

NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Anacortes Yacht Club proudly presents the
Girts Rekevics Memorial Foul Weather Race

Saturday, February 22, 2025

The Girts Rekevics Memorial Foulweather Race is open to all yachts that have completed the registration process using the Anacortes Yacht Club online registration system available on the club website and Regatta Network, and have a valid current PHRF certificate, and who are members in good standing of their home yacht club. Cruisers are invited to join racers sailing to Friday Harbor, and all members are invited to the post race party at the San Juan Island Yacht Club ("SJIYC") that evening.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, February 21, 5:30 PM Anacortes Yacht Club will be open to competitors and yacht club membership, with an open bar and light snacks. Race information, class breaks and swag will be available. The Race Organizer will be available for questions.

Saturday, February 22, 9:30 AM Race Start at the R2 mark near the refinery dock in Fidalgo Bay

Saturday, February 22, soon after docking: San Juan Island Yacht Club will be open to competitors. Dinner and Awards and fun times to follow.

EVENT FEES: The entry fee is \$60.00 per racing boat. Race Registration must be completed by Friday night at 6:00. Friday night snacks and one Saturday night Awards Dinner are included in the registration fee.

AWARDS DINNER: The San Juan Island Yacht Club is located at the top of the main pier at Friday Harbor and will be welcoming event participants to an open bar and lasagna dinner on Saturday night shortly after boats arrive at the dock. Tickets for the dinner will be available with race registration and at the door of the SJIYC. There will be race awards and other fun planned for that evening.

MOORAGE IN FRIDAY HARBOR: Moorage is available at the Port of Friday Harbor. Advanced reservations are typically not required at this time of year, but you can call them in advance at (360) 378-2688.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For additional information about the event please contact Foulweather Race Chair – Stephanie Campbell (360) 770-9460

1) RACING RULES: This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as modified by these sailing instructions.

RRS 52, Manual Power, is amended to include: Boats entered in the Shorthanded division are allowed to use autopilot mechanisms for sail changes and other situations where having one crew member assigned to steering may compromise the safety of the crew or craft.

2) COMMUNICATIONS: All race communications will be made using VHF channel 72. Skippers shall monitor VHF channel 16 for vessel traffic information and relevant notice to mariners.

3) START: All boats shall start together at 9:30 am in Fidalgo Bay. The start line will be between the R2 mark and the center stripe of the Range Marker on the refinery dock located East of R2. The designated RC will display a flag to identify itself and will be on station to observe the start maintaining a position in line with the R2 & Refinery Range marker, but it will NOT be a part of the starting line. As a courtesy to racers, race information will be communicated via VHF channel 72.

FINISH: The finish line will be located at the red Reid Rock "DR" mark in the vicinity of Friday Harbor, WA. Boats shall pass to the north within 3 BOAT LENGTHS of DR. Skippers shall record their finish time using GPS time when DR is bearing 180 degrees and report it to the race committee within one (1) hour of completing the course. It is strongly recommended that boats record their finish using a time stamp of a GPS image. There may be a finish boat on station, but it will not be required or expected.

Text your finish: boat name and finish time to Frank Parker
(757)718- 9781 to be scored.

4) COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC: This event transits through commercial shipping lanes with constricted waters. Skippers shall ensure their vessel gives the right-of-way to commercial vessels and does not impede commercial traffic.

5) PRE-RACE CHECK-IN: boats are encouraged to check-in with the Race Committee between 9:00 am and 09:25 am on Channel 72 (not required).

6) RACE DETAILS:

Course: you may choose **any navigable course** between Fidalgo Bay and the finish at Reid Rock in the vicinity of Friday Harbor, WA.

The race will be scored using time-on-distance with a specified distance of 18.5nm.
Time Limit: 17:30 hours (5:30PM). 8 hours elapsed time.

7) DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, as per RRS 3 Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Please contact Race Organizer Stephanie Campbell at
(360) 770-9460 with any questions or concerns.

Text your finish: boat name and finish time to Frank Parker
(757) 718- 9781 as soon as you are able.