



NEWPORT YACHT CLUB
2018 PREDICTED LOG RACE



NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

We are calling for entries in the Second Annual Newport Yacht Club Predicted Log Competition.

A predicted log competition (it is *not* a race) is a time and navigation exercise to see how well you know your boat. As its name implies, it involves predicting how much time it will take you to get from Point A to Point B, taking into consideration currents, winds and other factors affecting your boat's speed. Your actual results are then compared to your prediction, and the smallest deviation wins.

Here is how it works:

1. All entrants are given a course to sail (*under power only*) using government marks. This year's course will be around Conanicut Island. A chart is attached indicating the approximate course. The Contest Log will include a table of the latitude and longitude for each individual mark that must be rounded, and the direction of the rounding.
2. Prior to running the course, you must complete the attached IPBA Sanctioned Contest Log, indicating the *predicted* time you will complete the distance between each leg. A copy must be given to the Principal Race Officer in advance, which will constitute an entry in the competition.
3. At a time of your choosing, but prior to September 30, 2018, you will sail (*power only*) the course as indicated. You will record the *actual* time to complete each leg, and the *actual* start and finish times. All times must be in seconds.
4. Each mark of the course must be left to port or starboard, as indicated on the Log, within 50 feet (unless the safety of the boat and crew require otherwise).
5. All other government navigation marks must be properly observed (i.e. you may not cut corners).
6. Your team may consist of a skipper and a navigator. It must also include one *independent observer*.
7. Once you have begun to run the course, you *must not touch* the throttle. RPM's must remain constant, unless either the vessel or the crew are in danger, or if it is necessary to alter course for safety reasons. Neither the skipper nor the navigator may use any electronic navigation instruments during the race. Chart plotters should be covered or turned off. You can only use your compass, a digital watch and visual piloting.
8. Marks must be rounded in ascending order in one continuous run, leaving each to either starboard (s) or port (p) as indicated.
9. The completed contest log must be given to the PRO prior to the end date of the competition (September 30, 2018). Results will be tabulated, and the winner announced at the annual Regatta Committee Awards at the end of October.
10. There may be a small entry fee (to be determined) to cover the cost of the trophy at the awards party. A perpetual trophy, engraved with the names of the winners, was donated by Gordon Stone. Please be sure to thank him.

That's all there is to it!

So, to summarize:

- Record your predictions
- Give a copy to the PRO
- Run the course
- Do Not touch the throttle, and turn off electronics
- Record your actual times
- Turn log into PRO
- Collect prize

THIS IS NOT JUST FOR POWER BOATS—SAIL BOATS WITH ENGINES ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE AS WELL.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Regatta Committee or Past Commodore Michael Warren (401-374-0341, michaelwarren@cox.net).

Attachments:

- A. Newport Yacht Club Predicted Log Championship perpetual trophy (where the names of your boat, skipper and navigator, along with the winning deviation, will appear).
- B. Chart indicating course and government marks to be rounded (distances are *approximate*, and will depend on the route taken around land obstructions. You should plot your own course, but remember, you *cannot use* your chart plotter while under way.)
- C. IPBA Sanctioned Contest Log
- D. Predicted Log Edu (A primer on Predicted Log Competitions)