



# Multihull Invitational

September 9-10, 2017



## NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority and Host: Richmond Yacht Club, Point Richmond, California

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by the one-design class rules for each participating class of boat, and by this Notice of Regatta, except as any of these are modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Competitors shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal flotation devices at all times while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. Note that Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.
- 1.3 To accommodate the conditions and water temperatures commonly encountered on San Francisco Bay, it is strongly recommended that competitors wear wet suits or dry suits while racing.
- 1.4 Only one set of sails per boat may be used during the regatta except for changes approved by the Protest Committee in the event of obvious sail damage.
- 1.5 The US SAILING prescription in rule 67, Damages, will apply.
- 1.6 Competitors are reminded that, under the preamble of Part 2 of the RRS, boats racing must comply with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) when they meet other marine traffic not racing.

## 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to multihull sailboats less than 22.5 ft. in length. Any one-design class with five or more entries will be provided with a one-design start. All other boats will be placed in one or more Portsmouth Division starts based on their Portsmouth Yardstick number listed by US SAILING in the "Table of North American Portsmouth Numbers" at: <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/portsmouth-yardstick>
- 2.2 Regarding boats sailing in the Portsmouth divisions. Any boat having modification(s), which require change(s) to the boat's Portsmouth Number, must provide a list of all such modification(s) and the required Portsmouth correction(s) to the Race Committee in writing prior to the start of the competitor's briefing.
- 2.3 Each boat must have completed an entry, and paid all event fees, including any late fee if applicable, before 2100 Pacific Daylight time on September 8, 2017. EACH COMPETITOR, both skipper and crew, must have signed a Waiver and Release of Liability, included in the online registration process, before 1000 Pacific Daylight time on September 9, 2017.
- 2.4 Eligible boats are to register online at <http://www.richmondyc.org> ALL REGISTRATION WILL BE ON-LINE
- 2.5 One competitor on each "Hobie" class boat must be a member of the Hobie Class Association of North America.

## 3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$125 for double-handed boats and \$95 for single-handed boats if received prior to 2100 hours on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.
- 3.2 The late entry fee (after 2100 hours on Tuesday, September 5, 2017) will be \$150 for double-handed boats and \$120 for single-handed boats.
- 3.3 The entry fee includes two Saturday night dinners for double-handed boats and one dinner for single-handed boats. Additional dinners may be purchased at a cost of \$20 each for persons 12+ years of age and youths under the age of 12 at a cost of \$10 each.
- 3.4 No entries will be accepted after 2300 Pacific Daylight Time on September 8, 2017. **No registration the morning of the event.**
- 3.5 Entry fees are non-refundable.

## 4 REGATTA SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The location of the competitors briefing will be upstairs in the general use area.
- 4.2 The Regatta schedule is as follows:
  - Saturday, September 9, 2017.
  - 1030 Welcome and Competitors' Briefing
  - 1200 Warning Signal for first race of the day
  
  - Sunday, September 10, 2017.
  - 1100 Warning Signal for first race of the day.

The second race on Sunday will be a distance race that will count as a single race in the overall scoring.
- 4.3 There will be an attempt to run multiple races each day. No race will be started after 1500 hours on Sunday.
- 4.4 Results will be announced and a trophy presentation will be held on Sunday, as soon as practical following the day's racing, with the intention to start this no later than 1700

## **5 MEASUREMENT**

5.1 Competitors are responsible for making sure their boat complies with the applicable Class Rules. Measuring of boats will occur only at the direction of the Organizing Authority or the Protest Committee.

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

6.1 Sailing instructions will be available at the event website at [www.richmondyc.org](http://www.richmondyc.org) by 1500 hours September 8, 2017 and posted on the official notice board outside the race management room.

## **7 RACING AREAS AND COURSES**

7.1 The racing will be in the area of Southampton Shoal, Keller Cove, or the north portion of the Berkeley Circle. Sunday's distance race will extend to the area around Red Rock

7.2 The initial choice of venue shall be posted on the Regatta Notice Board by 0930 each race day.

7.3 The Race Committee may change the venue on the water by using the prescribed procedure for doing so. Any venue selected will be approximately a twenty-five (25) to forty-five (45) minute sail from the launch area.

7.4 For all racing, courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **8 LAUNCH, MOORING & HAULOUT**

8.1 The fleet will be launched and hauled each day at RYC. There are two 9' wide ramps for beach wheel launching and two hoists for launching with a lifting sling. Please make sure you do not obstruct the loading dock area.

## **9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

9.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required

## **10 SCORING**

10.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

10.2 Multiple races are scheduled of which one (1) must be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 When three (3) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her highest excludable score. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

## **11 COMMUNICATIONS**

11.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11.2 All racers are encouraged to sail with hand-held VHF radios for safety purposes.

## 12 TRAILER STORAGE, PARKING, DOCKAGE

- 12.1 Trailers may be stored in the RYC parking lot west of the main parking lot. RV's may also be parked in this RYC parking lot west, at the direction of the Harbor-master. Please call 510-234-6959, or see the Harbor-master on arrival to arrange for trailer storage and/or RV parking.
- 12.2 Vehicle (other than RV) parking will be restricted during the regatta to the area in the main RYC lot in front of the Clubhouse (i.e., the north end of the parking lot).
- 12.3 Participants are invited to use RYC guest dock and dry storage facilities for the duration of the regatta. If you wish to extend your stay to the day before and/or the day after you must notify the Harbormaster

## 13 PRIZES, AWARDS, RECOGNITION

- 13.1 The number of prizes to be awarded will be based on the number of registered entries.
- 13.2 Other recognition and/or awards may be made at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## 14 SOCIAL EVENTS

- 14.1 Day & Date Time Event: Competitors are welcome to join in for all dinners. Sailing attire is welcome for all activities.

09/08/17	1730 – 2000	Club Dinner – The club has a regular dinner menu available.
09/09/17	1730 – 1800	Event Dinner included in entry fee.
	1800 – 2200	Caribbean-themed party with live Steel-drum band and Rum Punch specials at the no-host bar. Appropriate attire is encouraged.
09/10/17	1730 – 2000	Club Dinner: Same as Friday night

## 15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authorities will not accept any liability for property damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with the event, whether prior to, during, or after the regatta, and whether on or off the water.

## 16 INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance having minimum coverage of US \$100,000.00 per event or the equivalent.
- 16.2 Each boat shall have proof of insurance coverage and shall have it available upon request at the event.

## 17 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 17.1 For further information please contact:

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- 17.2 RICHMOND YACHT CLUB, 510 237-2821, FAX 510 237-8100, website: [www.richmondyc.org](http://www.richmondyc.org)

- 17.3 For information specific to the **Weta** class, please contact David Berntsen: [Dave@wetawest.com](mailto:Dave@wetawest.com)

- 17.4 For information specific to **F-18's**, please contact Charles Froeb: [gfroeb@me.com](mailto:gfroeb@me.com)