



Cortez Racing Association
A California Nonprofit Corporation

Presents the 40th Annual
San Diego Bay Beer Can Series
May 22nd thru July 31st – Except July 3rd

2019 NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including US Sailing Prescriptions, except US Sailing Prescriptions to Rules 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.2 *Appendix T: Arbitration and Appendix V: Alternative Penalties*, will apply. See NoR 9.
- 1.3 USCG "Navigation Rules, International-Inland" (www.navcen.uscg.gov/) apply when a vessel that is sailing under the *Racing Rules of Sailing* meets a vessel that is not.
- 1.4 Class Rules of PHRF San Diego (www.phrfsandiego.org) will apply including the requirement for each boat to have a current, valid PHRF certificate issued by PHRF San Diego. PHRF class breaks will not be used; classes will be determined by the OA.
- 1.5 Rules of any other class entered as a class will apply to that class (see NOR 5.2).
- 1.6 Only one headsail may be used at a time when racing, except briefly as a part of changing sails.
- 1.7 The following Rules will be modified in the sailing instructions:
 - RRS 29.2 General Recall: Recalled class goes to the end of the starting order.
 - RRS 35, A4, A5: Boats not finished by 8:00 pm will be scored DNF.
 - RRS 44.1 Taking a Penalty: Change is shown in NoR 9.
 - RRS 55 Trash Disposal: Discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail is permitted.
 - RRS 61.1(a) Protest Requirements: Protestor required to inform the RC at the finishing line.
 - RRS 62.1(a) Redress: Removes grounds for redress due to failure of hails for OCS boats and as stated in NoR 10.6.
 - RRS A4 and A5 Scores Determined by RC: A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.
 - RRS 60.2, 63.1, A4 and A5 are modified in the SI to allow the race committee to disqualify a boat without a hearing for:
 - Infringing USCG Navigational Rule 9,
 - Failure to check in,
 - Failure to keep clear of boats in the starting area,
 - Sailing through an obstruction,
 - Not having clearly visible sail numbers,
 - Failure to inform the RC of your withdrawal.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats will be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 2.2 Sponsor pennants will be provided to skippers and must be flown from the backstay of all boats when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. [DP]

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY



- 3.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing and limited to monohulls under 60'.
- 3.2 To be eligible, boats racing in a PHRF class must have a current rating certificate issued by PHRF San Diego, www.phrfsandiego.org. Rating certificates from SoCal PHRF are not acceptable. Exceptions are boats racing as a one-design class, or boats racing in a class using a different rating system.
- 3.3 A PHRF class boat racing without a valid PHRF San Diego certificate will break RRS 78. [DP]
- 3.4 All boats must have a means of propulsion (e.g. engine or paddle) and be able to avoid and stay clear of large vessels in the channel and/or military vessels.
- 3.5 All eligible boats must register and pay on-line at www.cortezracing.com no later than midnight on May 15, 2019 to avoid a **STEEP** late fee.
- 3.6 Entries close at 6pm on the Monday before each of the first four races and re-open on the Thursday following the race. Entries may otherwise be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.7 Entries will be limited in number to a maximum of 125 boats.
- 3.7 Identification on Sails for all entries must conform to RRS Appendix G.

4 ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 CRA & SGYC members: \$100.00 until May 15, 2019. (That's just \$10 a race! What a deal!)
- Other SDAYC members: \$250.00 until May 15, 2019.

Note: If you belong to any SDAYC club, CRA waives the \$75 initiation fee to join the Association. If you pay our \$120 annual dues to join, plus this \$100 entry fee, you are then able to enter this series and most all other CRA races for a cheaper price than entering the Beer Cans at \$250 and not becoming a member! What a deal! CRA members save \$360 in entry fees throughout the year! See our website for membership application information: www.cortezracing.org.

Not a member of any SDAYC club: \$330.00 until May 15, 2019.

Note: You can join CRA for \$195 (\$75 one-time initiation plus \$120 annual dues) and pay the CRA member Beer Can fee of \$100 for a total of \$295, a \$35 savings! See our website for membership application information: www.cortezracing.org.

- 4.2 Late entries from May 16 to June 10, 2019, will be accepted, based on availability, by paying an additional **\$75 late fee**.

5 CLASSES AND PENNANTS

- 5.1 Sponsor pennants and **Mount Gay Rum** hats will be included in skipper packets available for pick up as follows:
Kick-Off Party sponsored by **North Sails** - Harbor Island West Marina
 Wednesday, May 15, 2019, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm, and thereafter from
Rigworks Inc. 2801 Carleton Street, San Diego, CA 92106
 Shop: 619.223.3788 • Fax: 619.223.3099 8am - 5pm • M- F
- 5.2 Final class breaks will be determined after entries are received, to best balance the class sizes and boat distributions, at the discretion of the CRA Beer Can Steering Committee. Separate classes may be considered, if requested by the Fleet Captain, and if **10** (ten) boats sign up prior to May 17, to constitute a class.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 One race scheduled on each of the following Wednesdays: May 22, May 29, June 5, June 12, June 19, June 26, July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31. No race on July 3.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each Wednesday is 5:50pm.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions and **Ullman Sails** course chart will be included in the skipper packets provided at the 2019 Kick-Off Party. See details at the end of this NOR.
- 7.2 The sailing instructions and course chart will be available electronically by 5:00 pm on May 16, 2019 at www.cortezracing.com.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The starting area is in the vicinity of the ½ mile marker mid-Harbor Island.
- 8.2 The racing area covers the general locale known as San Diego Bay. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18773 San Diego Bay.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

For all classes, the first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or rule 31. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

9.2 PENALTY TAKEN AFTER A RACE

After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the



incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Ten races are scheduled in the series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 For every three races, one race will be excluded. Races abandoned by the R/C will affect the number of excluded races. Any race abandoned by the RC will count as one of the three throw-outs.
- 10.3 The rating on a boat's certificate that is in effect at the time of a boat's entry will apply to all races in the series regardless of whether the boat's rating is changed during the series.
- 10.4 PHRF "RLC" ratings will be used as the default for scoring all races and to determine class breaks. However, the PRO may elect, on a race-by-race basis for each class, to use the "Buoy" ratings, should conditions permit. PHRF non-spinnaker offsets will not be used for scoring.
- 10.5 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1 (a).

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 68 for communication. In the event of an emergency on the water, contact the Coast Guard directly using VHF channel 16.
- 11.2 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

12 PRIZES GALORE!

- 12.1 Race results will be announced at the after race meeting each week and posted at www.cortezracing.com. The location of the weekly post-race parties will be published in the Sailing Instructions, and published on the Series Schedule at www.cortezracing.com.
- 12.2 Weekly sponsors generously donate prizes for 1st and 3rd places and crew raffle prizes. 2nd place will be a bottle of **Mt. Gay Rum**. In addition to the weekly sponsor awards, 1st place includes a case of **Ballast Point Brew**. **Rigworks** will sponsor a weekly skippers' raffle. Please support our wonderful sponsors who make this all possible!
- 12.3 Other than for pending protests, no awards, prizes, trophies etc., will be held over for individuals. Winners must be present to receive trophies and other awards.
- 12.3 The coveted Beer Can Trophies will be awarded to series top contestants in each Class (with 3 exclusions) at the after race event following the last race of the series.
- 12.4 The winner of the series in each class (with 3 exclusions) will have their boat name added to the perpetual "Beer Can Winner" trophy.
- 12.5 The name of the boat in each class with the lowest score with no exclusions who participated in all 10 races, excepting those abandoned by the R/C, will be added to the "10 Race Class Overall Winner" perpetual trophy. Each winner receives one bottle of Black Barrel Mount Gay Rum sponsored by CRA.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. 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. The race organizers (CRA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or an 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. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against CRA and its officers, directors, members, committees and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

14 SKIPPERS NOTICE

- 14.1 Skippers will be held responsible for any disorderly, gross, or unlawful misconduct on the part of their crew during post race activities. Violations of ABC regulations, which include providing alcohol to a minor, will subject the boat to penalties that may include disqualification (DGM) and a Rule 69 hearing. Any crewmember engaging in disorderly behavior will be ejected from the post race event and their actions may be considered a breach of Rule 69: Misconduct.
- 14.2 All alcoholic beverages must be purchased at the Host facility. You may not bring your own beverages or spirits or open alcohol prizes on site.
Prizes containing alcohol shall not be opened on the premises of the party. This is a violation of ABC regulations and may be considered a breach of Rule 69: Misconduct.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to CRA's R/C Chair, Colleen Cooke, at sailorcookie@cox.net or (619)852-5010.



POST RACE ACTIVITIES

Meet ASAP after the race for refreshments, results, and re-hashing of the race at the location of the weekly post-race parties posted at the end of this notice, and on the Series page at www.cortezracing.com.

KICKOFF PARTY

Sponsored by North Sails – Harbor Island West Marina

A “Kickoff Party” will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Pick up race packets, hats and pennants and get into the “mind set” for racing.

Bites and Beverages!

After May 15, pick up race packets and pennants at:

Rigworks Inc.

2801 Carleton Street, San Diego, CA 92106

Shop: 619.223.3788 • Fax: 619.223.3099 8am - 5pm • M- F

MOUNT GAY RUM HATS & BEER CAN T-SHIRTS

Skippers will receive one “San Diego B.C. Series 2019” souvenir **Mount Gay Rum** hat. Pick up of all hats must be in-person (skipper) at the Kick-Off party or one of the first 3 race parties. All hats not claimed will be raffled to crew.

THANK YOU TO ALL VOLUNTEERS, SERIES ORGANIZERS & RACE COMMITTEE:

Regatta Chair: Renee Hirsh

Sponsor Coordinators: Renee Hirsh and Danyel Shipley

PRO: Colleen Cooke

CRA Commodore: Kym Kapalla

Beer Can Series Steering Committee: Renee Hirsh, Colleen Cooke, Cleve and Sandy Hardaker,
Reg Pyrke, Shelly Raming, Danyel Shipley, Jennifer Jordan, Susi Graff, and Rich Chambers

Protest Chair: Chris Bennett

Judges: Pat Stadel, Karen Butler, Colleen Cooke

Technical Committee Chair: Jon Gardner

Trophy Coordinator: Mike Dore

Website: Susi Graff

Signal Boats: Bob Ehlers’s *JB & ME*, SDYC’s *Corinthian*, and...

Pin Boat: SDYC’s *Pista* captained by Gary Adler

Safety Boat: Matt Kalla’s *Kallafornia Dreamin’* and Glenn Murray’s *Miss Jenn II*

And Our Talented Group of Race Committee Volunteers:

Colleen Cooke, Renee Hirsh, Shelly Raming, Rich Chambers, Margo MD, Linda Blanchard, Susi Graff, Chris Brzezinski, Angie Bartosik, Peter Blake, Lisa Clements, Julie Bendig, Jennifer Jordan, with Gary Adler and Randy Benton on the Pin Boat.



BEER CANS 2019 RACE SCHEDULE

Race #	Date	Venue	Sponsors
1	May 22	SWYC	Driscoll Boat Works
2	May 29	SWYC	Quantum Sails
3	June 5	Bali Hai	Rigworks
4	June 12	SDYC	Ullman Sails
5	June 19	SDYC	SD Sailing Supply
6	June 26	SWYC	North Sails
Bye	July 3		
7	July 10	SGYC	Walter Johnson Yachts
8	July 17	Bali Hai	JK3
9	July 24	SGYC	Meridian Health Care
10	July 31	Bali Hai	Sunglass Optical Warehouse

