



## NOTICE OF RACE

### THE GREAT RACE

*Saturday, September 8, 2007*

*Sponsored by the Annisquam Yacht Club*

- Start** 12:00 Noon Warning
- Registration** Complete the enclosed Registration Form and return it with the entry fee to the Annisquam Yacht Club no later than Wednesday, September 5.
- Entry Fee** \$15.00 (\$20.00 for non-U.S. Sailing members)
- Race Management** The Annisquam Yacht Club Race Committee will assume race management responsibility.
- Scoring** Yachts will be handicapped in accordance with their 2007 PHRF rating. The Annisquam Yacht Club Race Committee will assign a rating in the event that no rating is provided on the Registration Form. Yachts will be presumed to be competing under their Racing Rating unless they have either registered as competing under their Cruising Rating, or notified the Annisquam Yacht Club Race Committee of their intention to compete under their Cruising Rating. Said notification must be made prior to the Warning Signal.
- Sailing Instructions** Yachts competing under their Cruising Rating may not fly a spinnaker or similar headsail, except where specified otherwise by the PHRF rules or sailing instructions. Failure to comply with this restriction will result in disqualification.
- All yachts (racing and cruising) will start at the same signal and compete for the same prizes. Prizes will be awarded to the first five finishers on corrected time.
- Rules** The current Racing Rules of Sailing (2005-2008) as adopted by the US Sailing Association will govern this event, except where specified otherwise by the PHRF Rules or the Sailing Instructions. Each participant is solely responsible for determining that their yacht is seaworthy for any and all conditions that might be encountered.
- After-Race Activities** Prizes will be awarded at the Annisquam Yacht Club following the race. Chowder and refreshments will be served in the clubhouse. (In conformance with the Club liquor license, members and guests are

prohibited from bringing beer, wine or liquor onto Club premises.)  
Contact the Annisquam Yacht Club in advance if you would like to  
reserve a mooring, which are in limited supply.

### **Magic Cup**

This is the last race of the season qualifying yachts for the Magic  
Cup. The trophy will be awarded immediately after The Great Race  
to the boat with the best combined results in the five Cape Ann  
Interclub Races (Cape Ann Challenge, Ipswich Chowder Race,  
Sandy Bay Ocean Race, Mayor's Cup, and The Great Race).



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**Starting Sequence**

Rule 26 of the Racing Rules of Sailing will govern the start. For example, Class Flag (Code “E”) will be raised at the warning five minutes before start; Code Flag “P” will be raised at four minutes before the start; Code Flag “P” will be removed one minute prior to start and the Class Flag will be removed at the start.

**Starting Mark**

Vicinity of the Annisquam “AR” Bell.

**Starting Line**

The starting line will be between the Annisquam Yacht Club Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag and the starting mark.

Please check in with the Race Committee at the starting vicinity.

The Race Committee will broadcast any yachts OCS for an individual or a general recall after the start on Channel 67. Failure of such yachts to receive such notification shall not be grounds for protest or redrun.

**Course**

The course will be signaled by the Race Committee.

Government Marks Used As Racing Buoys

- “A” Annisquam Bell “AR”
- “D” Davis Can #3
- “E” Essex River Bell G1
- “I” Ipswich Bell R2
- “L” Lanesville Can 1
- “M” Merrimack River Whistle RW “MR” MO(A)
- “R” Rockport Breakwater Gong G3

Portable Marks Used With Government Marks May be Designated as Follows

- Y Portable finishing mark
- G Portable gibing mark
- S Portable starting mark
- T Portable leeward mark
- W Portable winward mark

<b>Finish</b>	The finish line will be between the Annisquam Yacht Club Committee boat and the finishing mark.
<b>Changes</b>	As Provided under Rule 32 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Race Committee may shorten the course by finishing the race at any mark of the course. Notice of a shortened course shall be Code Flag “S” plus two sound signals. As provided under Rule 33 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, at any mark the Committee may signal a change of the position of the next mark or the finishing line by displaying Code Flag “C” with repetitive sounds.
<b>Time Limit</b>	Yachts must finish by 1700 hours. Yachts failing to finish by 1700 hours will be scored “Did Not Finish” (DNF). This changes Rules 35 and A4.
<b>Withdrawals</b>	Yachts withdrawing from the race are to notify the Annisquam Yacht Race Committee on Channel 67.
<b>VHF</b>	Participants may monitor the Annisquam Yacht Club Race Committee on Channel 67.
<b>Protests</b>	Protests will be heard by the Annisquam Yacht Club Protest Committee. Protesting yachts must display a red flag and secure acknowledgement of same from the Race Committee upon finishing. Protests must be filed within 30 minutes of the last yacht’s finish in writing and must indicate yacht protested and rule under which protest is made.