









2021 Lipton Cup

June 18 - 20

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 All participants are expected to comply with Covid-19 Health Orders from the State of California and the Alameda and San Francisco Counties.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.3 Only the 6 short course races at Encinal on Saturday for the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy will be umpired fleet racing using a modified Addendum Q. The modified Addendum Q will be included with the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Requirements for handling the StFYC J/22s will be prescribed in Addendum C. Addendum C will be included with the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5 The J/22 Class Rules will not apply.
- 1.6 All competitors shall wear a PFD while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.
- 1.7 Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return-on-board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to all yacht clubs that are current members of the Pacific Interclub Yachting Association in good standing. Entrants must complete the entry form supplied by the

Organizing Authority and pay the entry fee at the time of registration by credit card. The online entry form will be available beginning at 12 noon on March 2nd, 2020 located at https://www.liptoncupsf.com/.

- 2.2 Crews shall consist of 4 persons, all of whom shall be current members in good standing of the club they represent. Skippers must meet the requirements for each of the race divisions.
- 2.3 The regatta is planned to be sailed in the ten St. Francis Yacht Club J/22s. Accordingly, a maximum of ten entries will be accepted. In the event that one or more of the StFYC J/22s is not available, another J/22 may be substituted by the Organizing Authority; such boat will utilize the StFYC sails. Entries will close once all of these boats are spoken for, or by June 14, 2021 at the latest. If more than ten clubs wish to enter, a wait list will be established, based on the time that the entry is received. For information regarding chartering a J/22, see NOR 7.
- 2.4 The entry fee for this three day event will be \$400, payable by credit card at the time of registration.
- 2.5 There will be a late entry fee of an additional \$100 after 5 PM on June 1, 2021 (if any of the fleet of J/22s provided by the St. Francis Yacht Club are still available).
- 2.6 Four Yacht Club entries have been preallocated for the 2021 regatta:
 - Richmond YC (Defending 2019 champion)
 - St Francis YC (J22 Fleet Chartering YC)
 - Encinal YC (Regatta Co-host)
 - South Beach YC (Regatta Co-host)

3 SCHEDULE

3.1 Mandatory skippers meetings will be held prior to each day's racing. The time and location of these meetings will be announced in the Sailing Instructions.

3.2

Date	Race	First Warning Signal
June 18	Admirals Cup This is a single destination race. The helmsperson is required to have reached his or her 60th birthday by June 20, 2021 or be a flag officer of the club he or she represents.	1400 hrs
June 19	Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy Up to 7 races will be held. The helmsperson shall have reached his or her 25th birthday on or before June 20, 2021.	1100 hrs
June 20	Larry Knight Trophy This is a single destination race. The helmsperson is required to be a female and shall have reached her 25th birthday on or before June 20, 2021.	1300 hrs

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available online from https://www.liptoncupsf.com/ by 0900 hours on June 14th. Printed copies will be available each morning of racing.

5 THE COURSES

- 5.1 **The Admirals Cup Race** will be a distance race, starting at the St. Francis YC race deck and finishing near the entrance to McCovey Cove off South Beach YC.
- The Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy Race will take place in the South Bay and Alameda Estuary off the Encinal YC. It will consist of a short distance race from South Beach YC to Encinal YC followed by 6 races of windward/leeward courses or variations of these using temporary buoys.
- 5.3 **The Larry Knight Trophy Race** will be a distance race, starting in the South Bay and finishing off the Race Deck at the St Francis Yacht Club.

6 SCORING

- 6.1 The Low Point system will apply.
- One race will constitute its own series for each of the Friday and Sunday events. A minimum of 2 races are required to constitute a series for the Saturday's Lipton Cup Perpetual Series. Up to 7 races will be held that day, with no throw-outs. This changes rule A2.
- 6.3 Scoring for the entire regatta, which will determine the winner of the Lipton Pacific Coast Perpetual Trophy, will be determined by each club's final standing in the three events, as follows: Score = (Admiral's Cup standing) + 2*(Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy Race standing) + (Larry Knight Trophy Race standing). In the event of a tie score between two or more boats, the tie will be broken by the standings of those clubs in the Sir Thomas Lipton Cup.

7 CHARTER BOATS

- 7.1 Entrant clubs must charter a J/22 from St. Francis YC for the regatta; contact StFYC Race Director at racing@stfyc.com. Charter arrangements may be made between April 1st and May 1st, 2021, or for late entrants no later than June 14, 2021.
- 7.2 Separate from the entry fee, the J/22 charter fee for this three day event will be \$375, payable to the St. Francis Yacht Club. There will also be a damage deposit (credit card hold) of \$1,500 per incident.
- 7.3 A boat will be assigned randomly to each entrant club for the duration of the regatta prior to the first race on Friday, June 18.
- 7.4 The club name shall be displayed on both sides of the mainsail; this will be supplied by the Organizing Authority. Each boat will display their club burgee on the backstay; the club shall provide the burgee to be displayed (minimum pennant size of 12" x 18").

8 SUPPORT AND SPECTATOR BOATS

Subject to the current county health guidelines at the time of the event, support boats may be available to transport competitors and club members between the South Beach Yacht Club and the St. Francis Yacht Club on Friday morning, between the Encinal Yacht Club and South Beach Yacht Club on Saturday and between the St. Francis Yacht Club and Encinal Yacht Club on Sunday. In the spirit of fostering friendly inter-club competition and interaction, spectator boats are encouraged to view the racing (primarily on Saturday, June 20). The Encinal Yacht Club will attempt to provide viewing opportunities for spectators from the participating clubs who would like to go out and view the racing on Saturday. The racecourse in the Alameda Estuary should be visible from the Encinal YC race decks and docks.

9 BERTHING

- 9.1 Racing Fleet: Berthing for the racing fleet will be available at the St. Francis Yacht Club docks on Friday prior to the first race and on Sunday following the final race. These boats are to be returned to the St. Francis Yacht Club dock following the finish of the Sunday race for check-out. Berthing for the racing fleet will be available at the South Beach Yacht Club on Friday evening and at Encinal Yacht Club following the races on Saturday until Sunday prior to that day's race.
- 9.2 Spectator Boats: Berthing will be available for as many support and spectator boats as possible at the South Beach Yacht Club, primarily on Friday afternoon and overnight. Please contact the SBYC Port Captain Bill Adams at portcaptain@southbeachyachtclub.org to arrange berthing at SBYC.
- 9.3 Spectator Boats: Berthing will be available for as many support and spectator boats as possible at the Encinal Yacht Club, primarily on Saturday afternoon and overnight. Please contact the EYC Port Captain Grant Hayes at portcaptain@encinal.org to arrange berthing at EYC.
- 9.4 Spectator Boats: Please contact the St. Francis YC Waterfront Director at 415-813-9741 (docks@stfyc.com) to arrange berthing on Friday or Sunday afternoons.

10 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS AND BOAT OPERATION

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with the prior written permission of the Regatta Chairman. Cleaning of boat underbodies after they are launched is not allowed (except to remove objects caught on the keel or rudder). Competitors must comply with the charter agreement of the St. Francis Yacht Club during the course of this regatta.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 These races are competing for the traditional perpetual trophies provided by the PICYA.

 Take-home and participation trophies will also be provided. Three trophy presentations will take place:
- 11.2 At SBYC on the evening of Friday, June 18, for the Admirals Cup Race, with the second place Valhalla Cup also awarded.
- 11.3 At EYC on the evening of Saturday, June 19, for the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy, with the second place Edward E. Peck Trophy also awarded.
- 11.4 At the StFYC in the afternoon of Sunday, June 20, for the Larry Knight Trophy, with the second place Treasurer's Cup also awarded.
- 11.5 The Lipton Pacific Coast Perpetual Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the club with the top combined scores.
- 11.6 Please note that while take-home trophies will be awarded during the above three presentations, the actual perpetual trophies will be awarded at the PICYA September Delegates Meeting.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

13 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Lipton Cup is held to promote friendly inter-club rivalry for our Bay Area yacht clubs and camaraderie for our sailing community. All participants and participating club members are invited and encouraged to attend all of these events, and are welcome by land or by sea. The schedule below is preliminary and may change some closer to the regatta start date, based on the current county health guidelines at the time of the event. Additional information or changes to outlined activities will be shared as changes or updated information is available.

FRIDAY EVENING at South Beach YC

There will be some refreshments provided on Friday afternoon at SBYC. There is a regular SBYC Friday Night Race this evening. Dinner will be available following SBYC's regular Friday Night racing.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING at Encinal YC

After racing, activities may include stand-up paddleboard (SUP) races in the EYC harbor and a liars' dice tournament in the bar area. Dinner service will be available in the evening following the days racing.

SUNDAY TROPHY PRESENTATION at St. Francis YC

At the conclusion of the competition there is a reception and trophy presentation on Sunday at StFYC, participants and guests are invited to socialize in the bar or have dinner in the Grill Room; obtain guest cards at the front desk.

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PICYA San Francisco Bay
in association with
Encinal Yacht Club, South Beach Yacht Club
and St Francis Yacht Club