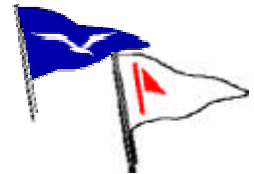


# Hospice Cup XXVI

## Notice of Race

### SHEARWATER SAILING CLUB / STORM TRYSAIL CLUB

Saturday 26 September 2009



Sanction # 350

- Entry Due:** Friday 11 September 2009 (Hospice Class) **Entry Fee:** USSA Members: \$40  
Monday 21 September 2009 (All classes except Hospice class) Others: \$45  
Late Fee: \$20
- Online Entry:** Check the CBYRA web site at [www.cbyra.org](http://www.cbyra.org) for online entry availability.
- Send To:** Chris Rogers  
11310 Old Hopkins Road  
Clarksville, MD 21029
- Contact:** Chris Rogers: 301.483.8821
- Classes:** Starts are anticipated for the following sanctioned classes:  
PHRF A0, A1, A2, A3, B, C/D, N, Corinthian, J/105, Catalina 27, and Cal 25  
Special Non-Spinnaker Class: Hospice Class  
Additional classes may arrange for a start by contacting SSC at the address above.
- Rendezvous:** As specified in the Event Sailing Instructions. Boats will be split into two fleets. Class assignments to fleets will be specified in the Event Sailing Instructions, which will be available by Thursday 24 September 2009 on the Shearwater website ([www.shearwatersc.org](http://www.shearwatersc.org)).
- Start:** Between yellow or orange flag on RC boat and nearby inflatable or government mark.
- Signals:** As specified in Event Sailing Instructions.
- Course:** CBYRA drop mark course or Annapolis Area Region 3 standard racing marks as designated by letters displayed on main RC boat.
- Finish:** Between yellow or orange flag on RC boat and last mark of course.
- Time Limit:** 3 hours. Boats not finishing within one hour of the first boat in their class to finish will be scored TLE (time limit expired) and awarded points equal to the number of finishers plus two, but in no case more than the number of starters. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.
- Radio:** Yachts should monitor VHF channel specified in the Event Sailing Instructions beginning at 1000 for courtesy communications from the Race Committee.
- Protests:** Mail to SSC Race Committee, at address for entry above, postmarked no later than Monday 28 September 2009. Hearing at a time and place to be announced.
- Social:** Party after race at a waterfront location (see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org)).
- Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>/3, 2<sup>nd</sup>/5, 3<sup>rd</sup>/7+ starters, plus overall awards presented at the post-race party. Special trophies to overall winners are funded by large sponsor pledges to the hospices. The Hospice Cup, awarded to the skipper with the best overall performance in the three most recent Hospice Cup races qualifies the winner to compete in the 2010 Hospice Regattas National Championship.
- Other:** Proceeds from the race are donated to Hospice Cup, Inc. to benefit hospices in VA, MD and DC. For information about making a tax-deductible donation with guest privileges, or to learn about Hospice Cup, Inc. see the adjacent page or [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).
- For Hospice Class only, there will be a mandatory Skippers Meeting prior to race day at a time and location announced on the SSC website, [www.shearwatersc.org](http://www.shearwatersc.org). Large spectator boats will be around the racing area. Entries received by 21 August 2009 will be included in the Race Program given to spectators.

The Corinthians Annapolis Fleet will be assisting on the Hospice Class course.

# Hospice Cup XXVIII

## Race Announcement

**SHEARWATER SAILING CLUB  
STORM TRYSAIL CLUB CHESAPEAKE SECTION  
THE CORINTHIANS ANNAPOLIS FLEET**



Saturday 26 September 2009

**Hospice Cup**, a unique charity race, is a cooperative effort of Hospice Cup, Inc., Shearwater Sailing Club & Storm Trysail Club Chesapeake Station, and multiple hospices serving the Maryland, Washington, and Northern Virginia areas where most racers live and work. The participating hospices benefit from funds raised through sponsorships, sailing crews, Shore Party ticket sales, ad sales, and the live auction.

**The Race** counts for High Point, attracting many of the best sailors on the Bay and requiring of racers only that they submit an entry and pay the fee. Even non-sailors and cruising sailors can enjoy a great day on the water, on spectator boats or in the special Hospice Class, and at the festive post-race party.

**Racers can be Sponsors.** Sponsorship is not required of racers, but by giving or raising money for Hospice care, racers earn privileges such as passages on a spectator boat for their non-racing friends and Shore Party tickets for crew or other guests. The Hank Lawton Trophy for crew fundraising is presented to the crew that raises the most in sponsorships before race day, with prizes also for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

**Hospice Class** is a non-spinnaker class for sailboat owners who do not usually race but want to support Hospice care. More experienced racers are encouraged to participate in other classes. Skippers who have previously won trophies in this class are assigned additional handicaps of 6 sec/mile for each 1<sup>st</sup> place, 3 sec/mile for each 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 1 sec/mile for each 3<sup>rd</sup> place. To orient Hospice Class skippers, there is a mandatory Hospice Class meeting prior to race day.

**Social events** include the post-race Shore Party held at an elegant waterfront location, with music, auction, family-related activities, catered dinner & trophy presentations. Racers are honored guests at the party, and may purchase tickets in advance for a discount (more at the door), or may qualify to win tickets by participating in the sailor fundraising program. See party web site listed below for more info. Commemorative items such as t-shirts & hats are available by advance order and at the Shore Party.

**Sponsored trophies** are underwritten by multi-year pledges from corporate or individual sponsors. Last year's sponsored trophies included the Running Tide Trophy for best overall performance. Other awards were the Ralph A. Beeton Trophy for best USNA helmsmanship; the Sajak Family Foundation Trophy for best in cruising one-design; the Mathilda J. Long Trophy for most competitive 2<sup>nd</sup> place in cruising one-design; the Martin F. McCarthy Trophy for best in Hospice Class; the Lovelace-Sniegon Memorial for best Hospice Class boat with Caregiver crew; the Allan C. Westcott Award for the Caregivers who crew; the Hank Lawton Award for the crew raising the most money; and the Club Fundraising Award for the sailing club raising the most money as a group.

**The Hospice Cup** is the top honor awarded for best 3-year performance, it qualifies the winner to compete in the annual **Hospice Regattas National Championship** against representatives of the many other hospice regattas sailed nationwide, each event patterned on this original hospice regatta.

**Web Sites:** Shore Party & Donations - [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org); Racing - [www.shearwatersc.org](http://www.shearwatersc.org)