



2006 REGATTA COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Welcome to our 2006 season!

I want to take this opportunity to share with you some of my thoughts as we stand on the brink of our 93rd season. The BBYRA was, "...organized-exclusively to foster amateur sailboat racing competition...on Barnegat Bay..."(BBYRA Bylaws). Of all the committees within BBYRA, the race committee is singularly responsible to provide the moment-to-moment management of the activity that defines the very purpose of our organization. I take the role of the race committee in the management of that activity very seriously and hope that you do, as well. The enjoyment, satisfaction and safety of the sailors depend on the smooth and seamless execution of race management on each regatta day. We must function as a team or the overall quality of the event falters. In my role as PRO I will provide the oversight on each race day, assisted by each of you in the diligent performance of your assigned role and duties.

WHEN AND WHERE:

Please take note of the following important times:

1. Please plan to arrive at each host site no later than 7:30AM.
2. All equipment and materials shall be prepared and loaded on the appropriate boats no later than 8AM.
3. Race committee departure for race area and Harbor Gun at 8:15AM.

The official boats are as follows: (1) Start Boat, (2) Fixed Mark Finish Boat, (3) Portable Mark Windward Finish Boat, (4) Portable Mark Downwind Finish Boat/Late Registration/Inspection Boat, (5) Line Boat, (6) Mark Set Boat, (7) 420 Signal Boat, (8) 420 Mark Set Boat.

Each member of the race committee will receive an assignment. These assignments will be distributed at our "practice session". While you may be assigned a job of your preference, expedience may occasionally dictate reassignment. I am also of the philosophy that it is a good idea to rotate people through different jobs periodically in order to maximize our flexibility and adaptability as a team. I also don't want anyone getting "bored" (with little to do) or "overtaxed" (with too much to do). I recognize that you have all joined the race committee team because you enjoy the role, the fellowship of like minded people, and look forward to the day on the water. It is my intention to help you to continue do so, but expedience and flexibility also are sometimes required.

ATTIRE:

The BBYRA race committee wears the traditional "whites". Please wear:

- White collared shirt (long or short sleeve) with shoulder tabs for epaulet insignia and epaulets.
- White shorts or long pants with white belt.
- White sneakers or boat shoes and optional white socks.
- White head gear. The official white naval cap is optional. A white brimmed baseball-type cap has become the norm in recent years. An official BBYRA cap will be available to purchase. See Rear Commodore Rich Proko.
- A navy blue or black blazer is appropriate to be worn over whites for the awards program at Seaside Park.

You will be issued a white and a black name tag, if you do not already have them. Wear "white on white" and "black on black. Your name tag should be worn on the right side.

You are urged to check the weather and its potential changes BEFORE leaving home. Be prepared with foul weather gear, sun screen, insect repellent, etc.

The host clubs provide lunch, water and soft drinks each race day. They have been specifically asked NOT to provide alcoholic beverages. US SAILING and BBYRA do not permit the consumption of alcoholic beverages by race officials while in the conduct of race management.

WRAP-UP:

As I mentioned earlier, I look forward to working with all of you in providing the highest quality race management. If you have any questions, observations or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at any time during the season either in person, by e-mail... (RTMorrow@ussailing.net) or phone... (cell: 908-295-6775 (best way!), shore: 732-830-8904, Union: 908-964-0337.

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PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER
MAY 1, 2006



BARNEGAT BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION

May 1, 2006

RE: 2006 BBYRA Racing Season

Dear Regatta Committee Member:

I hope this letter finds you all in good health, good spirits and eagerly awaiting the start of the 2006 BBYRA racing season... our 93rd!

The 2006 summer sailing season is a bit more than a month away. The first day of racing is set for June 24th. The BBYRA officers and committees have been hard at work during the off-season preparing to make this the best season yet. With your participation, skills and efforts it will indeed live up to that expectation!

This year again we will have select fleets sailing multiple races on given Saturdays. We will also see the introduction of a second racing circle on which the 420 Class will be sailing. To insure that this all works smoothly we need to staff several committee boats along with associated support boats. The schedule of races for this year is in the 2006 Notice of Race which can be found at the web site (www.bbyra.org) as well as in the Yearbook.

Enclosed for your information is an updated set of instructions for Regatta Committee members. Please review this information.

The Regatta Committee will hold a "practice session" at Lavallette Yacht Club on June 17, 2006 at 1:00pm. At that time a tentative listing of Regatta Committee positions and assignments will be distributed. Please be aware that all assignments are subject to change as the season progresses. This is especially true when RC members are not able to attend a race day, and/or in response to preferences voiced by individuals. Assignments may also be changed periodically to maximize flexibility and adaptability within the Regatta Committee. If you cannot attend a particular race day during the season, please arrange for an alternate representative to fill in for you.

On such an occasion, kindly advise me or Rear Commodore Rich Proko, in advance so we may plan accordingly. If you have any questions or concerns during the season feel free to contact either of us. Please bear in mind that it takes a large staff of trained, competent and experienced personnel to comprise the excellent race management team we have become, which can then provide the excellent race management to which BBYRA sailors are accustomed. Your presence and participation each Saturday, or your alternate's, is an invaluable asset to this Regatta Committee team.

Since the publication of the 2006 Notice of Race, a decision has been made to conduct a "Competitors' Meeting" the evening prior to our first race day. That meeting will be held on Friday, June 23, 2006 at 8:15PM at the Metedeconk River Yacht Club. This addendum to the Notice of Race is published at the BBYRA website and fleets have been notified. This addition to the NOR will also appear in the 2006 BBYRA Yearbook.

I look forward to working with all of you during the upcoming season. The BBYRA has a long and proud tradition on the bay and I am confident we will continue to provide the high quality race management that has become the hallmark of the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association.

Sincerely,

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