



Poco Loco Bay Race



**Saturday
September 29th, 2007**

Dear Friend-



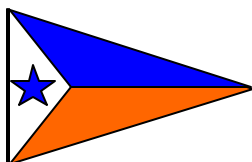
This letter is written on behalf of our cherished and wonderful friend Richard O'Connell, who passed away on March 3, 2001 at age 45, from complications of juvenile diabetes. He had contended with this debilitating disease since the age of five. A fundraiser is being held at the Richmond County Yacht Club in honor of his memory. The proceeds of this event will be donated in his memory to the Staten Island Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Our hope is that concerned people in our community will feel that a contribution is important for the continuing research and eventual cure for this disease that impairs and invades the quality of life of people who are afflicted with this illness.

The New York Bay Race was Richie's favorite race at RCYC. We have changed the name of this Race to the Poco Loco Bay Race in honor of Richie O'Connell. The Poco Loco Bay Race will be held on Saturday September 29th, 2007. We will be joining local sailors as we hoist our sails in the Raritan Bay for a great cause.

Richie was loved by many and was a unique person with many talents. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Pratt Institute. He was an excellent sailor who always had time to teach another who wanted to learn. Perhaps his greatest gifts were his spirit for life and his sense of humor. Above all, he never allowed his disease to become an obstacle for living life abundantly. He always found a way to look forward, and taught us all perspective.

Please join us in supporting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation so we can help others with a similar spirit. Thank you.

Very Truly Yours,
The Poco Loco Bay Race Committee



Hosted By: Richmond County Yacht Club

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Notice of Race

Rules: The Regatta will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing and the Poco Loco Bay Race Sailing Instructions.

Eligibility and Entry: The Entry Fee is \$70. The Regatta is opened to all PHRF-MA members for the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions and NEMA members for the Multihull Division. Please send a copy of your PHRF-MA or NEMA rating certificate with your entry form. Pre-Registration is open from June 1, 2007 to September 26th, 2006 and can be mailed to William Scalisi, 142 Kingdom Ave, Staten Island, NY, 10312. If you cannot register the morning of the regatta before the Skippers Meeting at Richmond County Yacht Club, you MUST Pre-Register. Entrants in the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions will qualify for the New Jersey Ocean Racing Conference (NJORC) Series.

Sailing Instruction: The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration the morning of the regatta at Richmond County Yacht Club and will be sent to anyone that pre-registers.

Classes: There will be a Spinnaker Division (A), a Non-Spinnaker Division (B), and a Multihull Division (M). Sub-Divisions will be created based on the number of applicants in the divisions.

Schedule of Races:

SATURDAY	September 29th, 2007
Registration	0900
Skippers Meeting	1000
Harbor Start	1100
First Gun	1200
Post Race Party	1800 or immediately following the race

Course:

Division A (Spinnaker Division) and Division M (Multihull Division):

		Lat	Lon
Start:	Vicinity of Old Orchard Lighthouse	40° 30' 44" N	74° 05' 55" W
First Mark:	West Bank Lighthouse (To Port)	40° 32' 16" N	74° 02' 34" W
Second Mark:	R"2"QR (To Port)	40° 37' 20" N	74° 02' 48" W
Third Mark:	West Bank Lighthouse (To Starboard)	40° 32' 16" N	74° 02' 34" W
Finish:	Vicinity of Old Orchard Lighthouse	40° 30' 44" N	74° 05' 55" W
Approximate Length:	16.04 nm		

Division B (Working Sails Only):

		Lat	Lon
Start:	Vicinity of Old Orchard Lighthouse	40° 30' 44" N	74° 05' 55" W
First Mark:	West Bank Lighthouse (To Port)	40° 32' 16" N	74° 02' 34" W
Second Mark:	RB"10" Norton Point (To Port)	40° 34' 13" N	74° 00' 43" W
Third Mark:	G "19" Ambrose Channel (to Port)	40° 33' 57" N	74° 04' 05" W
Fourth Mark:	West Bank Lighthouse (To Starboard)	40° 32' 16" N	74° 02' 34" W
Finish:	Vicinity of Old Orchard Lighthouse	40° 30' 44" N	74° 05' 55" W
Approximate Length:	11.12 nm		

Scoring: The Low Point Scoring system of Appendix A of the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing will apply. Overall Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third Places in each sub-division.

Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

Insurance: Each participating boat shall be insured with third-party liability insurance.

Organizing Authority: The Organizing Authority will be Richmond County Yacht Club. RCYC Contact - William Scalisi, 142 Kingdom Avenue, Staten Island, New York, 10312, wscalisi@si.rr.com.

Party to Follow the Race including the following:

- Awards
- Food
- Beer, Wine and Soda
- 50/50 Raffle with Additional Prizes
- Free Unlimited Dancing
- Music Entertainment

Party Only Cost \$15 Per Head. Entrance Fee includes 4 Party Tickets.



Notes:

Make Registration Checks payable to RCYC.

Additional Tax Deductible Contributions to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation are cheerfully accepted.

Please make out a **Separate Check** payable directly to JDRF for donations. (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation)

For more information about the foundation, please visit: <http://www.jdrf.org>

