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Notice of Race

Inshore Racing Fleet Series 2026

Wahine Invitational Regatta
Sunday April 26th, 2026

1. **RULES:** These races will be governed by the current year Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); the US SAILING prescriptions excluding prescriptions to Rule 63.2; and the current KYC Standing Sailing Instructions (available at KYC). Kaneohe Yacht Club is the organizing authority.

2. **ELIGIBILITY and ENTRIES:**

   2.1 The Series are open to monohull keel boats with an overall length of 20 feet minimum to 35.5 feet maximum, with a KYC PH Rating less than 198. Exceptions may be at the discretion of the IRF fleet. Boats shall be owned or chartered by a member of KYC, or a Hawaii Yacht Racing Association affiliated organization.

   2.2 A female must be at the helm from the warning signal to the finish of each race. If a male touches the helm during this time, the yacht shall retire from that race. Crew shall be at least 50% female, (rounded up for odd number crews). More females are preferred but not required. Females are expected to have key roles. The skipper (not crew) shall be a member in good standing of any HYRA member club in order to be eligible for the North Sails Wahine Skipper of the Year Trophy.

   2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form and submitting it with the required fee to KYC by 1000 on race day. Registration opens at 0930. All interested participants are asked to communicate intent to sail via the Wahine Sailing Series GroupMe chat.

i Skippers who are members of the IRF fleet,

   2.4 INSURANCE: U.S. Sailing borrowed boat insurance will not be in force. Skippers choose to race at their own risk. Participants will be responsible for all costs of any loss or damage not covered by the owner's insurance. Participants are responsible for borrowing or chartering boats.

3. **FEES:** The Entry Fee is the same as the IRF Series paid to the IRF fleet captain, with an additional $5 fee per boat to be paid to the Wahine Sailing Series at registration. Cash or Venmo on race day is acceptable.

4. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

0930 Registration Opens
1000 Skipper's Meeting
1155 First Warning for Race 1

Four races will run on April 26th.
Race #1 will be scored as IRF Series A (A1 race #2).
Races 2, 3, & 4 will be scored for IRF Series B2 and for Wahine Series.
Races 2, 3, and 4 will be started shortly after the last finish of the prior race.

5. **COURSES:** The racing area will be on Kaneohe Bay east of Moku o Loʻe (Coconut Island) with courses indicated in the manner described in the current KYC Standing Sailing Instructions.

6. **SCORING:** No race scores will be discarded for this regatta. The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply.

7. **PRIZES:** Winner of the IRF Wahine Invitational Regatta will be announced at the end of the regatta. Take-home prizes will be awarded for first through third place. The North Sails Skipper of the Year Perpetual Trophy will be awarded at the HYRA Awards Presentation.

8. **FURTHER INFORMATION:** Regatta Chair : Andrea Cheung <mafaun@gmail.com> and Wahine POC: Leslie Foster <newmamaleslief@gmail.com>



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2026 IRF Wahine Invitational ENTRY FORM

To the KYC Regatta Chair:

Please Enter: _____ Sail #: _____ KYC PHRF: _____
(boat name)

Skipper: _____ Member of: _____
(Sailing Club/Association)

E-mail : _____ US Sailing Member # _____

Entry Fee of $5 Paid: YES:_____ NO:_____

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**:** I am taking part in this regatta at my own risk and on my own responsibility. I understand that all parties involved with the organization of the event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the races covered by the Notice of Race. I also certify that I carry personal liability insurance in the amount of $500,000 or more.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(skipper)