



# BERKELEY YACHT CLUB

## 2016 EXPRESS 27 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

October 14<sup>nd</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: THE BERKELEY YACHT CLUB  
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.
- 1.3 Appendix T Section A (PENALTIES WHILE RACING) shall apply.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Express 27 class that have paid their 2016 fleet dues.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at:  
[www.regattanetwork.com/event/13228](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/13228)  
or at the late registration table at the BYC clubhouse.

#### 3. FEES

- 3.1 Entry fee is \$180. The late fee will be \$45 for all entries received on, or after Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The entry fee includes five dinner tickets to the regatta reception and Oktoberfest dinner. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$25 per person.
- 3.2 Boats may register for and race only the distance race. The entry fee for this race is \$40.

#### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

- 1630- 2000 hours: Weigh-in, late registration, check-in at BYC clubhouse.

Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>

- 0800 – 0900 hours: Weigh –in
- 0930 hours: Skipper’s meeting at BYC clubhouse.
- 1130 hours: First warning signal. Three races are scheduled.
- No host bar and Friday Night BBQ (\$10 - \$17) at the BYC clubhouse after racing.
- 1800 hours: Express 27 annual class meeting at BYC clubhouse

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

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

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

- 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. MEASUREMENT**

5.1 All boats must conform to class measurement requirements and weight restrictions.

5.2 Class Measurers:

- Will Paxton: wpaxton@quantumsails.com
- Brendan Busch: brendanb@sfsail.com

5.3 All crewmembers shall weigh in. Weigh-in times are:

- Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> between 1630 and 2000 hours
- Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> between 0800 and 0900 hours

5.4 One off weigh-ins will be available each day for one-day sailors. The fleet measurer must approve all crew substitutions and weights.

5.5 All boats must return to Berkeley Yacht Club after Friday and Saturday's races.

## **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at Regatta Network and in the BYC Bar area by 1700 hours on Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

## **7. VENUE**

The racing area will be the Berkeley Circle and the Central San Francisco Bay. The distance race will start and finish in Berkeley Circle, with the course in Central San Francisco Bay and possibly out to Point Bonita.

## **8. COURSES**

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

## **9. SCORING**

9.1 Seven races are scheduled, of which three must be completed to constitute a series.

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

## **10. BERTHING**

10.1 Berthing will be available at Berkeley Yacht Club guest docks and the Berkeley Marina guests slips from Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> through Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.

10.2 Out of town boats should contact Hans Opsahl (hans@opsahl.net) to coordinate trailer storage and hauling.

## **11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats are required to remain in the water from the beginning of racing on Friday through the last race on Sunday, unless the PRO has approved a written request for haul out.

## **12. 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.

## **13. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the top five finishers. The Express 27 National Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta.

## **14. 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.

**15. INSURANCE**

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

**16. FURTHER INFORMATION** For additional info please contact

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Other: Hans Opsahl, Regatta Chair [hans@opsahl.net](mailto:hans@opsahl.net)