



Virginia Beach Neptune Festival and Broad Bay Sailing Association Present:

Neptune's Atlantic Regatta



Saturday – September 30, 2023

- Entry Fee:** \$85.00 includes a special gift bag containing 2 party wristbands, 2 t-shirts, an event flag and other special merchandise. \$20 discount if received by September 1. This race benefits the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival, a non-profit 501-c-3 organization.
- Entries:** **Due by 1800 hours on September 25 (applies to fleet changes and ORC sail declaration changes).** Online entry (**preferred!**) at www.broadbaysailing.org, or mail standard CBYRA entry form and the \$85 entry fee or specially discounted \$65 early entry fee (make checks payable to BBSA) to:
Jerry Pattenaude • 2605 Bainbridge Blvd. • Chesapeake, VA 23324
- Info/Questions:** Jerry Pattenaude at 757/543-3029 or neptune@broadbaysailing.org. The Regatta Sailing Instructions can be obtained after September 26, by contacting Jerry Pattenaude or at www.broadbaysailing.org.
- Skippers' Meeting:** 1830 hours on **Thursday, September 28** at [Elizabeth River Boat Landing and Park](#), 1400 Elizabeth River Way, Chesapeake, VA 23324.
- Course:** The course will be from just north of Little Creek, around Cape Henry, finishing in front of the Virginia Beach oceanfront.
- Starting System:** Staggered/pursuit start with PHRF handicaps being taken into account at the beginning of the race. For calculation and starting times, Non-spinnaker and Cruising classes will be given an extra allowance to allow all participants to compete for the First to Finish Trophy. ORC Cruiser boats will use their PHRF rating (or be assigned one) for the First to Finish Trophy.
- Starting Line:** Near Little Creek channel buoy R "2" just north of Little Creek inlet.
- Finish Line:** Will be off the Virginia Beach oceanfront in the vicinity of the Virginia Beach Surf and Rescue Museum (formerly the Old Coast Guard Station).in the area of 24th Street. Any boat dropping out of the race is requested to notify the Race Committee on VHF 72 or 757/803-3563.
- Classes:** PHRF A, B, C, N (single headsail only) with valid PHRF rating / Cruising (non-spinnaker - single headsail only), and ORC Cruiser with valid ORC rating and meeting requirements for Dynamic Allowance. The Cruising class is open to all boats that do not have a valid PHRF rating and/or skippers who race only occasionally. A courtesy rating shall be assigned by the race committee, if needed, and shall not be subject to redress. A class must have at least 3 entries to be eligible for class trophies; PHRF spinnaker and ORC Cruiser classes may be combined to facilitate this.
- Time:** First Flag = 0925 hours.
- Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, PHRF, and ORC Cruiser class rules. Boats shall conform to US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Near Shore (<https://broadbaysailing.org/resources/Documents/Racing/Monohull-SER-2023.0.pdf>) as modified in the Sailing Instructions.
- Awards:** Class awards will be based on number of entries in addition to the First to Finish. The post race party with great food and refreshments will be Saturday evening at 1800 hours on the grounds of the Virginia Beach Surf and Rescue Museum among the activities of the Neptune Festival Boardwalk Weekend. The awards ceremony will be at 1845 hours. There may be limited dockage available in Lake Wesley just inside Rudee Inlet for Saturday night. This is Race #14 of the Southern Bay Distance Racing Series (SBDRS).