

## Laser Frostbiting 2017-18 Season



### Laser Racers, Laser Racers,

Huguenot Yacht Club would like to invite you to join us on the beautiful winter waters of Western Long Island Sound for our 2017-18 Laser Frostbiting Season. We get underway Sunday October 22nd for a meet and greet and shakedown race if possible with racing starting officially on October 29th, running races as the rest of the world hibernates through to March 31st, 2018.

#### What to expect:

- Up to six Windward/Leeward, Triangle, Harry Anderson, or No-jibe courses every Sunday (with an almost leisurely first start time of 1300.) The races are run fast and fun, and you still get back to the club with time to debrief and decompress with your fellow racers, enjoy a bite to eat or otherwise kick back. The season scores are separated into two series - a *Fall/Winter Series* and a *Winter/Spring Series* - with prizes for each and overall. We also bring our away game to a separate New Years Regatta at Manhasset Bay; participate in The McCauley Regatta which HYC hosts; and end the season as the weather warms with a navigator's race finale we call the Execution Rocks Race Out and Return (affectionately known as the ERROR Race.)
- Open to Full and Radial rigged Lasers which start together but are scored separately
- Comfortable RC boat and a Crash Boat to catch all your winning moves or occasional capsizes
- A warm club room for suiting up
- An even warmer bar and dining room for post-racing debriefs and coffee, refreshments, dinner.
- Winter Membership which allows for the above perks of club membership. (Note: You do not need to be a full member of HYC to participate in the Frostbiting season - the program is open to racers not currently affiliated with the club.)
- Cost: A **\$140 Dock Fee** gets you Laser dock space in protected waters, ready to rig, push off and go; **\$175 Participation Fee** pays for the race management *and* the season-end Awards Ceremony; and a **\$50 Winter Membership** (for non-HYC members) allows you club access. That's **\$365 total**. (Note: You do not need to keep your boat at HYC if you'll be making it to the course area from your home berth so subtract the dockage fee if that's the case.)
- Need to charter a boat? Let us know. Though HYC does not charter boats, there are always a few boats available to charter from individuals and we'll put you in touch. The fee for this will vary depending upon the charter, but if the past is any indication, it's been about \$500 for the season.
- What else you need: **A drysuit, PFD, and tow rope, are the only mandatory equipment** so start getting your kit together now.
- How you can help: **Forward this to anyone you think might want to join or otherwise put them in contact with me at the email below!**

- To keep us organized: We use a calendar app that allows all participants to know how many racers are planning on attending each Sunday; whether we have room for extra Race Committee Volunteers (yes, you can bring your family and friends to hang out and watch the races from the RC boat); and to basically keep each other in the loop.

- How to sign up? Contact me at the email address below and I'll send you an entry form and waiver. Fill them out, send them in with your payment, and we're all set.

Hope to see you on the water!  
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### **HYC Laser Frostbiting Season 2017 - 2018 Schedule**

**Skipper's Meeting / Pre-season shake down / Meet and Greet:** October 22nd, 11:30am  
Bring your boats down and get them on the dock. Check to see if all your gear is good and meet a few folks. If we feel like it we can head out and do some impromptu racing or just mess around to get the lead out.

#### **Fall/Winter Series**

October 29  
November 5, 12, 19, 26,  
December 3, 10

**\*Manhasset Bay New Years Regatta:** December 31 - January 1?

**\*McAuley Regatta:** December 16-17  
Annual two day regatta at Huguenot Yacht Club for Lasers and JC9s\*

#### **Fall/Winter Series Continued:**

January 7, 14, 21

#### **Winter/Spring Series**

January 28  
February 4, 11, 18, 25  
March 4, 11, 18, 25

**ERROR RACE aka Execution Rocks Race Out and Return Navigators Race:** March 31st

Start between GC"9" and R"10" by Aunt Phoebe Rock  
Course is around Execution Rocks - any direction, no other marks (that is about 4 mi).  
Depending on the conditions we may shorten it to around David's Island.  
Charts will be supplied if you are unsure of the depths.  
Once around - only one race.

**Frostbite Awards Dinner - TBD**

\*The Manhasset Bay New Years Regatta and the McAuley Regatta are separate events that will need to be signed up for independently and are not covered by the season fees.

Note: Start time for regular series races is 13:00. Anticipate enough time for rigging (and shoveling out) so that the dock departure time of 12:30 may be met without fail.