

Notice of Race

Remembrance Day Pursuit Race 2021



November 4, 2021

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The Remembrance Day Pursuit Race 2021 is organized and conducted by the Vancouver Rowing Club located at 450 Stanley Park Drive, Vancouver, BC, V6G 3E2, Canada. The club is located at the Georgia Street entrance to Stanley Park.

The online official notice board is located at <https://vracing.ca/remembrance/>

See also Section 16 “Further Information” in this Notice of Race.

All those participating in the 2021 Remembrance Day Race do so at their own risk, and by completing this entry form, the skipper and crew of each entered yacht specifically agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Vancouver Rowing Club (“VRC”), its members, its organizers and its respective agents, officials, servants and representatives from and against all claims, actions, costs, expenses and demands in respect to death, injury, loss or damage to any person or property, howsoever caused arising out of or in connection with such skipper or his crew or her crew taking part in this event, notwithstanding that the same may have contributed or caused or occasioned by the negligence of the same bodies, or any of them, or their agents, officials, servants or representatives

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PREAMBLE

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).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Remembrance Day Race (the "Race") will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ('RRS').
- 1.2. The Racing Rules of Sailing will be changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1. [DP] RRS 40.1 applies to all boats with two or fewer crew.
 - 1.2.2. Boats competing singlehanded are permitted the use of autopilot and/or wind powered self-steering gear. This changes RRS 52.
 - 1.2.3. [DP] During the event, boats shall not impede or obstruct commercial traffic. The penalty may be up to disqualification from the event and/or a Rule 69 hearing. This changes RRS 64.2.
 - 1.2.4. The race committee may attempt to hail boats that are OCS (On Course Side). Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 41 and RRS 62.1(a).
 - 1.2.5. The race committee may attempt to hail the fleet by VHF. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress. Failure to note a shortened course or other race instruction due to not monitoring your radio will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 41 and RRS 62.1(a).
 - 1.2.6. No finishes will be recorded after 1500 hours. If at least one boat finishes by 1500 hours, the deadline will be extended by half an hour. In this situation, boats failing to finish (but still racing) by 1530 hours will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF). This changes RRS 35.
- 1.3. The PHRF BC Rules (January 13, 2019) shall be the class rules.
- 1.4. [DP] A boat that intends to fly sails that display numbers different than its registered sail number shall report those numbers to the race committee by email at raceofficer@vrcracing.ca at, or before 1900 hours on Wednesday November 10, 2021. A failure to convey this information may be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 1.5. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee at the time of retiring by VHF or by some other means. A failure to convey this information may be subject to protest by the race committee.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at or before 2100 hours on November 9, 2021 at <https://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/>.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at the VRC Remembrance Day Pursuit Race website at <https://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/>.
- 3.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. Competitors may ask questions of the race committee by VHF for course clarification only prior to the warning signal.
- 3.4. From the first warning signal until the end of the race, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. All boats are reminded that full compliance with the prescriptions of their rating is required.
 - 4.1.1. All boats must have a valid 2021 PHRF certificate unless provided a Club rating. PHRF-BC ratings will be verified against the BC Sailing PHRF-BC ratings database.
 - 4.1.2. Boats that do not have a valid rating will be provided a club rating by the race committee. Club ratings shall not be subject to appeal.
 - 4.1.3. Boats with a PHRF rating from jurisdictions outside of PHRF-BC will be provided a PHRF-BC equivalent rating.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry via email using the instructions on the event website: <https://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/>.
- 4.3. To be considered entered for the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements prior to 2100 hours on November 9, 2021.
- 4.4. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.

5. FEE

- 5.1. The entry fee for racing is: \$0.00

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. Crew size must comply with all COVID guidelines current at the start of the event from the Provincial Health Officer, ViaSport and BC Sailing Association.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1. The sequence and timing of the pursuit start will be posted on <https://vrccracing.ca/remembrance/> before 2300 hours on November 9, 2021.
- 8.2. The Remembrance Day Pursuit Race takes place on November 11, 2021.
- 8.3. There will be two minutes of silence at 1100 hours. No engine use is permitted except in an emergency during the two minutes of silence.
- 8.4. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start is 1105 hours.

9. VENUE

- 9.1. The racing area is Howe Sound and English Bay extending West to a line formed by linking Starboard Hand Beacon Pac432 on Popham Island to the permanent mark QA West of Point Grey. Start lines will be near the QC Buoy.

10. COURSE

- 10.1. The course is from the starting line to the Point Grey Bell Buoy (at approximately 49°17.35' N 123°15.9' W), leaving the mark to port, then return to the finish line.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will not apply. This changes RRS 44.3.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 12.2. Start order and times will be determined using a PHRF BC Time on Distance handicap calculation.
- 12.3. Placement of boats will be recorded in order of finish.

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1. 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.**

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1. Results will be announced at the VRC Carver Bar following racing.
- 15.2. Awards will be presented to the top three boats based on finish order at the VRC Awards and Volunteer Appreciation dinner to be held in the spring of 2022.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1. For further information:

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