



NOTICE OF RACE

INTERNATIONAL YACHT CLUB CHALLENGE

AUGUST 17 - 20, 2017

Hosted by the Manhattan Yacht Club
Sponsored by the New York Harbor Sailing Foundation

- 1. NAME OF EVENT:** The name of the event is the International Yacht Club Challenge.
- 2. PURPOSE OF EVENT:** The purpose of the event is to promote international goodwill through friendly competition.
- 3. HOST OF THE EVENT:** The host of the event is Manhattan Yacht Club which is celebrating its 30th Anniversary in 2017. In 1987, MYC re-introduced recreational sailing to New York Harbor.
- 4. SPONSOR OF THE EVENT:** The sponsor of the event is the New York Harbor Sailing Foundation. The Foundation's mission is to foster and promote amateur sailing of national and international importance in New York Harbor.
- 5. HISTORY OF EVENT:** The first International Yacht Club Challenge was organized by Manhattan Yacht Club in 1988. The Challenge was subsequently organized in 1989, 1991 (co-organized with Yacht Club de Monaco), 1992, and then under the patronage of Dennis Conner in 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2012 & 2014.
- 6. ENTRIES:** Any Yacht Club can request to enter the International Yacht Club Challenge. The Selection Committee will review all requests and issue invitations with the goal of a fleet from around the world.
- 7. RULES:** The regatta will be raced according to the International Racing Rules of Sailing as adopted by US Sailing.
- 8. YACHTS & EQUIPMENT:** This regatta will be raced on identical J/24 sailboats provided by the Manhattan Yacht Club and will include all sails, sheets and other racing equipment. Teams may only use the equipment provided. No additional equipment may be brought aboard by any teams. Teams will switch boats after each race.

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 (optional)

1000 – 1600 – Practice sailing permitted in the harbor.

1730 – Opportunity to observe MYC's Wednesday evening race from the clubhouse.

Thursday, August 17, 2017

1000 – Practice sailing permitted in the harbor.

1500 - 1600 – Practice Race

1800 - Opening Ceremony, Regatta Dinner and Exchange of Burgees & Reciprocal Privileges on the Clubhouse in harbor (required).

Friday, August 18, 2017

1100 – Race 1 followed by Races 2 & 3

1800 – Dinner & Starlight Cruise in New York Harbor on Arabella

Saturday, August 19, 2017

1100 - Race 4 followed by Races 5 & 6

Open evening

Sunday, August 20, 2017

1100 – Race 7 followed by Race 8

1700 – Awards Presentation

2000 - Closing Ceremony

10. RACING AREA: Races will be held in New York Harbor. All races will start and finish from the Honorable William Wall, Manhattan Yacht Club's floating clubhouse anchored north of Ellis Island.

11. COURSES: Courses will be windward-leeward. Inflatable marks will be set by Race Committee. Because the starting location is fixed, races may start upwind or downwind.

12. CREW: This is an amateur event designed to attract foreign club sailors. The crew rules are:

A. Boats must be raced by amateur crews who are not paid to participate.

B. At least 3 sailors on each crew must be members of the Yacht Club they represent for a minimum of one year before this Challenge.

C. Unlimited crew substitution of similar weight is allowed during the regatta.

D. The maximum crew on a J/24 is 6 and the minimum is 4.

13. SOCIAL TEAM & SPECTATING: Participating Yacht Clubs are also encouraged to bring a Social Team. Social Teams will be able to watch all races from the Honorable William Wall. Transportation to and from the clubhouse is provided by launch and tickets are \$20 per day.

14. ENTRY FEE: The entry fee is \$1,000 which covers the cost of the boat charter. There will also be social events during the Challenge and tickets will be available to purchase.

15. DAMAGE DEPOSIT: There is a \$1,000 damage deposit which will be refunded to teams at the end of the regatta unless your team causes damage to one of the J/24 sailboats.

16. SCORING: The Low Point Scoring System will be used. If 5 or more races are completed, each team may discard one race.

17. PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded to the top five teams.

18. SPECIAL PRIZES: Each team should bring a symbolic (and humorous) gift to present to the team which finishes directly behind them in the overall standings. These gifts will be presented at the Closing Ceremony.

19. RECIPROCAL RELATIONSHIPS: All yacht clubs participating in the Challenge will be asked to establish reciprocal relationships with Manhattan Yacht Club. This provides for future interactions between our clubs, and for members to visit each other's clubhouse on an occasional basis.

For more information, please contact Manhattan Yacht Club at office@myc.org or 212-786-3323.



International Yacht Club Challenge

Past Champions

1988

- 1st – Societe Nautique de St Malo**
- 2nd – Lake Geneva Yacht Club
- 3rd – Royal Belgian Sailing Club
- 4th – Royal Akarana Yacht Club
- 5th – KWV De Kaag

1989

- 1st – Royal Belgium Sailing Club**
- 2nd – Raritan Yacht Club
- 3rd – Irish Ocean Racing Club
- 4th – Societe Nautique de St Malo
- 5th – Kungl. Svenska Sallskapet

1991

- 1st – Societe Nautique de Geneve**
- 2nd – Yacht Club Costa Smeralda
- 3rd – Societe Nautique de St Malo
- 4th – Kieler Yacht Club
- 5th – Irish Ocean Racing Club

1992

- 1st – Societe Nautique de St Malo**
- 2nd – Yacht Club de Monaco
- 3rd – Montego Bay Yacht Club
- 4th – Seattle Yacht Club
- 5th – Keiler Yacht Club

2006

- 1st – Oslo Yacht Club**
- 2nd – Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club
- 3rd – St. Francis Yacht Club
- 4th – Segel- und Yacht Club Herrliberg
- 5th - Yacht Club Bulgaria

2007

- 1st – Raritan Yacht Club**
- 2nd – Royal Cork Yacht Club
- 3rd – Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
- 4th – Cayman Islands Sailing Club
- 5th – Malletts Bay Boat Club

2009

- 1st - Manhattan Yacht Club**
- 2nd - Yacht Club de Monaco
- 3rd - Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
- 4th - Club Náutico Valle de Bravo
- 5th - Oslo Seilforening

2010

- 1st – Societe Nautique Rolloise**
- 2nd – Southern Yacht Club
- 3rd – Royal Cork Yacht Club
- 4th - Burgenlaendischer Yacht Club
- 5th – Howth Yacht Club

2012

- 1st - Manhattan Yacht Club A**
- 2nd - Kongelig Dansk Yacht Klub
- 3rd - Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
- 4th - Aachener Boots-Club
- 5th – Manhattan Yacht Club B

2014

- 1st – Royal Cape Yacht Club**
- 2nd – Kongelig Dansk Yacht Klub
- 3rd – Cercle de la Voile de la Société Nautique de Genève
- 4th – Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club
- 5th – Howth Yacht Club Team

International Yacht Club Challenge

Past Participants

Argentina

Club Universitario de Buenos Aires – 2014

Australia

Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (2012)
Freemantle Sailing Club (2007)
Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron (2012 & 2014)

Austria

Burgenlaendischer Yacht Club (2010)

Belgium

Royal Belgium Sailing Club (1988, 89 & 92)

Bermuda

Royal Bermuda Yacht Club (2007, 2009 & 2012)
Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club (2014)

Bulgaria

Yacht Club Bulgaria (1991 & 2006)

Canada

Humber Sailing Club (2010)
Nepean Sailing Club (2006 & 2012)
Winnipeg Sailing Centre (2012)

Cayman Islands

Cayman Islands Sailing Club (2007)

China

Shanghai Boat & Yacht Club (2012 & 2014)

Denmark

Kongelig Dansk Yacht Klub (1992, 2012 & 2014)

England

Essex Yacht Club (1988)
London Corinthian Sailing Club (1988, 1989 & 1991)
Royal Alfred Yacht Club (1988)
Royal Dee Yacht Club (2009)
Royal Western Yacht Club (2006)

Thames Sailing Club (1988)

Finland

Merenkavijat Yacht Club (1991)

France

H22 France Sailing Club (2007)
Societe Nautique de Marseille (2009)
Societe Nautique de Saint-Tropez (2010)
Societe Nautique de St Malo (1988, 1989, 1991, 1992, 2014)
Yacht Club de France (1991)
Yacht Club du Fort Espagnol (1988)

Germany

Aachener Boots-Club (2012)
Duesseldorfer Yachtclub e.V. (2009)
Kieler Yacht Club (1991 & 1992)
Norddeutscher Regatta Verein (2014)
NRV-Die Alsterpiraten (2009)
Segler-Vereinigung Flensburg (2006)

Gibraltar

Royal Gibraltar Yacht Club (1988, 1989, 1991 & 1992)

The Netherlands

Koninklijke Roei- en Zeilvereniging De Maas (1988, 1989, 2009 & 2010)
Koninklijke Watersport Vereniging De Kaag (1988)
Koninklijke Watersport Vereniging Loosdrecht (1989, 1991 & 1992)

Ireland

Blessington Lakes Sailing Club (2007)
Howth Yacht Club (2010 & 2014)
Irish Ocean Racing Club (1989, 1991 & 1992)
Royal Cork Yacht Club (2007, 2010 & 2014)
Royal Irish Yacht Club (2006)
Royal St George Yacht Club (2009)
Wexford Harbour Boat and Tennis Club (2010)

Italy

Circolo Nautico Brenzone (2006)

Fraglia Vela Riva (2007)
Yacht Club Bergamo (2007 & 2009)
Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (1989 & 1991)

Jamaica

Montego Bay Yacht Club (1988, 1989 & 1992)

Japan

Japan Match Race Association (2012)
Nissan Marina Tokai (2014)
Osaka World Link Yacht Club (1989 & 1991)

Mexico

Club Náutico Valle de Bravo (2009)

Monaco

Yacht Club de Monaco (1988, 1989, 1991, 1992,
2009 & 2010)

New Zealand

Manukau Yacht and Motor Boat Club (2007)
Royal Akarana Yacht Club (1988, 1989 & 1991)

Norway

Kongelig Norsk Seilforening (1989, 1991, 1992
& 2014)
Oslo Yacht Club (2006)

Poland

Akademie Klub Morski Azsowski (1991)
Yacht Club Marina (1989)

Russia

Travels for Peace and Environment (1991)
Yacht Club Burevestnik (1992)
Yacht Club Tandem (1989)

Scotland

Invergordon Boating Club (2012)
Loch Morlich Sailing Club (2009 & 2010)

South Africa

Royal Cape Yacht Club (2014)
Royal Natal Yacht Club (2016)

Spain

Centro Internacional de Navegación de Arousa
(2009)

Sweden

Royal Swedish Yacht Club, KSSS (1988, 1989,
1991 & 2006)

Switzerland

Segel- und Yacht Club Herrliberg (2006)
Societe Nautique de Geneve (1991 & 2014)
Societe Nautique Rolloise (2010)

Turkey

Fenerbahce Sailing Club (2014)

United States of America

Lake Geneva Yacht Club (1988)
Malletts Bay Boat Club (2007)
Manhattan Yacht Club (1988, 1989, 1991, 1992,
2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014)
Raritan Yacht Club (1989 & 2007)
Seattle Yacht Club (1991 & 1992)
Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club (2006)
South Carolina Yacht Club (2009 & 2012)
Southern Yacht Club (2010)
St. Francis Yacht Club (2006)
St. Petersburg Yacht Club (2006)

International Yacht Club Challenge Request for Entry

Yacht Club: _____

Team Leader: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Your position within the yacht club: _____

Names of other sailors on your team (names will be listed on website): _____

Please email a digital image of your club burgee to office@myc.org for our website.

Entry Fee: \$1,000 which covers the boat charter. You may pay your entry fee by Visa, MasterCard or American Express card.

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card: _____

Signature of Card Holder _____

Please return this form to office@myc.org

Questions: Call Manhattan Yacht Club at 212-786-3323.

The Selection Committee will contact you after your Request for Entry has been received.

Sailing Area



All races start and finish from the Honorable William Wall, Manhattan Yacht Club's floating clubhouse anchored in the harbor. This means race can start in an upwind or downwind manner.



Spectators can get an excellent view of the exciting races from the Honorable William Wall.



The Statue of Liberty gazes over New York Harbor and the race course.



New York Harbor frequently benefits from an afternoon sea breeze in the summer months.



Many countries from around the world are represented.



All races start from the Clubhouse and in some wind directions, this means downwind.







One of the Challenge highlights is the Starlight Harbor Cruise on Arabella.



Special Prizes



The Oslo Yacht Club team which won in 2006 is presented with ceramic plates by the Club Náutico Valle de Bravo in 2009.



The Alsterpiraten team wears alligator hats presented to them by the South Carolina Yacht Club in 2009.