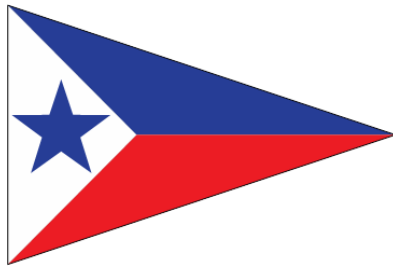


POCO LOCO BAY RACE

Saturday, September 26th, 2026

Hosted By:



Richmond County Yacht Club

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Staten Island, New York 10308

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www.rcyachtclub.org

Notice of Race

The annual Poco Loco Bay race is dedicated to our cherished friend and RCYC member Richard O'Connell passed away on March 3, 2001.

The 2025 Poco Loco Bay race will raise funds for donation to the Tunnel to Towers foundation. Since 9/11, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation has been helping America's heroes by providing mortgage-free homes to Gold Star and fallen first responder families with young children and by building specially-adapted smart homes for catastrophically injured veterans and first responders. The Foundation is also committed to eradicating veteran homelessness and helping America to Never Forget September 11, 2001.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing and the Poco Loco Bay Race Sailing Instructions.

2 Eligibility and Entry

2.1 Eligibility

The regatta is open to all PHRF-MA members for the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions.

All PHRF-MA members must submit a current PHRF rating certificate by emailing a digital copy to the Regatta Committee at Richmond County Yacht Club (regatta@rcyachtclub.org)

2.2 Entry

Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry process on the Yacht Scoring website (www.yachtscoring.com) and paying the entry fee by September 26th 2026.

Direct link: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50916>

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3 Classes

There will be a Spinnaker Division (A), a Non-Spinnaker Division (B) Sub-Divisions will be created based on the number of applicants in each division.

4 Fees

The entry fee is for PHRF classes is \$135. The PHRF class entry fee includes two tickets to the post-Race Awards ceremony, barbeque and party. Additional tickets will be available on the Yacht Scoring website or from the regatta committee at check-in, for \$25.00 per person.

We appreciate your support of this charity event. Please note that, as we are fundraising for a good cause, refunds cannot be issued within 7 days of the event. Thank you for your understanding and generosity.

5 Qualifying Series – not applicable

6 Schedule

Saturday	September 26 th , 2026
Check-in	0900
Skippers Meeting	1000
Harbor Start	1100
First Warning	1200 (5 minute warning at 1200)
Post-Race Party	1900

7 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions are available on the Yacht Scoring website at

[ADD Direct Link Here](#)

8 Venue

Richmond County Yacht Club, Raritan Bay, Lower New York Bay

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- 9 Course **Start and Finish line are now at the RCYC Race Pin (N 40°30.902' W 074° 08.397)**

MARKS

Start/Finish Line: between an orange flag on the committee boat and the RCYC start pin (N40°30.9' W74°08.4')

OO: Old Orchard Shoal Lighthouse Island

WB: West Bank Lighthouse

RB "10" @ Norton Point (N40 34.2 W74 00.7)

G"21" @ Ambrose Channel (N40 34.0 W74 02.1)

R"2"QR @ Approx 1 NM north of Verrazano Narrow Bridge (N40 37.4 W74 02.8)

COURSES:

Course	Length (nm)
#1 Start Line – OO (port) – WB (port) - R"2"QR (port) – WB (starboard) – OO (starboard) – Finish Line	19.8
#2 Start Line – OO (port) – WB (port) – RB"10" (port) – G"21" (port) - WB (starboard) – OO (starboard) – Finish Line	14.9
#3 Start Line – OO (port) – WB (port) – OO (starboard) – Finish Line	9.6
#4 Start Line – OO (port) – Start Line	3.7

12 Penalty System

For all classes rule 44.1 is in effect

13 Scoring

The Low Point Scoring system of Appendix A4 of the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.

14 Support Boats, 15-Berthing, 16-Haul-Out Restrictions, and 17-Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools - not applicable.

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15 Radio Communications

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. The Race Committee will announce course changes on Channel 71. Boats are encouraged to monitor Channel 71 during the race and should advise the Race Committee on that channel if they drop out.

16 Prizes

Overall Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third Places in each sub-division.

17 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 2025-2028 Rule 3, Decision to Race. Richmond County Yacht Club 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.

18 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. It is the owner's or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is current and adequate before participating in this regatta.

19 Further Information

A post-race party and awards presentation will follow the race including:

- Awards
- Dinner
- Beverages

Party Only Cost \$35.00 Total Per Head. PHRF Entry Fee includes 2 Party Tickets.

20 Contacts for the Poco Loco Regatta

regatta@rcyachtclub.org

Additional Tax Deductible Contributions to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation will be accepted cheerfully.

Please make out a separate check payable directly to The Tunnell to Towers Foundation for donations.

For more information about the foundation, please visit: [Tunnel to Towers Foundation \(t2t.org\)](http://Tunnel to Towers Foundation (t2t.org))

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