



Notice of Race

VRC Summer Regatta 2015

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Georgia Strait Alliance

Caring for Our Coastal Waters

July 10th, 11th & 12th

General Administration Information

The VRC Summer Regatta 2015 is organized and conducted by the Vancouver Rowing Club. The fleet will be divided into divisions and classes according to PHRF handicaps at the discretion of the Race Committee and the Vancouver Area Racing Council (VARC). This is a VARC event and VARC division splits will be used. Also see the [VARC NOR](#)

This is also a charity event to support the Georgia Strait Alliance. Participating yachts interested in fund-raising please contact Kate Storey (kate@renewalfunds.com).

Regatta Web Site

Periodic updates and the very latest information on the regatta can be found on the VRC Racing web site at: <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta/>

Regatta Headquarters

The Vancouver Rowing Club is located at 450 Stanley Park Drive which can be found at the Georgia Street entrance to Stanley Park.

Contacts

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Moorage

Free moorage at VRC will be available for visiting competitors, as space allows, from Friday afternoon through to Sunday afternoon. Arrangements should be made through the VRC office as early as possible.

Boats must register with the club office prior to arrival, 604-687-3400.

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1 Rules

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013 – 2016, the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association, the rules of the PHRF of BC, the Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations Standards and the VRC Summer Regatta Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Yachts must have valid and up to date PHRF handicap rating. As the organizing authority for this regatta, in its sole discretion the Vancouver Rowing Club (VRC) may assign, to any boat entering this regatta that does not have a valid PHRF certificate, a temporary handicap (a "Club Rating") for the Summer Regatta.

2 Entries and Eligibility

- 2.1 All yachts shall comply with Rule 75.1
- 2.2 All racing and cruising boats, provided the boats skipper is a member of a club recognized by its national authority, are welcome to participate.
- 2.3 Online registration is available at the VRC web site <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta/>

3 Fees

- 3.1 The regular entry fee is \$65.00. **Early Bird registration is \$60 before July 1st** . Late registration is \$80 after July 7th. Early Bird registrants will be entered into a draw for a free ticket to the Lobster Bash!
- 3.2 Your entry for the regatta must be submitted along with your entry form, PHRF Certificate (BC Sailing or assigned) and proof of \$2 million liability insurance to the VRC Office or the VRC Race Officer.
- 3.3 Entry forms and fees will not be accepted by the Race Committee after the deadline, so please be sure to act promptly. Boats not having submitted an entry form will be scored DNC.

4 Schedule of Events

- 4.1 Races will be held on the Saturday July 11th and Sunday July 12th 2014. The first warning signal each day is scheduled for 10:55, *please see Sailing Instructions*.
- 4.2 Friday July 10th
 - 1900 – 2100 Dock party and charity BBQ to benefit the Georgia Strait Alliance on the VRC docks at the junction of A & D docks. Skippers meeting with copies of Sailing Instructions, and weather briefing.
- 4.3 Saturday July 11th
 - 0800 – 0930 breakfast in the Trophy Lounge
 - 1100 – 1600 racing in English Bay and Strait of Georgia
 - 1800 – Lobster Bash and live music featuring Ruckus Deluxe in the Harbour Room. Tickets must be purchased in advance for \$40 from the VRC Office (steak and salmon for \$30 and \$5 hot dogs for the kids are available)
- 4.4 Sunday July 12th
 - 0800 – 0930 breakfast in the Trophy Lounge
 - 1100 – 1600 racing in English Bay and Strait of Georgia
 - Post racing BBQ on the Carver Deck with Ruckus Deluxe, family & friends are invited.

5 Divisions

- 5.1 Boats will be assigned to divisions based on their handicap rating or classification as follows:
 - Division 1 (pennant 1): ORC GPH 610.0 or less
 - Division 2 (pennant 2): PHRF rating of 60 – 99
 - Division 3 (pennant 3): PHRF rating of 100 – 173
 - Division 7 (pennant 7): PHRF rating of 174 – 275
- 5.2 VRC may assign additional “sub-divisions” for scoring purposes only, details provided in the sailing instructions.

6 Safety

- 6.1 Safety requirements are PIYA Nearshore or OSR Category 4.
- 6.2 The race committee has the right to perform random inspections at any point during the regatta. Boats failing the inspections before a race may make corrections and request a re-inspection, time permitting. Boats failing inspections after a race will be subject to protest and a penalty up to and including disqualification

6.3 If as a result of a protest, a boat has been found to have impeded commercial traffic, the boat will be scored DSQ. This changes Rule 64.1(a)

7 Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the VRC Office or on the regatta website after June 26th.
- 7.2 Notices to competitors and any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board at the East Gate of the VRC by 0900 on the race day.
- 7.3 The Race Committee will make reasonable efforts to also post this information on the VRC website and by Twitter (@VRCRacing) so please be sure to check both the notice board and the website regularly.
- 7.4 Competitors may also be notified of changes to the Sailing Instructions by the Race Committee boat who will fly Code Flag "L" (come within hail).

8 The Course

- 8.1 The course will be determined by the Race Committee per the Sailing Instructions
- 8.2 Course marks are as described in the Sailing Instructions
- 8.3 The VRC Summer Regatta 2015 is comprised of two races over two days; however, if conditions permit, more than one race may be held on a given day.
- 8.4 Race Results will be posted on Sunday July 12th at the post race BBQ on the Carver Deck. Results will be posted to the website by Monday July 13th at <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta/>

9 Disclaimer of Liability

- 9.1 Competitors participating in the VRC Summer Regatta 2015 do so entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any race comprising of the VRC Summer Regatta 2015.

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