



NORTHERN YACHT CLUB CANADA DAY SAILPAST BLESSING OF THE FLEET



1. INSTRUCTIONS

It is believed that the tradition of a Sail Past began at the Royal Yacht Squadron at Cowes in England nearly 200 years ago. The actual "review of the fleet" is steeped in more than 600 years of Royal Navy tradition and history and was introduced in yacht clubs as a continuation of the naval habit of having Admirals or Royalty review the fleet on special occasions. In our case, we will not have a salute, but showcase to the public.

2. SCHEDULE - Wednesday, July 1st 2015

1000 Depart NYC, Commodore NYC to start procession of yachts and proceed following the arrows indicated in *Addendum A* and loiter in the vicinity of "Rollies Wharf" for the blessing of the fleet.
1030 Blessing of the Fleet by Rev Ritchie Robinson.
1033 Return following the arrows.
1200 BBQ hosted by NYC Jr. Sailing program and cake provided by NYC.

3. PARTICIPANTS

All yachts are welcome to participate.

4. DRESS SHIP

Skippers are encouraged to "dress" their yacht for this occasion.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

Sail Past communications will be done on channel 68.

6. ASSEMBLY

- 6.1 Yachts will depart NYC and assemble at Rollies Wharf via the described route in Addendum A. "Outrageous" (Commodore) will be the first yacht, followed by "Turbo" (Past Commodore). All other Yachts in a seamanlike manner find a position behind another boat, 50 foot separation between yachts.
- 6.2 The blessing of the fleet will start at 1030.
- 6.3 A Marine Atlantic Vessel has a scheduled departure time of 1145.

7. EXECUTION

- 7.1 Skippers are reminded that this is not a race, but a yachting manoeuvre. Skippers will have to regulate the speed of their yachts by controlling their engines to keep the 50 foot distance between yachts. Once you are in line, endeavour to keep your position, as other yachts will be following you.
- 7.2 The procession will travel towards Indian Beach, and loiter near Rollies Wharf till after the Blessing of the Fleet. After the blessing, feel free to honk your horns, wave your arms or any other method of celebrating you may have thought of. The procession along the North Side will then commence, and you will head back towards NYC at your own leisure and are more than welcome to come to NYC for the BBQ.

8. FLAG ETIQUETTE

8.1 Canadian Flag Positions

Sail.....Stern staff or at the peak of a gaff rigged main or 2/3 up the back of a Marconi rigged main or 2/3 up the back stay

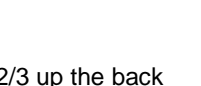
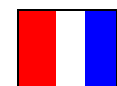
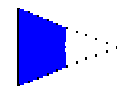
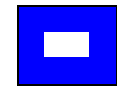
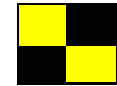
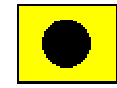
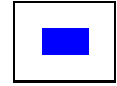
Power.....Stern staff

8.2 Club Burgee Positions

Sail.....At the mast head or from below the starboard spreader

Power.....Bow Staff

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Addendum A

