



To: J109 Owners

From: Rick Lyall

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The purpose of this letter is to remind you of three terrific events that will take place in Long Island Sound this fall. The first is **The Storm Trysail & Riverside Yacht Club Long Island Sound Championship** regatta in Greenwich, CT on **September 13-14, 2014**. This regatta used to be billed as the Long Island Sound IRC Championship and PHRF Classic. However, this year in addition to IRC and PHRF fleets, the J109 and J105 Classes have designated the regatta their Long Island Sound Championships and the J70s have put the even on their schedule too. Storm Trysail Club is known for excellent regatta management and Riverside YC is known for first class shore side festivities so this is a fun event. Docking is free during the regatta but make your reservations early. It would be great if the J109 Fleet had a strong showing. The regatta organizers are currently discussing how many circles to run. It would be helpful to them if you all sign up early. Here is a link to register on Yachtscore. Given that this is the first event I need to focus on I would appreciate a “yay” or “nay” as to your plans to attend (or not) at your convenience.



[2014 Long Island Sound Championship](#)

Riverside CT, USA

September 13-14, 2014

The second event is **American Yacht Club's Fall Series Regatta** in Rye, New York. AYC Fall Series will be the venue of the **2014 J109 East Coast Championship**. This is a two weekend event taking place on **September 27-28 and October 4-5<sup>th</sup>**. Moorings are free to regatta participants but are allocated on a first come, first served basis. American Yacht Club is located on Milton Point and offers an elegant club house and spectacular views of Long Island Sound. I just checked Yachtscore and don't see a link for registration yet. I have emailed them and American Yacht Club to see if they can post it ASAP.

The third is the **Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta** presented by Storm Trysail Foundation and Larchmont Yacht Club. This event takes place on Columbus Day Weekend, October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The IOR is the largest collegiate regatta sailed in offshore yachts in North America. Last year we had ~450 college sailors sailing in a fleet of 54 borrowed yachts that included **15 J109s**, 11 J105s, 5 J44s, and two handicap divisions. The regatta is absolutely free for the sailors and owners and includes moorings at Larchmont

YC. I have attached the press release from last year's event for your review. This is a great way to give back to the sport and help support the next generation of offshore sailors. Please let me know if you are interested in participating. I can be reached at 212-389-5878 or by email at [REL@jwbristol.com](mailto:REL@jwbristol.com). There will be a link for this event on Yachtscoring but it isn't live yet. I expect it will be posted shortly.

Thanks very much!

Good luck for the balance of the season.

Best regards,

Rick