



Beaufort Water Festival Regatta

May 30 & 31, 2021

Sponsors: Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club (Organizing Authority) in conjunction with the Beaufort Water Festival Committee

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Life jacket and shoes are required for each sailor and shoes shall be worn while launching or retrieving your boat to due oyster shells.
- 1.3 All boats shall have sail numbers.
- 1.4 All boats shall give way to commercial traffic, such as: barges, law enforcement.
- 1.5 ICW 242 (across from the club) shall not be passed toward western shore.
- 1.6 The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation [DP] means that the penalty may be less than disqualification.
- 1.7 **Each Catboat or Keelboat is encouraged to have as a crewmate ONE or more junior sailors under the age of 15.**

2. **COVID PROTOCOL:** [NP] At this writing we have to anticipate that Covid 19 safety precautions will still be in place and, if so, you are expected to follow the Beaufort County and CDC recommendations. Everyone is responsible for his or her safety, including self-distancing. If you are not comfortable with the social arrangements it is your responsibility to avoid any social gatherings.

3. **ELIGIBILITY.** The regatta is open to Catboats and Keelboats that will sail a course down river and one-design dinghies that will sail in a Portsmouth handicap class in front of the club.

4. **ENTRY:** In addition to Catboats and Keelboats, possible dinghies include: Laser (all rigs), MC Scow, Y Flyer, Sunfish, Evo, JY15, 420's, O'Pen Skiff, Optimist (15 years old & younger), Flying Scot, Hunter 15 and others. All dinghies will sail in the Portsmouth class.

5. **REGISTRATION AND FEES:** Eligible boats may enter by completing the Registration Form, signing the waiver and paying the proper fee: \$35 per adult boat and \$20 per junior boat. Registration forms will be available online at www.byscnet.com/Sailing/. You can pre-register online or enter the day of the regatta, but all meals need to be reserved online. By registering, all registrants agree that they will be bound by the *RRS* and by all other rules that govern this event.

6. **SCHEDULE:**

Sunday, May 30

11:00 am -12:00

12:00 pm

In person Registration – Sailing Instructions available.
Catboats/Keelboats Competitors' Meeting

12:30 pm	Dinghy Competitor's Meeting
1:00pm	Warning for all Keelboats/Catboats.
2:00 pm	Warning for the Portsmouth class. Other races to follow.
Monday, May 31	
11:00 am	Keelboat/Catboats Competitor's Meeting (no dinghy Competitor's Meeting)
12:00 pm	Warning for all Keelboats/Catboats.
1:00 pm	Warning for the Portsmouth class. Other races to follow.
3:00 pm	Time after which no warning signal will be made. Racing will end earlier than normal so that all can attend the Memorial Day picnic.
5:00 pm	Awards furnished and presented by the Water Festival Committee.

7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Available online and at the Official Notice Board.

8. **SAILING AREA AND COURSES:**

- 8.1 The Catboats/Keelboats will race on the Beaufort River/ICW. Starts will either be in front of the club or in front of the downtown waterfront, proceeding downriver to a turning mark to be determined and returning unless threatening weather makes it prudent to stay between the bridges. The starting area and course lengths depend on wind conditions and will be discussed at the Competitor's Meetings.
- 8.2 The Portsmouth Class will start in the Beaufort River between the bridges and sail our normal dinghy courses around the buoys. Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. **SCORING:**

- 9.1 Catboats and Keelboats will sail one or two races per day. The dinghies will sail 2 or 3 races per day.
- 9.2 All completed races will be scored. This changes RRS A2.1. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.3 Keelboats and Catboats will use established handicaps and be scored separately.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

10. **PRIZES:** There will be (3) trophies provided and awarded for: Catboats, Keelboats and the Portsmouth class.

11. **SOCIAL:**

- 11.1 **MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC.** Reservations and payment online will be required if you are planning on attending. See the BYSC website at byscnet.com for more information and online reservations.
- 11.2 The **WATER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE**, our teammate for this event, will provide beer and soft drinks after racing on both days as well as awards.

12. **DOCKING:** Docking space is available at BYSC while it lasts.

13. **CONTACT:** Principle Race Officer: Richard Beesley (770) 335-3178, Regatta Chairman: Bruce Harmer (619) 540-7069



2021 BEAUFORT WATER FESTIVAL REGATTA

Registration Form

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Skipper _____ Crew _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____ Age if Junior _____

Class _____ Boat make/model _____ Yacht Club Affiliation _____

Sail Number _____ Handicap _____ Fee Paid _____ Date _____

Registration Fee per adult boat: \$35, per junior boat: \$20.

If you plan on attending the BYSC Memorial Day Picnic on Monday afternoon reservations need to be made on the BYSC website at byscnet.com.

All competitor's (including crew) are to sign the following waivers.

WAIVER STATEMENT for the Last First Annual BYSC July Regatta

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I, the undersigned assume full responsibility for any injury or accident that may occur during the event; and we hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters, Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club, the race committee, and other persons and entities associated with the event from all injury or damage, whether it be caused by negligence of the sponsors, promoters, Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club, the race committee, their volunteers, promoters and other persons associated with this event or otherwise. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use photographs, videotapes, or other record of this event.

RELEASE, WAIVER AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE for the Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club

The undersigned acknowledges that in consideration of the efforts of the host organization(s), for being allowed to participate in this regatta/races and the acceptance of this application to race, he does hereby waive and release any and all claims the undersigned may have against the host(s), its officers, directors, or trustees and its committee members, measurers, judges, agents and representatives arising out of the activities required for the races on the water, and does further covenant and agree not to sue or to bring any claim or claims of any nature whatsoever against the host organization(s) or any of the persons and offices named or unnamed above who may be acting on the host(s) or its/their behalf.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____
(if under 18 years of age)

BEAUFORT WATER FESTIVAL

WAIVER/RELEASE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19

ASSUMPTION OF RISK / WAIVER OF LIABILITY / INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

In consideration of being allowed to participate in BEAUFORT WATER FESTIVAL (BWF) and related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. Participation includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19. While particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation as regards protection against infectious diseases. If, however, I observe and any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest BWF official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS BEAUFORT WATER FESTIVAL their officers, officials, agents, Coordinators, Directors, volunteers and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("RELEASEES"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Name of participant: _____

Participant signature: _____

Date signed: _____

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child/ward including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against communicable diseases. Furthermore, my child/ward understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities. I for myself, my spouse, and child/ward do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse, and child/ward do release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's/ward's presence or participation in these activities as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent provided by law.

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Parent guardian/signature: _____

Date signed: _____