



Woman Skipper Invitational Regatta

July 18, 2026

Genesee Yacht Club

Rochester NY

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in "The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028" with "US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS FOR 2025-2028" applied (RRS) and the rules of PHRF-LO.

Note "The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028" is available at:

<https://www.sailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/2025-2028-RRS-with-Changes-and-Corrections.pdf> and the "US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS FOR 2025-2028" is available at: https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/US-Sailing-Prescriptions-for-2025-2028_FEB12_2025-1.pdf

The prescription 63 (redress) of US Sailing shall not apply.

- 1.2. All boats must have a female at the helm from the start to the finish of each race.
- 1.3. Rules may be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The race is open to all yachts with a current valid PHRF-LO certificate. At the time of registration if your boat does not have a valid PHRF-LO certificate we will do our best to assign one to your boat and limit your participation to Division 1 the Canvas / Fun Fleet.

3. FEES and REGISTRATION

- 3.1. Entry fee is free at \$0.00 USD at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=31429
- 3.2. Registrations will not be accepted after Friday July 17th at midnight EST.

4.0 Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 The Sailing Instruction shall be available Wednesday July 15th.

5. EVENT SCHEDULE

Registrations Requested by	Friday July 17, 2026 at midnight
Check – in	Saturday July 18, 2026 7:00-8:45 am
Competitors Meeting	Saturday July 18, 2026 9:00 am
First Warning for race start	Saturday July 18, 2026 10:00 am
Awards Picnic at GYC	Saturday July 18, 2026 starting within an hour after the finish of the last race
Awards Presentation	Saturday July 18, 2026 afternoon

6. Classes and Divisions

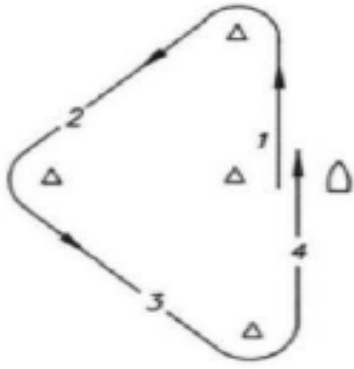
- 6.1. PHRF-LO Ratings for registrations will be verified on <http://www.phrf-lo.org/> by the race scorer. Boats without ratings will have one established for the race by the GYC club handicapper or race committee delegate per advance notification in section 2.1.
- 6.2. The 3 Divisional Splits shall be composed of the following classes or divisions:
 - Division 1 – Canvas / Fun Fleet. Refers to a racing class or division where the female at the helm has very limited or minimal racing and sailing experience. The boats are limited to the use of a head sail called a genoa and are prohibited from using other types of foresails like spinnakers or gennakers.
 - Division 2 – Genoa Only Fleet. Refers to a racing class or division where the female at the helm has racing and sailing experience. The boats are limited to using a type of sail called a genoa and are prohibited from using other types of foresails like spinnakers or gennakers
 - Division 3 – Spinnaker Fleet. Refers to a racing class or division where the female at the helm has racing and sailing experience. The boats are permitted to foresails that can be comprised of a genoa, spinnaker or gennaker.
- 6.3 The Organizing Authority based on participation level will develop fleet splits for the defined Divisions that will group similar PHRF rating boats together.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The start and finish will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1. The course for the planned 3 races, none to start after 1:00pm, shall be sailed as follows:



9. SCORING

- 9.1. The scoring system will use PHRF-LO handicap ratings with Time-On-Time correction for PHRF divisions.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

Participation flags will be awarded to all boats entering the race. Keeper trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third place boats based on the Fleet Overall results such that all Genoa Only fleet(s) and the Spinnaker fleet(s) are each scored as one. Details shall be found in the Sailing Instructions. The following four perpetual trophies will also be awarded:

Guest Trophy – Best corrected time for a non-GYC boat in any fleet.

The Mighty Mary Award – Best corrected time for an all female boat

The Lindsley Trophy – Best corrected time for a GYC Spinnaker Boat

The Elaine Carter Trophy - Best corrected time for a GYC Genoa Only Boat

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in 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. Each participating boat will be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance.

13. OWNER/SKIPPER RESPONSIBILITIES

The safety of a sailing yacht and her crew is the sole responsibility of the owner and the skipper. The owner and the skipper must make certain that the yacht is fully found seaworthy and well crewed. They must satisfy themselves as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails, and equipment. They must see to it that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed, that the crew has been instructed in its use, and that the equipment is deployed when necessary.

14. INSURANCE

All participation boats must carry adequate liability insurance coverage for collision and bodily injury.

15. For Further information

For further information contact Julie Traulsen at jmtraulsen94@hotmail.com