Seventy Fourth Annual Windjammers Race San Francisco to Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz Yacht Club Friday, September 2, 2016 NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Organizing Authority for this event is the Santa Cruz Yacht Club (SCYC), St Francis Yacht Club (StFYC) is serving as co-host.
- 1.2. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). From the hours of Sunset to Sunrise, the rules of Part 2 are replaced by the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS, COLREG 72) or the Inland Navigation Rules (33 CFR 83). The rules of the *Northern California PHRF Rules & Guidelines* will apply, available here: http://www.yra.org/PHRF/docs/ncphrf rules and guidelines.pdf
- 1.3. All boats must comply with the Northern California Offshore Racing Council Minimum Equipment Requirements for Offshore Racing ver 2016.0. (The OYRA MER may be found here: <u>http://norcalorc.org/gear</u>)
- 1.4. Racing rule 40 will be modified to require competitors to wear personal flotation devices meeting the requirements of section 3.1.1 while racing, except when below deck or briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5. RRS 52 will be modified to allow the use of autopilots for the double-handed division.
- **1.6.** Rule 55 will be changed in the sailing instructions by adding the following sentence to the rule: 'however, discarding biodegradable sail stops when setting a sail will not be considered a breach of rule 55."

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. There will be Double handed, PHRF and cruising divisions. One design, and special divisions may be accommodated if five (5) or more such yachts are entered by August 26, 2016. Contact Bret Gripenstraw (gripbig@aol.com) to discuss your intention to organize or participate in such a group.
- 2.2. The regatta is open to all boats with valid 2016 Northern California PHRF (NCPHRF) certificates. Boats must have a current Northern California PHRF rating on file with San Francisco YRA (yra.org). Standard PHRF ratings will be used.
- 2.3. The entry fee will be \$100.00. Entries will not be accepted after 1800 hours Wednesday August 31, 2016. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form found at: <u>http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/11205</u>.
- 2.4. Boats will only be allowed to race if electronic registration is completed on line at Regatta Network (link above), including all crew information, prior to 1800 hours September 1, 2016.
- 2.5. The Race Committee will assign boats to handicap divisions based on their standard Northern California PHRF ratings, boat type and/or ORR rating.

3. CRUISING DIVISION

3.1. Windjammers Division B (the Cruising Division) entries are permitted a motor time allowance equivalent to twenty (20) nautical miles based on a derived boat speed of 1.3 x (square root of waterline length). The Race Committee reserves the absolute and final right to reject an entry in the B Division to ensure that the spirit of the division is preserved.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Changes to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will be posted on line at Regatta Network (link above) no later than 1800 hours September 1, 2016.
- 4.2. Friday September 2, 2016, 0830-0925 Mandatory VHF 69 Check In
- 4.3. Friday September 2, 2016, 0930 First Warning Signal displayed from the StFYC Race Deck in San Francisco.
- 4.4. Trophy presentation: SCYC 1530 hours Saturday, September 3, 2016.

5. Course

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5.1. From the starting line off the StFYC Race Deck, yachts shall sail via any route (subject to restricted areas defined in the Sailing Instructions) to the finish line off the Municipal Wharf in Santa Cruz.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS----

6.1. Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be published and may be found on line at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/11205 no later than Monday August 29, 2016. Final division assignments will be available not later than 1800 September 1, 2016.

7. BERTHING and SMALL BOAT HOISTS

- 7.1. The StFYC will co-host the event. All yachts competing in the event may be moored free of charge at the StFYC guest docks in San Francisco for one night prior to the beginning of racing. All trailers should be stored at the direction of the StFYC Dock master. If you plan to leave a trailer or automobile in the City parking lot, please contact the Harbormaster's Office 415.292.2013 for an overnight parking permit. All trailers and automobiles without a City permit may be towed.
- 7.2. SCYC will provide one end tie in the Santa Cruz Harbor for berthing at no charge for Friday evening. These will be available on a first come first served basis. Boats should be expect to be rafted up and should be prepared accordingly. Alternative berthing must be arranged individually with the Santa Cruz Harbormaster's Office (831.475.6161).
- 7.3. The StFYC and SCYC small boat hoists are available for use by competitors. Please check with the respective club to ensure that their hoist is suitable for launching or hauling of your boat.

8. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1. The race committee may broadcast information about the day's racing on VHF 69. All boats will be required to check in prior to the start and prior to finishing. At check in the race committee will be asking for the total number of people on board. If there has been <u>any</u> change from the on line registration the Boat will be asked to switch to VHF 78 to provide new information to the Race Committee.
- 8.2. A boat's check in is not complete until confirmation is received from the race committee identifying that boat as having been successfully checked in. Boats failing to check in with the race committee on VHF 69 will be scored DNC.

9. SCORING and PRIZES

- 9.1. The Cruising Division (Division B) will be scored using standard PHRF Time-on-Distance. The other divisions will be scored using standard PHRF Time-on-Time.
- 9.2. See http://offshore.ussailing.org/PHRF/Time-On-Time_Scoring.htm for a discussion of time-on-time scoring calculations. The race committee will use 650 as a numerator and will determine, at its sole discretion, the denominator (B factor) based on race-day conditions.
- 9.3. Division trophies will be awarded based on the number of entries. The following Perpetual Trophies will be awarded:

The Windjammer Double Handed Trophy – (First double handed boat phrf corrected time) The Casa Del Rey Perpetual The Windjammers Santa Cruz Race Perpetual Trophy The Richard C. Vessey Memorial Perpetual Trophy The William H. Clausen Perpetual Trophy The Harold Martin Perpetual Trophy The Wes Beckett Perpetual Trophy The Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce Perpetual Trophy The Santa Cruz Bowl The Ultralight 40

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10. SOCIAL

10.1. The traditional *Clam Chowder Snack* will be available at the SCYC Club house after finishing until late on September 2nd and early on September 3rd if there are still competitors at sea.