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SAUSALITO YACHT CLUB

2024 Rear Commodore's Race

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

June 22nd, 2024

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021 – 2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the US Sailing Prescriptions, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

2. SAFETY

All participants are reminded of RRS Rule 3 (Decision to Race). Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel, which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, (see US Dept. of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessel with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified by sail number who endanger their own safety or that of the commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by the Race Committee (RC) or a contestant and face possible disqualification. A protest for allegations of the above will be heard by a protest committee whether or not the requirements of RRS Rule 61.1 (a) & (b) have been fulfilled or exclusions referenced in RRS 60.2(a) have been met. A DSQ for a safety violation shall be considered as disqualification not excludable (DNE).

a) Propulsion: To comply with this section and to avoid impeding such a vessel, a competitor may utilize auxiliary power without being obligated to retire (in accordance with RRS 42.3(h)) for only as long as required to clear a channel expeditiously. In so doing, she shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. She shall then be subjected to a scoring penalty of 2 places worse than she would have received, however she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish.

b) Personal safety is the responsibility of each individual while racing. While wearing a personal flotation device (PFD) is not a requirement of this race, it is encouraged. The Race Committee may fly the Y Flag which indicates a PFD is required to be worn by all racers.

3. CLASSES

There will be two classes or divisions – Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors or changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official event website at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28261>. Notices shall not be posted later than 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect, including a last update for Appendix A.

5. STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The start line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark in the Knox area of San Francisco Bay. Boats shall keep clear of the start line until their start time shown in Appendix A.

The finish line will be off the SYC deck, between an orange flag on the SYC clubhouse mast and an inflatable mark to the northeast of the club.

6. CHECK-IN & RETIRE

All boats are considered checked in by sailing through the start line when starting. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

7. SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAG

1200 hours Warning signal – All boats. Local GPS time shall be used.

To allow for postponement, alternate warning times at half-hour intervals are scheduled as detailed in the next section.

“J” is the class flag for both spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats. The J flag will remain displayed for the entire starting sequence. This changes RRS 26.

Races abandoned may be rescheduled utilizing a notice to competitors.

8. STARTING SEQUENCES AND TIMES

This is a Pursuit Race. The high handicap boats start first with lower handicap boats to follow “in pursuit.” The handicaps are applied in a “Time on Distance” method in order to calculate the start times.

The tables of calculated start times for each boat are listed in Appendix A, with one table listed for each potential course. Each row in a table shows four potential start times for every boat depending on the starting schedule being used. The starting schedule in use for the race is indicated by a numerical placard displayed on the signal boat as follows:

Warning Time	Schedule & Placard Number
12:00 pm	1
12:30 pm	2
1:00 pm	3
1:30 pm	4.

To determine its start time, a boat shall reference the table corresponding to the course displayed by the signal boat and shall then use the column in that table corresponding to the schedule displayed by the signal boat..

Boats starting prematurely will be penalized by adding 5 minutes to their finish time for each minute or partial minute they are over early. No recalls will be signaled; this changes RRS 29..

9. COURSE and MARKS

The chosen course will be displayed using a numerical pennant on the signal boat prior to the first warning.

Course 1	Start – 12 P – 16 P – 8 P – 12 S – Finish	10.9 nm
Course 2	Start – 12P – YBI P – Finish	12.8 nm
Course 3	Start – 12P – 16 P – 18 P – 8 P – 12 S – Finish	11.6 nm

Mark Descriptions:

8	YRA 8. R “4” FI R 2.5 sec 1.0 nm E of Pt. Blunt, Angel Island
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12	YRA 12. G "1" FL G 4 sec NW Harding Rock, "Little Harding"
16	YRA 16. Yellow Column "C" 0.2 nm east of Fort Point "Blackaller"
18	YRA 18. GR "BR" FI (2+1) G 6s Bell "Blossom Rock" 0.9 nm E SE of Alcatraz Island
YBI	Yerba Buena Island

(**P** means leave the mark to Port. **S** means leave the mark to Starboard)

10. RESTRICTED AREAS

For the purpose of RRS 18, 19, 28, the following objects shall be left to shoreward: Anita Rock and any buoy marking same, vertical 'H' beam off Water Quality Control Plant west of StFYC, bell buoy 7 off the west end of Alcatraz, and Point Blunt buoy off Angel Island. Above obstructions are not marks of the course. The South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge must be left to the South at all times. Any rocks visible at Mean Lower Low water immediately adjacent to Contra Costa County, Marin County or San Francisco shorelines shall be left to shoreward, except for Mile Rock, The Brothers and Red Rock. Charted restricted areas must be observed.

11. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the race will be 1600 hours for all boats to finish. Boats finishing after this time will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS 35.

12. PROTESTS

Written protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee by 1630. The protests received will be posted on the official event website. Hearings will be held as soon as possible.

13. SCORING

The first boat to finish in each division wins. The second to finish is second, and so on. Corrections will be made for OCS with no restart.

14. COMMUNICATIONS

RRS 25 & 60.1(b) are modified to allow for on-the-water radio communications between the Race Committee (R/C) and racing boats on VHF channel 71. The R/C may hail boats that are OCS. The inability of a competitor to hear a hail for OCS or any other information shall not relieve her of her responsibility, nor shall it be grounds for redress. RRS 90.2(c) is amended to allow oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water. In the event the R/C needs to communicate oral changes, they shall raise the "L" flag and attempt to hail competitors on the radio.

15. AWARDS, TROPHIES

Prizes, including the Frank Mora perpetual trophy, will be awarded at SYC after the race, based on the number of participants in each division.

Appendix A Course 1 Start Times

Sail#	Boat Name	Class/Fleet	PHRF	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4
<i>Warning Time:</i>				<i>12:00:00</i>	<i>12:30:00</i>	<i>13:00:00</i>	<i>13:30:00</i>
None	End Game	Non-Spinnaker	234	12:05:00	12:35:00	13:05:00	13:35:00
1220	La Mer	Non-Spinnaker	181	12:14:38	12:44:38	13:14:38	13:44:38
38984	Sea B	Non-Spinnaker	159	12:18:38	12:48:38	13:18:38	13:48:38
2168	Andiamo	Non-Spinnaker	153	12:19:43	12:49:43	13:19:43	13:49:43
28890	NANCY	Spinnaker	123	12:25:10	12:55:10	13:25:10	13:55:10
42	Leilani	Non-Spinnaker	123	12:25:10	12:55:10	13:25:10	13:55:10
168	Lanakila	Spinnaker	87	12:31:43	13:01:43	13:31:43	14:01:43
128	Northern Bear	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:32:15	13:02:15	13:32:15	14:02:15
8573	National Biscuit	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:32:15	13:02:15	13:32:15	14:02:15
195	Lindo	Non-Spinnaker	72	12:34:26	13:04:26	13:34:26	14:04:26

Appendix A Course 2 Start Times

Sail#	Boat Name	Class/Fleet	PHRF	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4
<i>Warning Time:</i>				<i>12:00:00</i>	<i>12:30:00</i>	<i>13:00:00</i>	<i>13:30:00</i>
None	End Game	Non-Spinnaker	234	12:05:00	12:35:00	13:05:00	13:35:00
1220	La Mer	Non-Spinnaker	181	12:16:18	12:46:18	13:16:18	13:46:18
38984	Sea B	Non-Spinnaker	159	12:21:00	12:51:00	13:21:00	13:51:00
2168	Andiamo	Non-Spinnaker	153	12:22:17	12:52:17	13:22:17	13:52:17
28890	NANCY	Spinnaker	123	12:28:41	12:58:41	13:28:41	13:58:41
42	Leilani	Non-Spinnaker	123	12:28:41	12:58:41	13:28:41	13:58:41
168	Lanakila	Spinnaker	87	12:36:21	13:06:21	13:36:21	14:06:21
128	Northern Bear	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:37:00	13:07:00	13:37:00	14:07:00
8573	National Biscuit	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:37:00	13:07:00	13:37:00	14:07:00
195	Lindo	Non-Spinnaker	72	12:39:33	13:09:33	13:39:33	14:09:33

Appendix A Course 3 Start Times

Sail#	Boat Name	Class/Fleet	PHRF	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4
<i>Warning Time:</i>				<i>12:00:00</i>	<i>12:30:00</i>	<i>13:00:00</i>	<i>13:30:00</i>
None	End Game	Non-Spinnaker	234	12:05:00	12:35:00	13:05:00	13:35:00
1220	La Mer	Non-Spinnaker	181	12:15:14	12:45:14	13:15:14	13:45:14
38984	Sea B	Non-Spinnaker	159	12:19:30	12:49:30	13:19:30	13:49:30
2168	Andiamo	Non-Spinnaker	153	12:20:39	12:50:39	13:20:39	13:50:39
28890	NANCY	Spinnaker	123	12:26:27	12:56:27	13:26:27	13:56:27
42	Leilani	Non-Spinnaker	123	12:26:27	12:56:27	13:26:27	13:56:27
168	Lanakila	Spinnaker	87	12:33:25	13:03:25	13:33:25	14:03:25
128	Northern Bear	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:34:00	13:04:00	13:34:00	14:04:00
8573	National Biscuit	Non-Spinnaker	84	12:34:00	13:04:00	13:34:00	14:04:00
195	Lindo	Non-Spinnaker	72	12:36:19	13:06:19	13:36:19	14:06:19