



Instructions for Tuesday Evening Race Committee Duty
A Breakwater Tradition

The following are the race committee duties and procedures for the Breakwater Irregular Tuesday Evening races. The actual yacht assignments will be posted on the web site. Thanks once again to the generosity of the Stamford Yacht Club for the use of "On The Line" as our committee boat and a big thanks to the volunteer race officers that come every Tuesday to run these races for the enjoyment of the Breakwater Irregular fleet.

HERE'S WHAT YOU DO:

1. Check the assignments and schedule regularly as posted on our web site. Skippers whose yachts are listed will also receive an email notification.
2. If you are on the schedule, you need to CONTACT ME ASAP to confirm that you have received and accepted your assignment. The easiest and best is a simple reply to the email (preferred), or I can be contacted:
 - email edtella@aol.com
 - phone at home 203-544-9651
 - cell phone 860-214-0935

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THE RC DATE ASSIGNED TO YOU, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO TRADE DATES WITH ANOTHER BOAT AND LET ME KNOW.

3. RECONFIRM with ME the Friday, Saturday or Sunday before your Tuesday RC duty that you will be there. Please do not assume that you can reconfirm with Ray or another member of the committee -- there is no guarantee they will pass the message on to me!
4. PLAN AHEAD so that on your date you can provide:
 - Three crew members -- each with some race experience -- no novices, please! AND
 - Dinner for nine people (including paper plates, cutlery, cups, etc.) to feed your three crew and the six regular Breakwater Irregulars RC crew.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT:

- FAILURE TO SHOW UP ON YOUR ASSIGNED DAY WILL RESULT IN YOUR BOAT'S DISQUALIFICATION FOR THE SERIES.
- We try our best not to have new boats do committee their first series, and not to have boats that did committee last year do it again this year. But we can't guarantee this -- all depends on who and how many sign up.
- Yachts not racing as a result of RC duty will have 1 less number of trophy qualifying races for the series in which they provide RC duty.
- If you have enough crew to provide RC committee and to race, this is fine with u

- If your e-mail address changes, please let me know ASAP.

ON YOUR ASSIGNED DAY:

1. Three of your crew members should be on the Stamford Yacht Club dock no later than 6pm (earlier is better) ready to board *On The Line*. The Breakwater Irregulars will provide a "permanent" RC crew to run the committee boat, including a Race Officer.
2. You are responsible for bringing drinks and dinner for nine -- please be generous and creative -- and you can be rewarded! All boats serving as Race Committee are eligible to win our coveted GR Award, presented at the Annual Awards Dinner to the boat with the highest total "Gourmet Rating" for the year.
3. Your crew will work with the Race Officer and RC crew to choose a course, set the line, check in the boats, signal each division start and finish, and record times. The Race Officer will tally and report the results.

PLEASE e-mail or call me if you have any questions. This actually can be fun, and is fun, -- particularly watching the action at the starts, and listening to the regular RC crew's often insightful comments about your competition!

Thank you, be safe, and have fun out there!

Ed Tella
RC Coordinator