2024 Bluffers Basin DOUBLE HANDED SERIES NOTICE TO RACERS #1 – May 25, 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The racing committee of the Bluffers Basin Race Management Committee is the organizing authority for all races.

ELIGIBILITY

The Series is open to Single-Handed (Skipper Only) or Double-Handed (Skipper and one crew) crewed yachts. The skipper of each sailboat must be a minimum of 18 years of age. Children under the age of 12 or pets do not count as crew for this series and must not assist in the sailing of the yacht. Autopilot used will be permitted.

RULES AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This notice and instructions supplement those given in the Current Edition of the Bluffers Basin Challenge Series - Racing Handbook and Sailing Instructions. https://www.bpyc.on.ca/index.php/racing/racedocs/2024-documents

CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Additions, changes, and exceptions to these Sailing Instructions may be made in writing as a Notice to Racers at any time throughout the season, provided that these Notices are communicated directly to competitors via their registered email address a minimum of 24 hours before they take effect.

COMMITTEE BOAT BACKUP

The committee boat and any required backups will be provided by the Bluffers Basin Race Management Committee as required. All participants are eligible to be the committee boat and are expected to volunteer when requested.

CALENDAR

Race 1	Monday, May 27, 2023
Race 2	Monday, June 10, 2023
Race 3	Monday, June 24, 2023
Race 4	Monday, July 8, 2023
Race 5	Monday, July 22, 2023
Race 6 ¹	Monday, Aug 5, 2023

Note 1: Note that there is a 3 week gap between Race 5 and Race 6 due to the August Civic Holiday.

RACE START TIME

The committee boat will leave the dock at approximately **18:05** hours each day.

The "R" flag will be taken down at approximately 18:39 hours.

The first start will be at approximately 18:45 hours.

COURSE

Races will be approximately 3 to 6 nautical miles in length based on wind conditions.

SCORING CLASSES AND DIVISIONAL STARTS

The fleet will be divided into two classes for the purpose of scoring and divisional starts as per the table below:

Start	Division	Description
1	1	Non-Flying Sails - PHRF ASP 158 and over
2	2	Non-Flying Sails - PHRF ASP 157 and under

NOTE: For the all divisions, the RC will post the same course for each start.

SCORING SYSTEM

If 5 or more races are scored, there will be 1 race dropped from scoring.

Races scored	Races counted for scoring
4 or less	All races
5	4 best races
6	5 best races