



Joppa Flats Notice of Race

Joppa Flats Summer Sailing 2023 **Hosted by the American Yacht Club, Newburyport, MA**

The American Yacht Club will host racing for small boats on Joppa Flats. Any sailboat 20' or under is eligible. Membership is not required to participate.

Racing will be held for two Fleets. 1) Laser/ILCA fleet, including Full, Radial, and 4.7 rigs. Class legal gear not required. 2) Mixed Small boat fleet includes any sailboat 20' or under. The Mixed Fleet is generally not handicapped since ratings are not available for all boats. Generally the fleets will run separate starts, but the two fleets can be combined at Race Committee Discretion.

Rules and Penalties- The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* ('RRS'). Infraction requiring turns will only require 1 penalty turn (360). There will be no off the water protests or protest hearings.

Registration: Registration is on the day of the event only. Cash only please. Fee is \$15/Boat. Juniors (under 18) sail for free.

Rigging, Launching: Guests can rig and launch at the club. **Please be rigged before the skipper's meeting** so boats have time to launch and be on the course for First Gun.

Alternatively, the Joppa Flats ramp is a great place for guests to rig and launch. Sailors can walk down the rail trail to the club for the skipper's meeting or register with RC on the water.

Schedule: Start times vary to maximize sailing time around the high tide. Plan to arrive and rig early enough to be complete with rigging by the skipper's meeting. Skipper's meeting takes place at the American Yacht Club **One Hour before first gun.**

First warning gun will be at the time noted on the schedule. Start sequences will be 3 minutes. The last race will start no later than 2 hours after the first gun.

Questions and Google Group:

There is a Google Group for anyone who is interested which is the best way to follow updates for the Fleet. For questions or to be added to the Google group, please email:

Regatta Committee Chair- Nat Coughlin
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Date	Day	Event	High Tide	
May 21	Sunday	Joppa Fleet- Practice day? 12:30 first gun	1:43 PM	<i>No charge for practice day</i>
June 4	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 11AM first gun	12:36 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
June 18	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 11AM first gun	12:37 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
July 9	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 4PM first gun	5:30 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
July 23	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 3PM first gun	4:22 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
Aug 6	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 3PM first gun	4:09 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
Aug 20	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 1:30PM first gun	3:03 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
Sep 3	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 1:30PM first gun	2:50 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
Sep 17	Sunday	Joppa Fleet 12:30PM first gun	1:51 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>
Oct 1	Sunday	Joppa Fleet NOON first gun	1:36 PM	<i>Launch ready 1 hr before first gun</i>