



BERKELEY YACHT CLUB

2017 EXPRESS 37 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

September 29th – October 1st

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: THE BERKELEY YACHT CLUB

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Express 37 class rules will apply.
- 1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 1.3 Appendix V1 (PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT) shall apply.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Express 37 class that are owned or chartered by a member or members of the Express 37 Class Association.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at:
www.regattanetwork.com/event/15468
or at the late registration table at the BYC clubhouse.
- 2.3 Registration for the event shall be completed by submission of the entry form and payment of the required entry fees by September 19th. Additionally, the submission of completed and signed copies of the crew weight and required equipment forms must be received by the Class Secretary prior to 1800 hours on September 29th.

3.0 FEES

- 3.1 Entry fee is \$350 plus \$195 Fleet dues = \$545 total. The late entry fee will be \$100 for all entries received on, or after Tuesday September 19th. The entry fee includes eight dinner tickets to the regatta reception and Paella dinner. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$25 per person.

4.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 29th

- 0930 hours: Skipper's meeting at BYC clubhouse.
- 1130 hours: First warning signal for buoy race. Two races are scheduled.
- No host bar and Friday Night BBQ (\$10 - \$17) at the BYC clubhouse after racing.

Saturday, September 30th

- 1130 hours: First warning signal for buoy race.
- Distance race to follow.
- Regatta Reception and Paella Party at the BYC clubhouse after racing.

Sunday, October 1st

- 1130 hours: First warning signal. Two races are scheduled.
- 1400 hours: No starts to take place after this time.
- No host bar and trophy presentation at the BYC clubhouse after racing.

5.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online on Regatta Network by 1700 hours on Wednesday, September 27th. www.regattanetwork.com/event/15468

6.0 VENUE

The racing area will be the Berkeley Circle for windward leeward races and the San Francisco Bay and its approaches for the distance race.

7.0 COURSES

The courses will be windward leeward type courses with the exception of the distance race, which will be described in the sailing instructions.

8.0 SCORING

8.1 Six races are scheduled, of which three must be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes Appendix A2.

9.0 BERTHING

Berthing will be available at Berkeley Yacht Club guest docks and the Berkeley Marina guests slips from Thursday, September 28th through Monday, October 2nd.

10.0 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, 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.

11.0 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers. The Express 37 National Championship Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta.

12.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision To Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

13.0 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate third-party liability insurance.

14.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional info please contact:

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