



**Mudhead 50th Anniversary Regatta/ 2026 Benefit
Cup for Sails Up 4 Cancer
NOTICE OF RACE
Saturday, August 15, 2026**

Organizing Authority: Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, U.S. Sailing Prescriptions and applicable One-Design class Rules.
- 1.2 Changes to rules will be noted in the Sailing Instructions with each rule changed.
- 1.3 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or
- 1.4 National letters and sail numbers shall be of a contrasting color to the body of the sail.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50839> on or before August 10, 2026

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Online Notice Board is located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50839>. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 1001 (01A).
- 3.2 The Race Committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio channel 1001 (01A).
- 3.3 The RC may use the text function of YachtScoring to communicate with participants.
- 3.4 From her start until she finishes, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 4.1 The Regatta is open to all sailing vessels with a PHRF Rating. The boats will be scored in two classes: Spinnaker Class and a Cruising/Non-Spinnaker Class.
- 4.2 Boats will use the currently published ECSA PHRF handicap rating for that boat. If one is not available, the Race Committee will assign a PHRF Rating at its discretion.
- 4.3 Entry form is located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50839>
- 4.4 Entries close at 1600 on August 14, 2026.
- 4.5 Participating boat shall hold insurance, including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$50 per boat payable upon registration
- 5.2 Party tickets are \$50 in advance (before 5AM on 8/15/26) and \$65 at the door.

6 COURSES/SCORING

- 6.1 Courses shall utilize government marks and will be decided at the Race Committee's discretion.
- 6.2 ***The 2026 Benefit Cup is a PURSUIT race.***

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 First Start will be 1100, Saturday, August 15, 2026.
- 7.2 Starting time for each boat will be communicated by email (text) to each skipper no later than 0900 Saturday August 15, 2026.
- 7.3 One race is scheduled.

8 VENUE(s)

- 8.1 The Starting Area will be located South of Groton Long Point. Monitor VHF radio channel 1001 (01A). for any changes to the Starting Area.
- 8.2 The Shore Party will be at *Rocks 21*, 3 Williams Ave, Mystic, CT 06355

9 AWARDS AND CONTACTS

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded at The Shore Party immediately after The Race.
- 9.2 PRO – Matthew Curtiss, mudheadRC@gmail.com

Participation in the regatta is entirely at your own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

SU4C/MRMSA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained prior to, during, or after racing or any related onshore events.