

Single-Handed Long-Distance Race July 15, 2023

Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE (Amended July 3, 2023)

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. Harvey Kilpatrick established this annual classic MPYC race in 1966. He and Pat Patterson (then Rear Commodore) designed the unspeakable trophy, which was always discreetly covered by a black cloth. Unfortunately, the original trophy was tucked under a table and left behind at a Commodore's Ball, never to be seen again. Thanks to Allan Patterson for replacing the trophy by having a new one cast.
- 1.2. This a handicapped long-distance race requires competitors to start in the vicinity of Mile Buoy, round MBARI "A" and Santa Cruz Mile Buoys to starboard and finish at MPYC-X buoy. The race is 42 nautical miles in length forming a large equilateral triangle in southeast Monterey Bay.

2. RULES

2.1. The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Registration for the race shall be made online, using the 2023 MPYC Regatta Network portal, and should be submitted by 1200 hours on July 14, 2023.
- 3.2. All boats should have submitted a 2023 PHRF certificate issued by the Monterey Bay PHRF Committee as well as signed MPYC liability waivers as part of the registration packet. Boats with PHRF Certificates issued by the YRA San Francisco Bay will be eligible provided the ratings are like those issued by the Monterey Bay PHRF Committee. The MPYC Race Chair will adjust rating if necessary.
- 3.3. For Santana 22's a standardized PHRF rating of 240 would apply provided these entries meet their One Design Class Requirements. Boats with modifications or sails not meeting the Santana One Design Requirement will require a PHRF certificate.
- 3.4. For boats without a PHRF certificates or ratings, the MPYC Race Chair will rule on an assigned rating before race time.
- 3.5. All boats shall have only person onboard.
- 3.6. All skippers should submit an MPYC liability waiver form as part of their registration. MPYC skippers who submitted these waiver forms as part of their 2023 MPYC Race Registration Packet need not submit a second liability waiver.
- 3.7. **FEES**
- 3.8. Entry fees for MPYC boats registered for MPYC Specialty races are waived.
- 3.9. The entry fee for boats not registered for these races, or for non-MPYC boats, will be \$35. The entry fee should be paid through the Race registration portal.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1. The race will start at 1100 hours on Saturday July 15, 2023 with the first warning signal at 1055 hours. A mandatory skippers and crew meeting will be scheduled for 900 hours on July 16 at the MPYC Club house. Details will be provided to all registered skippers.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1. The 2023 Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club Sailing Instructions will apply.
- 5.2. Additional sailing instruction may be issued at the skippers meeting.

6. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. Boats shall be equipped in accordance with Federal Equipment Requirements for Recreational Vessels.
- 6.2. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible.
- 6.3. Boats shall monitor both VHF channels 68 and 16 while racing.
- 6.4. All participants shall wear a PFD while racing.
- 6.5. California State law and boating regulations boats shall stay at least 200 feet clear from a dive boat displaying the Divers, and or Alpha flags, and shall not approach within 100 yards of any U. S. Naval vessel or cruise ship. Boats should also exercise precaution in proximity of bathers, kayakers, and protected marine life.
- 6.6. All boats shall carry a cellular phone with batteries fully charged.
- 6.7. All boats must comply with the 2023 Monterey Bay Yacht Racing Association Safety Equipment Requirements.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Racing will occur in Monterey Bay.
- 7.2. The starting area will be in the vicinity of Monterey Mile buoy on a line between the buoy and the race committee boat.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The 42 nautical mile course will start between MPYC "Mile" buoy and an orange flag flying from a race committee boat, passing both MBARI "A" and Santa Cruz Mile (A) to starboard, and finishing between MPYC "X" buoy and the flagpole on the roof of the MPYC club house.
- 8.2. Finishing boats should take their own time and report their arrival and finish time to the race committee using either a VHF radio (Channel 68) or a cellular phone. Failure to check in with the race committee at the time of finish, or soon thereafter may lead to disqualification from the race.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. Scoring will be in accordance with the 2023 MPYC Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2. For PHRF A and PHRF B fleets to be scored separately a minimum of three boats in each fleet should have properly checked in with the race committee. In case of fewer boats in any of the fleets, all boats will be scored together.

10. PRIZES

10.1. The names of the winning boats in each fleet will be engraved on the perpetual trophy. Prizes will be awarded to the first boat in each division. Should all boats be scored together and provided there are no fewer than 5 competing boats, prizes may also be awarded to the second and third place finishers.

11. DISCLAIMER AND LIABILITY

- 11.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own. 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.
- 11.2. All skippers shall submit to the MPYC Race Chair the MPYC liability waiver form.