

2017 IDA LEWIS DISTANCE RACE: NEWS



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NEWPORT, R.I. – Its never too early to start planning for this year's Ida Lewis Distance Race, scheduled to start on Friday, August 18. It's a late-summer sailing tradition loved by grand prix races and cruising sailors alike and open to IRC, PHRF, One Design, Multihull and Double-Handed boats of 28 feet or longer. Some say it's the perfect overnight distance - between 104 and 177 nm depending on what the Race Committee things best suits the conditions - and gives old salts a challenge while offering newcomers a cool introduction to offshore racing. And there are plenty of trophies to be won, including best youth and collegiate team entries!

The 13th edition of the Ida Lewis Distance Race starts and finishes off Newport's historic Ida Lewis Yacht Club, which sits famously a rock in Newport Harbor, and includes turning marks at Castle Hill, Brenton Reef, Block Island, Montauk Point, Martha's Vineyard and Buzzards Tower. It is a qualifier for the New England Lighthouse Series (PHRF); the Northern and Double-Handed Ocean Racing Trophies (IRC); and the Rhode Island Offshore Challenge.

For more information on the Ida Lewis Distance Race, contact the EVENT CHAIR: Patrick Kennedy, racechairman@ildistancerace.org.