



ALAMEDA COMMUNITY SAILING CENTER

SIR FRANCIS CHICHESTER RACE

June 18, 2016

Organizing Authority: Alameda Community Sailing Center

[Preliminary] Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The RRS, the Prescriptions of US Sailing and local class rules shall govern this regatta.
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed as follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.3 Propulsion rules will be modified in the sailing instructions to facilitate passage under the bridges.
- 1.4 The sailing instructions may change additional racing rules.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats but be aware that there are 4 bridges with clearance of about 15 feet, and the water is shallow along the east end of the island. [If we do this, do we need a handicap system?]
- 2.2 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online registration found at: www.sailalameda.org
- 2.3 Competitors will be required to check-in at the registration desk before racing to obtain an **RFID** tag.
- 2.4 The entry fee is \$40, if received on or before June 13th. The entry fee is \$50 after June 13th.
- 2.5 Entries will be accepted up until 30 minutes prior to the first warning.

[Question: What is the cost of the RFID tags, Is this the best way to go? How do we deal with RFID tags and needed data with late entries?] Rent for \$2.00 each

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Two races are scheduled. The first is a buoy race inside the seaplane lagoon. First warning signal 1100 hrs. The second race will be around Alameda Island. The warning will be as soon as practicable after the first race.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on June 16th at 1200 hours on the website: www.sailalameda.org and printed copies will be available at the registration desk on the morning of the regatta.

5. VENUE

The starting area for both races will be in Seaplane Lagoon in Alameda Point.

6. COURSES AND MARKS

The course for race one will be drop marks in the lagoon. The course for race two is around Alameda Island

in either direction, starting and finishing in the lagoon. Competitors need to be aware that circumnavigating the island will require capsizing their boat in order to pass under the 4 bridges on the island. [JEFF: does running aground on Alameda constitute hitting a mark?]

7 SCORING

7.1 The first race will be sailed inside Seaplane Lagoon. Its primary purpose is to draw community attention to the potential of Seaplane Lagoon as a valuable sailing venue to the City of Alameda. [Mike Bishop points out that if it is a exhibition race, most may choose not to sail...]

7.2 Race two, around Alameda, will be scored using the Portsmouth Handicapping System.

8 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded based on the number of boats entered.

9 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

It is recommended that competitors carry a VHF radio. [good idea?, where in the NOR?]

10 FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair –Mike Bishop: mjpbishop@gmail.com

PRO – Jeff Zarwell, jzarwell@regattapro.com

Management / Organization issues:

CITY PERMIT IS REQUIRED

- Kame has initiated this process with Kristopher Perez of PMRG (Alameda Pt. leasing agent)
- We will need porta-potties, special insurance as required by Alameda, and who knows what else!
- O Kalani Canoe Club has been required to pay \$400/day for a permit to use Seaplane Lagoon for canoe races.

SUPPORT BOATS

Thinking we need 6 to 8 boats.

ACSC can provide

- Zodiac 650
- Whaler 1
- Whaler 2
- Caribe 1 (in the lagoon: tug)

EYC

- Contact: Charles Hodgkins charles@sailingmischief.com; 510 504-4076 (emailed 5/3/16)
- EYC boat drivers
 - Fred Hoffman
 - Steve Hutchinson
 - Tibor Ipavic

South Beach YC

- Contact: Mike Bishop: can you deal with these folks?

Corinthian YC

- Contact: Jeff Zarwell: are you well positioned to do this?

Richmond YC

- Contact:
- RYC drivers
 - Buzz Blackett
 - John Ducatt

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Guessing a reasonable/low number will be 15 Lasers plus 5 other miscellaneous
Seems impossible to get 40.

INSHORE RACE

Longest beat will be about 0.4 nm
? One W/L race twice around ?

ROUND THE ISLAND RACE

Would like to have them underway by 11:30, noon at the latest.
Course length: 14.5 nm
4.8 hours at 3 knots
3.6 hours at 4 knots

PORTSMOUTH HANDICAP SYSTEM

Based on wind strength (uses Beaufort scale)
We will have “predictably” variable conditions, how do we deal with this?
? divide race course into 3 zones?

POST-RACE DOGS AND BEERS

Can we do dogs, chips and beer if 30 boats enter? (\$1200 gross income)

TROPHIES

Any ideas?