



Richmond Yacht Club

Notice of Race Big Dinghy Regatta April 21st and 22nd, 2018

Organizing Authority: Richmond Yacht Club

Rules:

1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. Rule 40 is changed as follows: “Competitors shall wear a PFD while racing except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment”.
3. Wet suits or dry suits are strongly encouraged and required for sailors under 18 years of age.

Eligibility/Entry/Fees:

1. Eligible boats are single hulled centerboard dinghies. Those with less than 5 boats in a fleet will sail in Portsmouth handicap divisions.
2. Eligible boats will be entered by completing online registration found at www.richmondyc.org. Credit cards will be accepted using online registration procedures.
3. The single day (Saturday OR Sunday) entry fee is \$35.00 per single handed boat and \$45.00 per double handed boat. Sailing both Saturday and the Sunday Pursuit race will cost an additional \$25.
4. There will be a late fee of \$25 for registration after 5pm on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

Schedule of Races:

RACE	DAY	TIME OF FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
1	Saturday	1200 hours
2	Saturday	Immediately following Race #1
3	Saturday	Immediately following Race #2
4	Saturday	Immediately following Race #3
5	Sunday	1125 --short course 1155 -- long course

Sailing Instructions/Competitors Meeting:

1. Sailing instructions will be available at the Richmond Yacht Club at or before the competitors meeting and on our web page, www.richmondyc.org.
2. Competitors Meeting will be held at 10 am both Saturday and Sunday on the lower deck.

Racing Area and Courses:

1. Saturday race area will be on one or two possible courses; course #1 will be East of the Southampton area, and course #2 will be Protrero Reach course. A third possible course will be Keller Cove if registrations do not support the cost of having two separate courses. Course locations, fleets and open classes will be assigned and posted at the Competitors meeting.
2. The Sunday Pursuit Race has two planned courses; the traditional short course rounding Brooks Island, and the traditional long course rounding Red Rock, Bob Klein buoy, and Brooks Island. Reverse handicap starts will be posted at or before the competitors meeting on April 9th.

Scoring:

1. At least four races, weather dependent, are planned for Saturday with no throw-outs using the low point system. This changes Rule A2.
2. One pursuit race is scheduled on Sunday with a reverse handicap system developed by RYC for this event.
3. One race will constitute a series.

Dockage:

1. Participants are invited to use RYC guest dock facilities for the duration of the regatta. If you wish to extend your stay to the day before and/or the day after, you must coordinate with the RYC Harbor Master (510-234-6569).

Prizes:

1. For Saturday buoy racing, prizes will be awarded to 1st through 3rd place finishers in each class with more than 5 boats. The presentation will be on the upper deck after the racing.
2. Prizes will be awarded to the first 5 finishers in the pursuit race. The Pursuit trophy presentation will be held on the RYC lower deck after the racing on Sunday. All are invited upstairs afterwards for the opening day celebration.

Parking:

1. Alternate parking will be available in the front and west side lot. No parking beyond "B" dock.

Social:

1. There will be a casual lasagne dinner on Saturday after the racing upstairs on the upper deck with a keg of beer between 1500-1730 hours. We must be off the deck by 1800 hours as there is an event in the main dining room. The cost will be \$10 per person. Regularly scheduled dinner will be served on Friday and Sunday night.

Disclaimer of Liability

1. Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see Rule 4: DECISION TO RACE). The Organizing Authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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