



The 2025 SPSC **Sail for Hospice**
Sunday September 14th, 2025
Notice Of Race

38th Annual



Sail for Hospice is an annual event at South Port that raises awareness of our local Hospice. Do plan to come out and enjoy the casual racing --- finishing ahead of your competitors is only of secondary importance. And please do take this opportunity to raise donations using the pledge form.

\$50.00 Entry Fee —Collect donations or donate on behalf of your boat. Entry fee will be waived for boats with donations over \$50.

Schedule – Sunday Sept 14th.

- 9:00 to 12:00 - Registration, Donation collection & purchase of 50/50 tickets
- 13:00 - Skippers' meeting & distribution of start times
- 14:00 - Race start time
- Immediately following the race - Presentation of Flags, including **the Dove Flag for the boat raising the most money for Hospice** & the 50/50 draw.
- After the awards – “Just Jeff’s” pasta will be available for purchase. Please bring your own beverages & side dishes/salads/dessert to share.

This is a fun “**Pursuit Race**”. In this format, boats receive staggered start times based on their PHRF ratings, i.e. the slower boats start first, followed by faster and faster boats, with the “scratch” boat starting last.

No racing experience is needed, and we encourage everyone to come out.

The fleet will sail in two classes. PHRF-JOG, and PHRF-Spinnaker. Skippers can register in either.

Sailing instructions and start times will be provided at the skippers' meeting.

Note that for everyone’s safety, the event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, and the SPSC Members Code of Conduct and Safe Sport Policy apply — see the SPSC By-Laws Handbook.

All boats must carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16 and 69. Any courtesy broadcasts will be made to competitors on Channel 69.

Overnight dockage for non-SPSC boats will be assigned by SPSC Harbourmaster as requested and pending availability.

Flags will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in both classes, and the “Dove flag”.

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid 3rd party Liability insurance, with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

As per RRS 3, ‘the responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone’. Each competitor must agree that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks, including strong winds and unexpected changes in weather, boat failures, injury, and possible death due to drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. Further, in an effort to adhere to the highest standards of competitive behaviour, and in keeping with new guidelines published by Ontario Sailing Association, no bullying, physically or verbally aggressive, or disrespectful behaviour will be tolerated from any skipper or crew from any boat participating in the Regatta, regardless of if they are SPSC members or not.

