Ida Lewis Yacht Club

2023 ILYC J24 Fleet 50 Thursday Night Series

May 25, 2023, to August 31, 2023

Newport, RI

**NOTICE OF RACE**

The 2023 ILYC J24 Fleet 50 Thursday Night Series will be held in Narragansett Bay in Newport, Rhode Island from 25 May to 31 August 2023.

**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 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including theUS Sailing Prescriptions, and the J24 Class Rules.
   2. U.S. Sailing Appendices T & V will apply.
   3. The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rule. This changes rule 64.2.
   4. Additional rules may be identified in the Sailing Instructions.
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 May 22, 2023. All entries are subject to a $350 fee. Entries may be accepted after the deadline with approval of the Fleet Captain. Any entry received after May 22, 2023 will be subject to an additional $30 fee.
   3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the official Fleet 50 2023 Registration Form and sending it, together with the required information and fee, to:

**Ian Scott**

**12 Battery St.**

**Newport 02840**

**Ianscott1@cox.net**

* 1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of $300,000 per incident or the equivalent. A current copy of the insurance certificate shall be always kept on board, 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 be organized as a single series, 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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| Overall Series | May 25th – August 31st |

* 1. Racing will start on May 25th and races will be on Thursday evenings.

* 1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1805.

1. **MEASUREMENT**
   1. Each boat shall possess a valid J24 Class measurementcertificate.
2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** 
   1. Sailing Instructions (SIs) SIs will be available at the Fleet 50 web site ([http://www.J24Fleet50.org](about:blank)) on or before May 18, 2023.
3. **VENUE** 
   1. The racing venue will use instructions and course options listed on the 2021-2023 South Bay Race Chart; Starts Southeast of Rose Island apply. The Chart is available at Sail Newport’s main office.
4. **COURSES** 
   1. Courses will use be selected from the Chart (NOR 8.1) 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 1.2
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 five (5) completed races is required to constitute the 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 changes RRS A2.
   4. A boat’s score for the regatta will be the sum of all her races in the series minus those discarded.
   5. Average points 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 Ian Scott at **Ianscott1@cox.net**, 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.
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. 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 awarded to the top three finishers in the regatta. The Peter Milnes Trophy will be awarded to the top finisher, i.e., the Season Champion. The Bill Boatwright Trophy which is awarded annually by ILYC may be awarded to a Fleet 50 J24 non-professional sailor.
9. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
   1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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.
10. **CONSENT**

By participating in these races, competitors automatically grant to the Ida Lewis Yacht Club and J24 Fleet 50 (the Organizing Authorities) and any sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

1. **INSURANCE**
   1. See NOR 3.4
2. **FURTHER INFORMATION** 
   1. For further information please contact the Fleet Captain Hillary Noble:

[J24fleet50@gmail.com](mailto:J24fleet50@gmail.com)

Cell: 239 289 7383

* 1. Fleet contacts are listed on the Fleet website at:

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

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