Notice of Race 2014 International 505 North American Championship

Santa Cruz Yacht Club May 21st through May 25th, 2014

All International 505 sailors are invited to attend the 2014 International 505 North American Championship to be hosted by the Santa Cruz Yacht Club and to be held in the Pacific Ocean just off of Santa Cruz, California USA. The organizing authority is the Santa Cruz Yacht Club (SCYC) in conjunction with the 505 Class Association American Section.

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. All US Sailing prescriptions are deleted except the prescriptions to rules 67, 70.5(a), and 76.1. Rule 61.4 and Appendix R are not modified or deleted. The prescription to rule 40 is deleted under the final sentence of the prescription to rule 88.2. Racing rule 40 will be changed to require competitors to wear a PFD at all times when on the water. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. ADVERTISING:

2.1. Boat and competitors shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Competing boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International 505 Class. Competitors must be members of their national 505 association.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter on-line at the following web address: http://505northamericans.scyc.org

4. FEES:

- 4.1. Regular Entry is \$275 USD and will be accepted up to 1200 hours on May 1st, 2014.
- 4.2. Late Entry is \$350 and will be accepted up to the end of registration.
- 4.3. Social Events and Clothing may be purchased on-line or at SCYC:
- 4.3.1. BBQ at SCYC, two tickets included with entry, additional tickets will be available at \$17 each.
- 4.3.2. Dinner at SCYC, two tickets are included with entry additional tickets will be available at \$22 each.
- 4.3.3. Two T-Shirts are included with entry, additional T-Shirts at \$22 each.

5. SCHEDULE:

5.1. One (1) practice race is scheduled. Twelve (12) races are scheduled for the regatta, three races each day. The race committee may add one (1) additional race to each race day to make up for races missed earlier in the regatta.

5.2. Wednesday, May 21st:

0900 - 1700 Registration

1000 - 1700 Measurement

1400 – Scheduled first warning signal of the Practice Race.

1800 – Big boat evening sail immediately followed by an informal BBQ at SCYC.

5.3. Thursday, May 22nd:

1030 – Competitors Meeting at the SCYC clubhouse.

1200 – Scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day.

1830 - Social event at the SCYC clubhouse

5.4. Friday, May 23rd:

1000 – 505 Class Meeting

1200 – Scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day.

1800 – Dinner available with SCYC members at SCYC clubhouse.

5.5. Saturday, May 24th:

1200 – Scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day.

1800 – 505 Fleet Dinner at SCYC clubhouse.

5.6. Sunday, May 25th:

1100 – Scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day.

1500 – Awards presentation at the SCYC clubhouse.

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT:

- 6.1. Competitors shall register prior to Measurement and Equipment Inspection.
- 6.2. Registration for the championship will take place at SCYC Clubhouse on Wednesday, May 21st from 0900 to 1700 hours.

- 6.3. Measurement for the championship will take place at SCYC Clubhouse on Wednesday, May 21st from 1000 to 1700 hours.
- 6.4. Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.
- 6.5. A maximum of two suits of sails will be measured to insure compliance with class rules.
- 6.6. All boats will be weighted to insure compliance with class rules. Boats must be presented dry at time of weigh in.
- 6.7. One boom, mast, centerboard, and rudder must be presented for measurement.
- 6.8. Spot checks may be made on any yacht selected at random by the race committee at any time during the event. Such spot checks may include, but are not limited to: hull weight, equipment compliance, sails and spar measurements.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

7.1. The sailing instructions will be available on-line at: http://505northamericans.scyc.org In addition, copies of the sailing instructions will be available at the SCYC clubhouse after 0900 hours on May 21st.

8. VENUE AND COURSES:

- 8.1. Attachment A shows the location of the regatta harbor.
- 8.2. Attachment B shows the location of the racing area.
- 8.3. Courses and marks will be described in detail in the sailing instructions. Gate starts will be used except in exceptional circumstances.

9. SCORING:

- 9.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When from six (6) to nine (9) race have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

10. SUPPORT BOATS:

- 10.1. Competitor's support boats are permitted only by prior arrangement with the Organizing Authority. Support boats shall declare the sail number of each competitor they are supporting. Support boats will register and be issued a numbered flag that they must display while in the racing area. Support boats are required to monitor the safety channel on their VHF radios and be available to assist in an emergency if requested by the Race Committee.
- 10.2. All support boats will make their best efforts not to impede or interfere with any competing boat, race committee boat or boat representing the organizing authority.

11. BERTHING:

- 11.1. When ashore, all boats must be stored on their dollies within their assigned spaces near SCYC.
- 11.2. Camping in not permitted on the SCYC or Santa Cruz Harbor grounds.
- 11.3. Accommodations near SCYC and the Harbor may be found here:
- 11.4. Parking is limited at the Santa Cruz Harbor. One parking pass per boat will be included with entry.
- 11.5. Trailers will be parked off-site. A map to the trailer parking area will be available during Registration. The off-site trailer parking is a 10 minute walk from SCYC.
- 11.6. While sailing, all boats shall return their dollies to their assigned space ashore near SCYC.
- 11.7. Support boats must be kept in the water for the duration of the regatta. Docking can be arranged with SCYC for a modest fee at the time of registration.

12. COMMUNCATIONS:

- 12.1. The Race Committee may use VHF radio to communicate information about any matter. Competitors are encouraged to carry VHF radios for safety.
- 12.2. Except for reasons of safety, a boat shall, while racing, neither make radio transmissions nor receive communications of any kind not available freely to all boats.

13. PRIZES:

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top five teams overall.
- 13.2. Perpetual awards will also be awarded in accordance with the 505 Class Rules and traditions of the class.

14. DISLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY:

14.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

15. INSURANCE:

15.1. Each participant shall be responsible for being insured with valid third party liability insurance for a minimum of \$1,000,000 USD.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION:

16.1. Santa Cruz Yacht Club main office: 831-425-0690, Beau Vrolyk, Principal Race Officer: 415-269-4589