

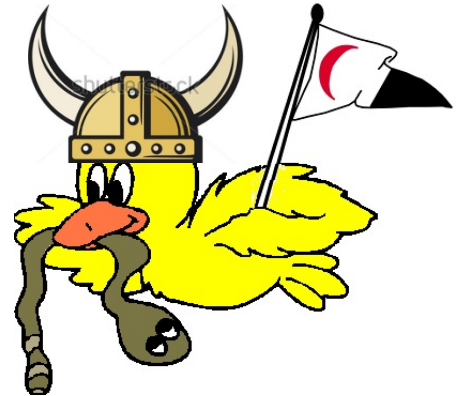
The "Viking-est" Off-Soundings Tune-Up!

Proceeds benefit Niantic Bay Sailing Academy

Sunday - June 4th

The Early Bird notice of race

Niantic Bay Yacht Club



Practice Starts 9:30 – 10:30

Optional pre-race practice with rolling starts.

Racing begins at 11:00

Multiple races/class possible; for more practice and a chance to recover from a snafu!

Registration Deadline: Friday June 2nd 1800 hrs.

Register On Line at:

www.YachtScoring.com. Or link found at: www.NBYC.org

Or Contact John Bourget

email: JRBourget@aol.com cell: (860) 463-9772

Snailmail: 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001



- **PHRF Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker classes**
- **Ensign, J-24, Etchells, Sport** (e.g. Melges) **classes***
- **NoR on www.NBYC.org or www.YachtScoring.com**

*Special classes will depend on number registered, so recruit your class competition!

- **\$50 per entry** (\$55 if not a USSailing member)
- **\$10 per party-ticket** (\$5 for those under age 21)
- **Free regatta hat** for Skippers. (Extras for sale)

○ **Special Awards***

- **Youth crew** - "Thor's Hammer Award" (all aboard are under age 30)
- **All-Female crew** - "Valkyrie Award" (all aboard identify as female)
- **Green skipper** - "Njord Award" (skippers without ECSA races 2006–2016)
- **Best Club** - "Aegir Award" (best 3 boats from a Club)

*Awards are based on eligibility noted on registration, and points earned racing



PARTY

Like it's 999

"Valhalla" Awards Party

- **"Berserker" akvavit cocktails, Wine and brand-name Beer**
- **Featured Microbrewer:** Lake Pocotopaug Brewing
- **Appetizers Viking-Style** by Slipper Shell Galley
- **Live Music** by Ragnar's Revenge
- **Best-Costumed Awards** for Man, Woman and Crew
- **Bonfire, Viking Games and more!** (maybe Swedish massages?)
- **50/50 Raffle** to benefit NBSA

Free Guest-Moorings...for two weeks!

Easy transit to the Early Bird, and then to Off Soundings!

Email hbosco@sbcglobal.net to reserve for the week preceding and/or after Early Bird.

Arrange a Bag Lunch for your crew.
Email: SlippershellNBYC@aol.com



NIANTIC BAY YACHT CLUB

8 SHORE ROAD, NIANTIC, CT 06073.9.0558 EST. 1940

**Early Bird Notice of Race
Niantic Bay Yacht Club
Sunday, June 4, 2017**

1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. The Niantic Bay Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.
- 1.2 This event is an ECSA points regatta.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This event is open to all monohulls with a valid PHRF – ECSA certificate on file at ECSA.net.
- 2.2 Participants may register for spinnaker or for non-spinnaker classes and party tickets online at www.nbyc.org, open the NOR flyer and then follow link to register.

Or, [Click here to register](#)

Or, copy/paste the following URL into your browser:

<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4109>.

- 2.3 Entry forms for snail mail are available on line on pg. 3 of the NOR and should be sent with payment to: John Bourget 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001
- 2.4 Entry Deadline is Friday, June 2nd at 1800.

3. FEES

- 3.1 The Entry Fee is \$50 per boat for US Sailing members. \$55 for non-members.
- 3.2 Party tickets are \$10 per ticket, or \$5 each for those under 21.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 First warning is scheduled at 1100 on Sunday, June 4, 2016.
- 4.2 Sailing Instructions will be posted at www.nbyc.org by 1800 Wednesday May 31st, 2016.
- 4.3 The unofficial Scratch Sheet will be actively building on line during registration and will be finalized by the Race Committee by 1800 on Saturday, June 3rd.
- 4.3 Multiple races are planned for all classes, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1 The Race Committee will assign ratings and classes.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 Racing will take place in Niantic Bay and Fisher's and Long Island Sounds.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 Courses will be selected by the Race Committee based on weather conditions. The marks will be identified in the Sailing Instructions and will be a combination of government marks and drop marks.

8. SCORING

- 8.1 Time-on-Time calculation will be used to score the PHRF classes.
- 8.2 There will be no throw-outs. This changes *RRS Appendix A2*.

9. BERTHING

- 9.1 Free guest moorings are available at the Niantic Bay Yacht Club for the week preceding the Early Bird and/or afterwards until Off Soundings. For reservations, contact the club manager Tom McDonald at 860-739-0558.

10. PRIZES AND "VALHALLA" PARTY

- 10.1 The top 3 finishers in each class will receive trophies at the Valhalla Awards Party following racing at Niantic Bay Yacht Club.
- 10.2 Special awards will be offered for best: **Youth Crew** (29 or younger), **All Female Crew**, **Green Skipper** (No ECSA races before 2014) and **Best Club** (Best 3 boats from same club).
- 10.2 "Berserker" cocktails, beer and wine, live music, games. Viking-style appetizers provided.

11. CONTACT INFORMATION

- 11.1 Regatta Chairman: John Bourget jrbourget@aol.com or cell 860.463.9772.
- 11.2 Stay connected with developments by visiting the Early Bird Events Page linked through www.nbyc.org

ECSA Offshore Race Entry Form



Race: Niantic Bay Early Bird Regatta Sunday, June 4th 2017

Skipper's name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Add'l phone: _____

Email: _____

Skipper's Club: _____

USSailing Membership #: _____

Check one: Spinnaker Non-spinnaker

Yacht name: _____ Sail #: _____

Boat Type: _____ LOA: _____ Color: _____

PHRF-ECSA rating: _____

Race Entry Fee: \$ _____

_____ # Party Tickets @ \$ _____ each = \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

LAST MINUTE CONTACT INFO - In case of last minute cancellation or race change please advise phone or email where you can be reached:

Email / phone: _____

Boats must be equipped in accordance with the regulations of ECSA Offshore Circuit and PHRF- ECSA (self bailing, fixed berths, galley, etc.). A copy of your ECSA-PHRF rating certificate must accompany this form or be available online at www.ecsa.net.

Check payable to: NBYC **Mail to:** John Bourget 7 Andrea Lane Avon, CT 06001