

2016 Fast 50s Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE

Saturday, September 17, 2016 Sunday, September 18, 2016

The 2016 Fast 50s Regatta will be presented by the Los Angeles Yacht Club (LAYC[®]). The club is located at 285 Whaler's Walk, San Pedro, California 90731. The LAYC telephone number is 310-831-1203, and the web address is LAYC.org.

1. Rules.

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The US Safety Equipment Requirements, (USSER), US Nearshore Race level, effective January 1, 2016, will apply. <u>http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/US_SER_2016.1%20with%20cx.pdf</u>
- 1.3. RRS 52 will be changed as follows: "However, discarding biodegradable sail stops when setting a sail is permitted." The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4. All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway."
- 1.5. Further, USCG Navigational Rule 34, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of one another... is in doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving at least five short and rapid blasts on the (horn)." Any boat participating in an LAYC race that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor, Pilot or a Commercial Vessel Captain that has warned that participating boat by sounding five horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction. **RRS** 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Protest Committee may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.

2. Eligibility and Entries.

- 2.1 This race is open to boats of the Fast 50 Class.
- 2.2 Eligible boats must enter online by completing an LAYC Race Entry form available at LAYC.org or through Regatta Network and paying the required fee.
- 2.3 Entry fees shall be \$250.00 if paid by Friday, September 2, 2016. Entry fees after September 2, 2016, will be \$300. Entries must be received by 1800 hours on the Friday, September 16, 2016. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Race Committee Chairman.
- 2.4 No entries will be considered without a current PHRF certificate and/or ORR certificate, completed entry forms and payment of fees by the entry deadline.
- 2.5 Cancellation Policy: 100% refund minus \$50 administrative fee if canceled <u>by or before 6pm on Wednesday,</u> <u>September 14, 2016;</u> 50% refund minus \$50 administrative fee if canceled *after* 6pm, Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

3. Schedule.

- 3.1 Three races will be scheduled: two for Saturday and one for Sunday.
- 3.2 The Warning Signal for the first start will be at 1155. Subsequent starts will follow the first start.
- 3.3 The Competitors Meeting will be held at the LAYC clubhouse, 1000 hours on Saturday, September 17, 2016.
- 3.4 Trophies will be presented at the LAYC clubhouse during the post race party on Sunday.
- 3.5 Hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar will follow each day's racing.

- 4. **Sailing Instructions.** The Sailing Instructions will be available both online and at the LAYC front desk by 1730 hours on Friday, September 9, 2016.
- 5. **Courses.** The courses will be selected from those published in the Sailing Instructions. Those courses will include a variety of course lengths around marks and landmarks in the San Pedro Bay area, both inside and outside the Federal breakwater.
- 6. **Scoring.** Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. A yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be no "throw out" race.
- 7. Berthing. Arrangements are available at Cabrillo Way Marina.
- 8. **Prizes.** Take home trophies for individual races will be awarded to the winning yacht on corrected time in each class. Take home trophies for the overall winner for PHRF and ORR classes will also be awarded, including the Kenneth Watts perpetual trophy. More specifics will be announced in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Race Committee Chairman

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