



NOTICE OF RACE

2017 Down River Race

The Rock Hall Yacht Club hosts the Annual Down River Race on Friday, June 16th, 2017

This is a point to point race, open to all dinghy, one design, or day sailing classes. The race will begin near the Chester River Yacht and Country Club (CRY&CC) dock, run down the Chester River for approximately 12 nm and finish near the entrance to Langford Creek and the Rock Hall Yacht Club (RHYC).

The RHYC welcomes all sailors and spectators to enjoy the RHYC facilities, pool, bar, and full menu before, during and after the race.

RULES: This regatta is governed by the US Sailing RRS and the respective class association rules, except as any of these rules are changed by the SIs or any appendices to the SIs. The use of GPS devices is permitted for all classes in this regatta.

REGISTRATION: Register online at www.rockhallyachtclub.org prior to June 16th.
On-site Registration will be at the CRY&CC dock on Friday June 16th at 1000 hours.

FEES: \$25.00 registration fee
A \$5.00 donation for the RHYC Sailing School Scholarship fund is appreciated.

TIMING: **All boats should be prepped, rigged, and launched prior to the skippers meeting.** A shoreline dingy rack limits launching space at the beach. **Please have a small anchor available for short term mooring during skippers meeting.**
Skippers Meeting at 1030 hours at the CRY&CC dock.
Start at 1100 hours, between the CRY&CC dock and a club mark near Queen Anne's Shore.
All boats start together.

CLASSES: All dinghy, one design and day sailing classes

SCORING: Boats will be timed and scored using the current US Sailing Portsmouth Handicap ratings for the class. If your boat is not listed, the R/C will assign a rating based on similarity to listed classes. No handicaps specific to a class will be applied.

AWARDS: Sonny Usilton Trophy: 1st to finish
The Collins Cup: 1st to finish on corrected time
The Strong-Austin Trophy: 1st RHYC boat to finish
Chauvenet Award: 1st Windmill to finish
H. Morris Paschall III Memorial Cup: 1st sailor under 21 years old to finish on corrected time
Awards will be presented at the awards ceremony on Sunday afternoon, June 18, 2017 following the RHYC One Design Regatta.



INFORMATION: Those competitors wishing to drop boats on trailers off on Thursday evening are welcome to drop those boats at the CRY&CC waterfront. Those competitors that are current/active members of another yacht club and wish to tow boats over and use a slip for Thursday night are welcome; however they must contact CRY&CC at 410-778-3818 in advance for reservations. A slip fee will apply. Those with confirmed advanced reservations will have use of the CRY&CC facilities.

All regatta competitors and guests must comply with the [RHYC Rules](#) while on the premises of the Rock Hall Yacht Club.

LODGING: Camping for competitors and their families is welcome on the RHYC grounds from Thursday evening through the weekend racing events; all campers must register with the RHYC Club Manager 410-639-2182 before setting up their campsite. RVs or campers which require electrical hookup will be charged \$15 per night.

Note that there will be no overnight occupants or campers at CRY&CC.

Additional accommodations can be found in the local area and the towns of Rock Hall <http://www.rockhallmd.com> and Chestertown <http://www.kentcounty.com>.

DIRECTIONS: To the Start can be found at www.crycc.org
To the Finish can be found at www.rockhallyachtclub.org

Questions can be directed to the RHYC at regattas@RockHallYachtClub.org or call 410-639-2182 for the RHYC Club Manager.