



Notice of Race

Alberta Series 2017

The Alberta Area Racing Circuit (AARC) welcomes you to this year's racing season and invites you to participate in the series of racing events hosted and managed by local yacht/sailing clubs of the Alberta area.

1 RULES

- 1.1 AARC events will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 For some events, the host yacht club will publish an event Notice of Race (NoR). For *all* events, the host club will publish Sailing Instructions (Si's). In case of conflict, the provisions of the event NoR will take precedence over this NoR.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats racing in AARC events may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by AARC and/or the OA of each event.
- 2.2 Boats may apply to the AARC and/or the OA of each event in advance of any event for an alternative method of displaying required advertising if special circumstances prohibit compliance with this section.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The AARC Series is open to the following classes/divisions: Laser (Masters & Open); Radial (Masters & Open); Optimist; Double-handed; San Juan 21; Martin 16; Catamaran; and Skiff.
- 3.2 AARC may modify division splits to accommodate new boats during the season.
- 3.3 AARC may recognize additional one design fleets during the season.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter individual events by completing the online registration and payment as described by the host yacht/sailing club of each event.
- 3.5 Boats will automatically be entered in the applicable AARC series.

4 FEES

Event fees will be determined and collected by the host yacht/sailing club of each event.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 All the AARC events are listed chronologically in Table 1 – AARC Schedule of Events.

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- 5.2 Details of each event will be provided in the event documentation as they become available, and made available on the host yacht/sailing club's website and the ASA website.
- 5.3 The annual Awards Ceremony will be held at the end of the season. Check the ASA website for details.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Each event will have SI's issued by the host club as listed in Table 1 – AARC Schedule of Events.

7 VENUES

The venue for each event will be the host yacht/sailing club and the waters nearby, or as identified in the event NoR (if provided by the host yacht/sailing club).

8 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the event NoR (if provided by the host yacht/sailing club).

9 RACES TO COUNT AND MINIMUM REQUIRED

- 9.1 The series will consist of the following races: See Table 1.
- 9.2 A boat must compete in four of the five events listed on Table 1.

10 RACE SCORES

'N' is defined as the number of boats that compete in a particular race. Each boat finishing that race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored as follows:

<i>Finishing place</i>	<i>Score</i>
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.

11 SERIES SCORES

- 11.1 The series score for each boat will be a percentage calculated as follows: divide the sum of her race scores by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in every race in which she competed; multiply the result by 100.
- 11.2 An excluded race counts as a race to qualify a boat for a series score, but not as one of her scored races in that regatta.
- 11.3 The Provincial Regatta will score a boat double points.
- 11.4 The qualified boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.

12 TIES AND OTHER RULES

Race ties will be handled using RRS A7. Series ties will be broken using RRS A8.1.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Registered boats whose support boats interfere with racing are subject to protest and possible disqualification.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes at each event will be awarded by the host club for each division as described in the event SI's.
- 15.2 Prizes for the Regatta Series Championship series for each division, as applicable, will be awarded as follows:
 - 1st place will be awarded if 2 or more boats qualify in a class/division;
 - 2nd place will be awarded if 4 or more boats qualify in a class/division; and
 - 3rd place will be awarded if 5 or more boats qualify in a class/division.
- 15.3 For the Championship Series, Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to the winners each class/division.
- 15.4 The Championship Series Awards will be presented at the year-end Awards Ceremony (TBA).

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The OA's will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the series.

17 INSURANCE

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

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: editor@albertasailing.com

Table 1

AARC Schedule of Events

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Host</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Series</i>
June 3-4	CYC Icebreaker	CYC	Sat & Sun	Regatta
June 10-11	Founders' Regatta	WSC	Sat & Sun	Regatta
July 7-9	Prairie Wind	NSC	Fri, Sat & Sun	Regatta
July 22-23	Midsummer Regatta	GSC	Sat & Sun	Regatta
September 2-4	Alberta Provincials	EYC	Sat, Sun & Mon	Regatta