

Twin Island Series 2018

NOTICE OF RACE & ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

Race Dates: April 21st • July 14th • October 13th

The Sausalito Yacht Club invites Bay Sailors to come out for our annual Twin Island Series. The Series consists of three races with one race held on each of the above dates. Each race will start in the Knox area of SF Bay, then include Angel Island and Alcatraz - you choose the direction. The finish is in front of the Sausalito Yacht Club.

- 1. There will be two PHRF divisions, Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker. The first warning signal will be sounded at 1200.
- 2. RULES: The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall govern this Series, designated Advertising Category A.
- 3. The low point scoring system RRS A4 shall be used. Each Series shall be scored as a Series Longer than a Regatta per RRS A9. A minimum of one race shall be completed to constitute a Series. No races shall be excluded.
- 4. Trophies will be awarded to winners of individual races after each race at the clubhouse, where there will be hosted hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Series trophies will be awarded after the last race of the series. In addition to and concurrently, the best SYC member finishers in each division will be placed on the Twin Island Trophy for the first race, and the Decker Trophy for the series. Also concurrently to the above, boats that are entered for the entire series and that have active crewmembers 18 years of age or younger on board will be eligible to compete for the 75th Anniversary John Williams Youth Award. This will be a series trophy awarded in each division. Additionally, all crewmembers 18 years of age or younger on every eligible boat will receive an award and recognition after each race. Full details and requirements are appended to this NOR.
- 5. Entry is open to all yachts with a current PHRF certificate. A copy of your PHRF certificate must be received by the race committee or listed on the current YRA web site (www.yra.org) to complete your registration. Yachts without a current certificate or YRA listing may have a PHRF number assigned at the discretion of the race committee.
- 6. Sailing Instructions will be posted on the club website and available at the club no later than 1800, Thursday April 26th. Results will be posted to the club's race notice board after each race and on the club website the evening following the race.
- 7. Entry fee is \$90 for the series. Single race entries are \$35. Single race entries are not eligible for the Decker Series Trophy.
- 8. Online entry is strongly encouraged at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16123. However a mail-in entry form may be requested by email from race@sausalitoyachtclub.org, or picked up at the clubhouse.



The Twin Island Regatta

The Twin Island Regatta was conceived in 1979 as a race around the two islands, Angel and Alcatraz, in either direction. The race was to be held on the day before opening day, usually the last weekend in April. Then chef, Fernand Loing, had the Twin Island Trophy created to have the best finishing SYC member engraved on it. This resulted in the sometimes used nickname "The Chefs Special".

Today the Race has two divisions, spinnaker and non-spinnaker. It starts from a Race Committee boat in the Knox area, then a port rounding of a buoy by Yellow Bluff after which the skippers choose to round the two islands clockwise or counterclockwise, back to a starboard rounding of the Yellow Bluff buoy, and a finish off the club race deck..

DECKER TROPHY

In 2003 Rod Decker, a SYC member and racer, proposed adding a trophy to the Twin Island Regatta by creating a series adding two more races, one in the summer and one in the fall. He presented the Decker trophy to the club for the best overall SYC member finishers of the three races to be engraved on it.

75th ANNIVERSARY JOHN WILLIAMS AWARD

This is an additional award component to the Twin Island Series that began as part of the club's 75th anniversary focus on its origins: "founded by youth, benefiting youth". The intent is to foster the interest and joy of sailing in the next generation.

Any sailboat that signs up for all three races of the Twin Island Series will be eligible to compete for the trophy. It will be awarded to the boat/youths in each division with the best series record of scored races. An officially entered sailboat's race will be scored in the series when both of the following criteria are met:

- 1. There is at least one youth on board for the entire race; this does not need to be the same youth / youths for each race.
 - A youth is any person 18 years of age or younger on the day of the race who is physically capable of assisting in the operation of the boat.
- 2. The names and dates of birth of all youths on board have been declared for each race. Declaration must be submitted by the skipper to the Race organizers prior to the awards ceremony.

The 75th Anniversary Twin Island Trophy will be presented after the final race of the series. Daily awards will also be given to all declared youth participants at the presentations following each individual race.

Note that each skipper is wholly and solely responsible for their charges (youth participants). The club does not assume any role or responsibility in the skipper/youth relationship.