



R.H.A.D.C WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACING

SPONSORED BY BACARDI

March 26th - September 10th, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

The Combined Clubs Committee; the Host Club; the Organising Authority; the Bermuda Class Associations; the Event Organisers; the Sponsors; their Officers, Members; Employees; and Volunteers, bear no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their crew however so caused during or related to these regattas. Attention is drawn to RRS 3 (Decision to Race).

Invitation The Organising Authority & Host Club - The Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club (R.H.A.D.C.), is pleased to invite sailors to compete in the annual **Wednesday Night PHRF Racing Series**, sponsored by **Bacardi** and the **Hamilton Princess**. These are fun races but true sportsmanship should prevail.

Guidance *Guidance to competitors for situations where the entered boat is not available for Wednesday Night Racing.*

1. *Where damage was caused by racing in a Wednesday Night Race, and the boat was not at fault (as determined by a protest hearing or by an acknowledgement of the keep clear boat), file a request for redress together with the protest for the incident, or if the keep clear boat took an alternative penalty under RRS 44, file a request for redress in accordance with RRS 62 within the applicable protest time limits.*
2. *For one-design boats with a Bermuda Class Association, you may be permitted to use another boat of that design as a substitute. File a request in writing no later than Monday noon, approved by a Class Officer of the relevant Bermuda Class Association, to score you as the original boat. The Organising Authority will post a Notice, should it approve the substitution*

1. RULES

1.1 The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to keelboats and yachts. Proof of insurance, to comply with [SI 29.1](#), will be required prior to registration being accepted. Boats with a PHRF handicap less than 100 shall be assigned to Division 1; all other boats shall be assigned to Division 2.
- 2.2 Entry forms will be available online www.rhadc.bm/sailing/regattas or register on line at: www.rhadc.bm/sailing/regattas or by e-mailing a completed entry form to sailing@rhadc.bm and depositing the registration fee, by bank transfer to the a/c on the entry form, by RHADC members a/c no later than the day before competing in the regatta.
- 2.3 Boats that start without registering in advance, agree to pay the late registration fee (\$300) within 7 days.

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1 Registration will be no later than the day before competing in the regatta.
- 3.2 The regatta schedule will be as indicated in "Addendum 2 – Schedule". One race completed will constitute a series.
- 3.3 The scheduled warning signal for the first race is as follows
- 1755 on 26th March, 2 April & 9th April
1805 from 16th March to 13th August
1755 on 20th August 27th August & 3rd September
- 3.5 Races not sailed on the scheduled race day will not be rescheduled and will be scored as void.

4. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Whilst racing, boats shall keep clear of, and shall not transit through:
- a) Head of the Lane to permit clear access to commercial traffic including ferries.
 - b) Between Pearl Island and Lambda Island.

These areas will be considered as obstructions.

- 4.2 The southern end of the starting line must be kept clear for the passage of ferries. Any boats identified impeding ferries in this area will receive, without a hearing, a 20% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in [RRS 44.3\(c\)](#).

5. THE START

- 5.1 The starting area will be in Hamilton Harbour using "Princess Start". The Race Committee signals shall be made from the Princess Marina, or from the R/C Signal boat close to the starboard (northern) end of the starting line.

6. TIME LIMITS

6.1	Class	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time	Protest Time Limit
	Handicap	Official Sunset	30 mins	60 mins	60 minutes after the docking of the R/C Signal Boat.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 Scoring will be based on corrected time using time-on-time scoring and PHRF handicaps.
- 7.2 The scoring for boats that did not come to the start area for a race (DNC) will be the number of boats in the start area +2.
- 7.3 Individual Series: The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply with no score excluded.
- 7.4 Overall Series: The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply with one score excluded. DNC scores will not be excluded.
- 7.5 Boats will be allocated to divisions, classes and fleets by the R/C, based on their handicap, boat type, sail plan, and the number of entries, all boats will be entered into the Overall Division.
- 7.6 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each of the three PHRF Series; to the first three boats for the Overall PHRF Series; and to the first boat in the Fleet Rankings Series.
- 7.7 In addition fleets will be scored (Fleet Rankings). The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply with one score excluded. DNC scores will not be excluded. Fleets will be comprised of:
- One-design boats, with three or more entrants. The scoring will be based on their fleet finishing order not on overall placing.
 - Yacht fleet for all other keelboats. The scoring will be based on their corrected time using their PHRF handicaps.
- 7.8 Dry-sailed boats that cannot launch due to an inoperable crane shall be awarded points equal to the average, to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 points to be rounded upward), of her points in all the races in the series except the race in question.
- 7.9 Boats that cannot compete as they have been loaned to an event by their Class Association shall be awarded points equal to the average, to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 points to be rounded upward), of her points in all the races in the series except the race in question.

8. SAFETY

- 8.1 Between the Preparatory Signal and the Start Signal, boats shall have the spinnaker head below the main-boom gooseneck, or shall have the spinnaker fully furled. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she will receive, without a hearing, a 20% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in [RRS 44.3\(c\)](#).
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Social

A la carte menu and cash bar will be available following racing each Wednesday evening at R.H.A.D.C.
Prize-giving & BBQ will be held on the last scheduled day of each series at R.H.A.D.C. with music after each prize-giving
The Final Wednesday Night Race is a Fancy Dress race

Wed 30 April	Prize-giving after racing – R.H.A.D.C. Series 1
Wed 11 June	Prize-giving after racing – R.H.A.D.C. Series 2
Wed 23 July	Prize-giving after racing – R.H.A.D.C. Series 3
Wed Sep 10	Prize-giving after racing – R.H.A.D.C. Series 4 & Overall Series. <i>"Fancy Dress Night"</i>

