Ida Lewis Yacht Club

2020 Spring and Summer Series

June 18, 2020 to September 3, 2020

J24 Fleet 50

Newport, RI

**NOTICE OF RACE**

The J24 Fleet 50 2020 Season Series will be held in Narragansett Bay in Newport Rhode Island from 18 June to 3 September 2020

**Organizing Authority – Ida Lewis Yacht Club in association with J24 Fleet 50.**

1. **RULES**
   1. The J24 Fleet 50 Season Series will be governed by the rules as defined in 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including theUS Sailing Prescriptions, and the J24 Class Rules.
   2. The following is added to RRS 40: “Personal flotation will be required for those aboard when the boat chooses to sail with the 100% Jib. The PFD must be US Coast Guard approved and must be visible to race committee and competitors.”
   3. U.S. Sailing Appendices T & V will apply.
   4. The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rule. This changes rule 64.1
2. **ADVERTISING** 
   1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 - ISAF Advertising Code as adopted by the International J24 Class Association.
3. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** 
   1. The regatta is open to boats of the J24 Class whose skipper of record is a member of J24 Fleet 50 and the US J24 Class Association.
   2. Deadline for entry is June 15, 2020. All entries are subject to a $250 fee. Entries may be accepted after the deadline with approval of the Fleet Captains. Any entry received after June 15, 2020 will be subject to an additional $30 fee.
   3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the Official Fleet 50 2020 Registration Form and sending it, together with the required information and fee, to:

**Tim Corbett**

timtcorbett@gmail.com

* 1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $300,000 per incident or the equivalent. A current copy of the insurance certificate shall be kept on board at all times, and a copy should be sent in with your Registration. Registrations will not be considered complete without the insurance certificate.
  2. Boats which have not fulfilled these registration requirements will not be recorded as finished nor will they be scored in any races in which they participate prior to the completion of registration.

1. **SERIES ORGANIZATION**

The regatta will include a Spring Series and Summer Series. The Spring and Summer Series together will constitute the J24 Fleet 50 Overall Series.

1. **SCHEDULE**
   1. The schedule for the regatta’s Spring and Summer Series as shown in the table below.

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| Spring Series | June 18th – July 23rd |
| Summer Series | July 30th – Sept 3rd |

* 1. Racing will start on June 18th and be conducted each Thursday through Sept 3rd.

* 1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1805.
  2. The Newport Regatta standings for Fleet 50 J24 boats shall be counted as a single race as described in 7.2 and 11.6. The race will be counted for the Summer Series and the overall series scores.

1. **MEASUREMENT**
   1. Each boat shall possess a valid J24 Class measurementcertificate.
2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** 
   1. This NOR and subsequent Sailing Instructions (SIs) pertain to races conducted on Thursday nights as part of Fleet 50’s normal sailing format. The SIs will be available on the Fleet 50 web site ([http://www.J24Fleet50.org](about:blank)) on or before June 15, 2020.
   2. Races scored as part of the Fleet 50 Series but conducted as part of the Newport Regatta will be governed by the NOR and SIs applicable for the Newport Regatta. The SIs for these Newport Regatta will supersede any contradictory instruction contained herein. This changes RRS 63.7.
3. **VENUE** 
   1. The racing venue will use instructions and course options listed on the 2018-2020 South Bay Race Chart; Starts Southeast of Rose Island apply. This chart is available at Sail Newport’s main office.
   2. Newport Regatta races may be sailed in a different venue (See NOR 5.4).
4. **COURSES** 
   1. Courses will use be selected from the Chart or use marks selected from the Chart.
   2. The Race Committee, at their discretion, may substitute an Inflated Racing Mark (e.g., an orange or yellow inflated mark) in lieu of a mark selected from the Chart.
   3. Courses will be displayed on a Race Committee boat. Courses will be identified using the designations from the Chart or listing the marks of the course, the side on which they are to be left, and their rounding order.
5. **PENALTY SYSTEM** 
   1. See NOR 1.3
6. **SCORING** 
   1. The scoring system is the Low Point System as described in 90.3 and Appendix A in the RRS.
   2. A minimum of three (3) completed races is required to constitute a series.
   3. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be one (1) throw out for every six (6) races scored. This modifies RRS A2.
   4. A boat’s score for the series will be the sum of all her races in that series minus those discarded. A boat’s score for the Overall Series is the sum of all her races in both the Spring Series and the Summer Series minus those discarded.
   5. Average points for the applicable series will be scored for any boat that misses a race due to attendance at an away regatta. Advance notice shall be given if a boat intends to miss a race because of an away regatta. Please email Tim Corbett at timtcorbett@gmail.com, in advance, so that he can advise the Race Committee. Failure to notify via e-mail prior to the warning signal of racing on the day missed will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.
   6. The final Newport Regatta standings will count as 1 race in the Summer Series and the Overall Series. Only Fleet 50 boats will be scored, and your placement will be determined based on your cumulative score for the regatta. Those not racing will be scored DNS.
7. **RADIO COMMUNICATION and DATA TRANSMISSION** 
   1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
   2. The Race Committee will use **VHF CHANNEL 69** as its primary method of communications during racing. Competitors are invited to listen to all RC communications on the channel in the hopes that a clearer understanding of the Committee’s intentions will result in better racing for all. These broadcasts are available as a courtesy only. Failure to make any Race Committee announcements shall not be grounds for seeking redress under RRS 62. Failure to receive or properly interpret these communications shall not be grounds for redress under RRS 62.
8. **PRIZES** 
   1. Prizes will be given as follows: Fleet 50 will award the Peter Milnes Trophy for the overall Season Champion. Prizes will be awarded for the Spring Season Champion and the Summer Series Champion. The Bill Boatwright Trophy which is awarded annually by ILYC may be awarded to top finishing Fleet 50 J24 non-professional sailor.
9. **SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS AND COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES**
   1. These requirements may be modified in the Sailing Instructions or via amendments to the Sailing Instructions.
   2. Crew size is limited to a maximum of 3 individuals per boat.
   3. Crews shall be from the same household whenever possible and shall in any case maintain a social distance of 6’ at all possible times. (Roughly translated on a J24: Skipper at helm, far aft as possible, mid-crew at winches, bow just forward of the shrouds.)
   4. Face coverings shall be worn at all times.
   5. PFDs shall be worn at all times except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing.
   6. All boats must have a VHF Radio on-board, tuned to the Fleet channel (NOR 12.2).
   7. The RC reserves the right to forgo traditional signal flags in lieu of making communications via the Fleet VHF channel.
   8. The official notice board shall be the Fleet 50 website.
   9. All matters regarding protests may be conducted electronically.
10. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
    1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
    2. Competitors are required to complete the THURSDAY NIGHT SERIES WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY which will be posted on the ILYC website under the J24 tab.
11. **INSURANCE**
    1. See NOR 3.4
12. **FURTHER INFORMATION** 
    1. For further information please contact the Fleet Captain Hillary Noble. Fleet contacts are listed on the Fleet website at:

[http://j24fleet50.org/fleet-contacts/](about:blank)

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