Club at 1700.

**Sunday, July 20 Opening Reception 1800 - 2000**

**Daily, July 21-25-Activities-0800-1030:** Shore side activities such as volleyball, sailing clinics and product demonstrations for Race Week participants with Identifications. Watch the official website for updates

**Daily, July 21-25-Racing-Scheduled Start 12:00** Racing in Crescent Harbor - Penn Cove - Saratoga Passage.

**Daily, July 20-25-Parties-1830-2030 (OR AFTER RACING!):** Evening social gatherings and award presentations with complimentary beverages and entertainment for Race Week participant with Identifications.

**8. AWARDS.** Race Week class awards will be presented daily for first, second and third place each day. Overall awards based on the cumulative scores for the week will be awarded to first, second, and third yachts in each class after the final race. In addition, special recognition will be given to the outstanding competitors.

**9. ENTRY PROCEDURE.** Please complete and mail an Entry Form with appropriate rating certificate and fees as soon as possible. An acknowledgment will be mailed to each entrant shortly after entry receipt.

A. Race Week Program, including Sailing Instructions, will be presented to each accepted entry at registration.

B. The regatta will be limited to the first 150 entries. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS LIMIT IS REACHED.

C. Entry closing will be July 5, 2008 or when the Limit has been reached.

D. By submitting an entry each owner/skipper certifies that they have read and accept the Conditions of Race Week and that the current and valid measurement certificate submitted with entry will be the rating application to the yacht at the start and throughout the series.

**10. FEES.** Entry Fee and Identification Fee are completely separate from Moorage Fees.

Entry Fee for Yacht (does not include ID)

For all entries received on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>:

Up to 28 feet LOA	\$350 US Funds.
29 to 35 feet LOA	\$400 US Funds.
36 to 40 feet LOA	\$450 US Funds.
Greater than 41 feet LOA	\$500 US Funds.

**\*For all entries received after June 15<sup>th</sup> a late fee of \$50 will be charged.**

Advertising Fee (if applicable) - \$100 US Funds

Identification Fee- Skipper/Crew/Guest-\$55 US Funds (\$65 at Event)

Identification Fee-Junior under 21-\$20.00 US Funds (\$25 at Event)

The **ADVERTISING FEE** is applicable to all boats that wish to comply with ISAF Category C, and will be applied to Race Week News or Program print advertising if desired. All boats not paying the advertising fee must comply with ISAF Category A. Boats desiring to advertise in the Race Week News or Program contact Clear Ahead Marine Productions for a rate sheet.

The ID Bracelet gives access to the site and is not a drink ticket. It is a fee to offset the cost of all activities at the site. These activities include live music, trophies, seminars, video, food and beverages. Underage crew and guests are encouraged to take part in the activities and will receive a different ID than adults.

Cancellations received by July 5, 2008 will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$100. Entry Fee will not be returned after this date.

**11. ACCOMMODATIONS.** Race Week participants desiring shore side accommodations information should contact the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Oak Harbor, WA 98277, (360) 675-3535 or view the website [www.whidbeyislandraceweek.com](http://www.whidbeyislandraceweek.com) under lodging.

**12. TRANSPORTATION.** Whidbey Island is accessible by land, sea and air via either private or public conveyances. Deception-Pass Bridge and Washington State ferries provide four alternative highway routes to the island. Saratoga Passage, Deception Pass and the Swinomish Channel offer three different water approaches.

**WHIDBEY ISLAND RACE WEEK 2008 OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

**PLEASE ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ENTRY:**

Yacht \_\_\_\_\_ Sail No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Model \_\_\_\_\_ LOA \_\_\_\_\_ PHRF Rating \_\_\_\_\_ ONE DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_  
 Builder \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_  
 Designer \_\_\_\_\_ Port \_\_\_\_\_  
 Skipper \_\_\_\_\_ Tel/Home \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel/Office \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby agree that the above named yacht will be outfitted and equipped in accordance with the PIYA Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations Standards Category III. I have read and executed the Waiver, Release and indemnification Clause attached with this entry form.

I also agree that any use of race results, photos, or written coverage of this event for promotional purposes will use the official name: WHIDBEY ISLAND RACE WEEK 2008. This is a PIYA Category III event.

\_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Owner [ ] Charterer \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** **Date**

- I am a member of PHRF Northwest and enclose my valid PHRF-NW certificate.
- I have applied for a rating and certificate from the PHRF Northwest.
- I am a member of a One-Design Fleet.

Entry must be accompanied by:

1. Rating Certificate or copy of application for same.
2. Proof of insurance for vessel.
3. Entry Fee: (Does not include I.D.) For all entries received on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>:
 

Up to 28 feet LOA:	\$350 US Funds.	\$ _____
29 to 35 feet LOA:	\$400 US Funds.	\$ _____
36 to 40 feet LOA:	\$450 US Funds.	\$ _____
Greater than 41 feet LOA:	\$500 US Funds.	\$ _____
* Entries received after June 15th a late fee of \$50 will be charged.		\$ _____
4. Identification Fee
 

Adult - \$55.00 US (\$65 at regatta)	No. _____	\$ _____
Junior (under 21) -\$20. US (\$25 at regatta)	No. _____	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ _____</b>

**Please make check payable in US FUNDS to:**  
**Clear Ahead Marine Productions**  
 20415 33<sup>rd</sup> Street East  
 Lake Tapps, WA 98391

**Tel: Seattle 206-443-4900 Tacoma 253-261-7700**  
**Fax: 253-299-6131**  
**E-Mail [raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com](mailto:raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com)**

**ENTRY CLOSING WILL BE July 5, 2008. OR WHEN THE 150 BOAT LIMIT HAS BEEN REACHED**  
 Cancellations received by July 5, 2008 will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$100. Entry Fee will not be returned after this date.

## Waver, Release and indemnification

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Skipper of the yacht

\_\_\_\_\_,  
accept full responsibility for the conduct of each member of my crew and guests during the activities associated with Whidbey Island Race Week 2008. I acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for the safety of my crew and yacht.

Clear Ahead Marine Productions, LLC., Race Committee, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, The City of Oak Harbor and any other sponsors of Whidbey Island Race Week 2008 are in no way to be held responsible for accidents, damage or injury to property or to yachts, crew or guests arising from any cause during or related to any race or activities of the Race Week. Each Skipper and his crew must evaluate weather and sea conditions and each participant is responsible for determining whether it is safe for him to participate. The responsibility of wearing a life jacket rests upon the Skipper and his crew. If Committee vessels and personnel provide assistance, it is at the risk of the participants.

I hereby agree to all of the Conditions for Whidbey Island Race Week 2008 and shall inform each member of my crew of these Conditions. I hereby warrant that my yacht will be outfitted, equipped and handled in accordance with these Conditions; that she will have all of the required equipment aboard; that she is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear; that she will be completely manned. I agree that the rating with my entry as filed with the Committee will be the applicable rating for the yacht at the time she starts the race.

In consideration of your accepting my Entry for Whidbey Island Race Week 2008, I do for myself, my executors, my administrators and assigns waive and release any and all claims that I have against Clear Ahead Marine Productions, LLC., Race Committee, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, The City of Oak Harbor and any other sponsors of Whidbey Island Race Week 2008, their officers, directors, members, committeemen, volunteers, employees and agents, or any one or more of them or their executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, or assigns, including any or all claims for damage caused by the negligence of any of them arising out of my participation or that of my yacht in Whidbey Island Race Week 2008 and its related activities, including pre-start and post-finish operations and shore activities together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees that may be incurred as a result of any such claim whether valid or not, and I do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of them against any such claims that any officer, member of my crew or one of my guests (or the executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, and assigns of any of them) may have or assert together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees with respect thereto.

Executed,

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Signature

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Date

