2017 Commodore's Regatta April 29, 2017 Santa Cruz Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

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

The first sentence of rule 40 is changed so that competitors shall comply with the obligations of RRS 40 (wear a PFD) whether or not the Race Committee displays flag Y with one sound.

2. Signal Ashore and Notices to Competitors

Signals ashore will be made from the yardarm of the mast on the SCYC clubhouse deck.

Notices to competitors will be posted on the SCYC Official Notice Board, located in the window opposite the bar at the northeast corner of the SCYC clubhouse.

Changes to the Sailing Instructions, if any, will be posted not later than 1130 on the day they take effect.

3. Schedule of Races

Saturday April 29, 2017 1 Race First Warning 1255

4. Class Flag, Course Signal

The class flag will be flag F. A numeral pennant will be displayed to designate the course.

5. Marks

S	Yellow or Red sphere near RC boat		
Mitchell	Yellow sphere	36º 56.50' N	122º 01.88' W
Natural Bridges	Yellow sphere	36º 56.57' N	122º 03.68' W
Wharf	Yellow sphere	36º 56.87' N	122º 01.25' W
Mile	Red/White Whistle Buoy	36º 56.35' N	122º 00.56' W
1	Orange tetrahedron		
2	Yellow tetrahedron		

6. Courses, Starting and Finishing lines.

The starting line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag or a temporary mark and Mark S.

The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag and the mark listed in the course table as Fin. The distance listed is used for handicapping purposes.

Course		Rounding mark, (side), order		Dist
1	Start ->	Mitchell(p) -> Black Point(p) -> Mitchell(p) ->	S	8.09
2	Start ->	Natural Bridges(p) -> Mitchell(p) -> Natural Bridges(p) ->	Wharf	8.10
3	Start ->	Natural Bridges(p) -> Wharf(p) -> Natural Bridges(p) ->	Mile	9.69
4	Start ->	1(p) -> 2(p) -> 1(p) -> 2(p) -> 1(p) ->	S	6.00

8. Starting System

RRS 26 is deleted and replaced with:

Races will be started using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signal.

Minutes before start	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Means
5 (S22 only)	Class Flag	One	Warning Signal
4	None	One Long	Preparatory Signal
0	None	One	Starting Signal

Only one warning signal will be made. Start times for each boat type are listed in the table below. Boats that entered after noon of April 27 should check the notice board for an updated table of start times. The race committee may from time-to-time announce the time of day on VHF 69.

Boat Type	PHRF	Course 1	Course 2	Course 3	Course 4
S22	243	1:00:00	1:00:00	1:00:00	1:00:00
C&C 24	222	1:02:50	1:02:50	1:03:23	1:02:06
Cat30	180	1:08:30	1:08:30	1:10:10	1:06:18
Mo24	150	1:12:32	1:12:33	1:15:01	1:09:18
Cat36	144	1:13:21	1:13:22	1:15:59	1:09:54
J120	51	1:25:53	1:25:55	1:31:00	1:19:12
Syd38	33	1:28:19	1:28:21	1:33:55	1:21:00
Lee67	-75	1:42:53	1:42:56	1:51:21	1:31:48
SC70	-78	1:43:17	1:43:20	1:51:50	1:32:06

9. Hailing OCS Boats

The Race Committee may hail (on VHF 69) the sail number or other identifying feature of any boat that was on the course side of the starting line at her start signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear a hail, or the order of the hail(s) shall not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes rule 62.1.

10. Penalties

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

11. Boat Retiring; Check Out

A boat retiring before completing a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as reasonably possible by sailing past a Race Committee boat and hailing, or by hailing the Race Committee on VHF (Channel 69). A boat that breaks this instruction may be penalized less than points for a DSQ by the Protest Committee. This changes rule 64.1.

12. Scoring

The last sentence of RRS A3 is deleted.

13. Protests

Protest filing period expires one hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat returns to the dock. The Protest Filing time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

US SAILING protest forms are available at the clubhouse and may be filed with the on-duty club employee as well as the race office. This changes rule 61.3.

Hearing schedules and informing the parties to a hearing will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 90 minutes of the Race Committee Signal Boat's return to the dock.