



2024 NOTICE OF SERIES

BOAT OF THE YEAR — NEARSHORE DISTANCE

Organizing Authorities (OA's): Burnham Park Yacht Club (BPYC), Chicago Yacht Club (CYC), Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club (CCYC), Columbia Yacht Club (COLYC), Jackson Park Yacht Club (JPYC)

May 25 – September 28, 2024

NOTICE OF SERIES

This series will consist of the following distance events:

Date	Event	OA
May 25	Spring Opener Day 1	CCYC
May 26	Spring Opener Day 2	CCYC
June 1	Colors Regatta	COLYC
June 8-9	Chicago Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series - Chicago	Sailing World
June 16	Halyard Hustle	COLYC
June 30	Hobelman Regatta	CCYC
August 3	Columbia Cup	COLYC
August 10-11	Verve Cup	CYC
August 24	Pursuit of Happiness Day 1	JPYC/BPYC
August 25	Pursuit of Happiness Day 2	JPYC/BPYC





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Date	Event	OA
September 7	Chicago Regatta	CYC
September 14	Sheldon Clark	CYC
September 21	Three Crib Fiasco	COLYC
September 28	Fall Closer	CCYC

1. RULES

This Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-2024 edition, as adopted by U.S. Sailing (“RRS”). U.S. Sailing prescriptions will apply, except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and RRS 63.4. The series will also be governed by the Notices of Race and the Sailing Instructions for the individual races constituting the series.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

This Series is open to all monohull boats with a valid MWPHRF certificate entered in the Events. No separate entry form shall be required to enter this Series.

3. FEES

There shall be no entry fee for this Series. However, all boats must complete appropriate entries for each event, including applicable entry fees.





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4. SCHEDULE

The schedule for each event will be as noted in the respective Event's Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

5. SCORING

5.1. RACES TO COUNT AND MINIMUM REQUIRED

To qualify for inclusion in the final series results a boat shall compete in (come to the starting area for) at least 50 percent of the completed races listed above (rounded up to the nearest whole number).

5.2. RACE SCORES

For the purposes of this series, the Place for each boat in a given race will be based on the overall rank of the boat using the MWPHRF corrected time for that race. (rounded up to the nearest whole number).

5.3. For any event in which the OA scores boats using MWPHRF and another handicap system, boats that race using a different handicap system will have their corrected time recalculated using their MWPHRF handicap in the same manner as the OA for that event had applied the MWPHRF handicaps.

5.3.1. The recalculated corrected times and rankings will only be used for purposes of this Boat of the Year series and any differences in the Boat of the Year event ranks (score) and event standings posted by the OA of that event are not grounds for protest for either the event or the Boat of the Year series.

5.3.2. This rule does not apply to events in which all boats are scored using an alternative handicap system.





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- 5.4. For any event in which the OA scores all boats using an alternative handicap system the boats will be ranked using the corrected times provided by the OA.
- 5.5. If a race has different course lengths for different sections, then the overall rank of the boat will be based on the corrected time divided by the length of the assigned course.
- 5.6. Each boat will receive a score for each race in which it competes as a percentage calculated as follows: the Base Score, using the formula in the following table, divided by the number of boats starting in the fleet multiplied by 100. The Base Score for each race will be computed according to the following formula, with N being the number of boats starting in the fleet:

Overall (Fleet) Place	Base Score
First	N
Second	N - 1
Third	N - 2
Fourth	N - 3
Each Place Thereafter	Subtract 1 point

All other boats that compete in that race, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will score 0 points. Boats that do not compete in that race (DNC) will not be scored.





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5.7. SERIES SCORES

The series score for each competitor will be calculated as the average of all of the competitor's race scores. The qualified boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others will be ranked accordingly.

5.8. TIES AND OTHER RULES

Race ties will be scored using rule A7. Series ties will be broken using rule A8.1. Rules A1, A3, A5, A6, A9 and A10 also apply.

6. PRIZES

Prizes will be given according to the following formula at the Annual CASRA Town Hall Meeting and End of Season Celebration:

Qualified Participants	Prizes
0 - 3	1
4 - 5	2
6 - 7	3

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authorities.

7. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this Series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authorities are not liable for material damage, illness, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any of Events constituting this Series.





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8. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

9. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit www.chicagosailracing.org for additional information. Please direct any questions to info@chicagosailracing.org.

Thanks to all competitors for participating in the CASRA Boat of the Year Nearshore Distance Series.

