

2020 "Little Boreas" Race

June 27, 2020

Elkhorn Yacht Club

with

Santa Cruz Yacht Club

Moss Landing, CA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. BACKGROUND

1.1 This is the THIRD year of this race. The idea for this race was to have a shorter version of the now defunct Boreas Race that, when last held, was a race from Half Moon Bay to Moss Landing. This is an approximately 17.5 nautical mile "Reach & Run" starting in Santa Cruz, going to Natural Bridges then heading directly to Moss Landing.

2. RULES

2.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in US Sailing's 2017-2020 "The Racing Rules of Sailing," with the exception of any special instructions stated herein or as stated at the Skipper's meeting.

2.2 RRS 40 is changed: all competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal flotation device during the race.

2.3 See "Safety" section of this document.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Registration for the race shall be made online using Regatta Network by noon Thursday, June 25, 2020. [if you are not able to register through Regatta Network please contact the EYC Office Manager at 831.724.3875 or eyc@elkhornyachtclub.org]

3.2 This event is open to all mono-hull and multi-hull sailing vessels recognized by the Yacht Racing Association (YRA). [separate divisions for mono-hull and multi-hull]

3.3 Deadline for submitting waivers, crew lists, etc. is 11:00 p.m. (2300 hrs) on Friday, June 26th.

3.4 Yachts shall be a member of a recognized yacht club.

3.5 Yachts must be properly equipped for offshore sailing.

3.6 A PHRF certificate is required as well as signed liability waivers and float plans. PHRF ratings are obtained from PHRF Monterey Bay Committee. Applications are available on EYC, SCYC, and MPYC websites. [If a boat does not hold a current PHRF certificate the Race Committee may convene and rule on an assigned rating before race time.]

3.7 There will be the following divisions:

A Fleet PHRF of 99 or less

B Fleet PHRF 100 or greater

C Fleet Multi-Hulls

Divisions may be added at the discretion of the OA. One-design divisions will be allowed for fleets with at least five (5) boats.

3.8 Final division assignments may be adjusted prior to the race

4. FEES
 - 4.1 The entry fee is \$35.00
5. BOATS
 - 5.1 The race will be sailed in mono-hull or multi-hull boats with valid PHRF ratings issued by the Monterey Bay PHRF Committee. [separate divisions for mono-hulls and multi-hulls]
6. SCHEDULE
 - 6.1 The race will start at 12 noon on Saturday June 27, 2020. Due to current directives from both the Santa Cruz and Monterey County Health Departments there will not be a Skipper's Meeting. All communication will be by e-mail. An e-mail "Skipper's Meeting" will be sent by 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26th.
7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at Regatta Network and through e-mail.
8. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS
 - 8.1 Boats shall be equipped in accordance with Federal Equipment Requirements for Recreational Vessels.
 - 8.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible.
 - 8.3 Boats shall carry a VHF marine radio capable of dual band monitoring, or two radios, monitoring Channels 16 and 68.
 - 8.4 Boats shall have ground tackle sufficient for anchoring offshore of hazards in the racing area, a bucket, a compass, working flashlight and a first aid kit. It is recommended that boats carry additional batteries.
 - 8.5 All participants shall wear a PFD while racing.
 - 8.6 California State law and boating regulations - boats shall stay at least 200 feet clear from a dive boat displaying the Divers, and or Alpha flags, and shall not approach within 100 yards of any U. S. Naval vessel or cruise ship. Boats should also exercise precaution in proximity of bathers, kayakers, and protected marine life.
 - 8.7 Boats shall be equipped with Lifelines appropriate for the particular boat design and type, and have jacklines and tethers onboard.
 - 8.8 Boats shall be equipped with a Life Sling or a horseshoe/donut-type buoy, USGC approved, with 100 feet of floating line attached to both the buoy and the boat. It is recommended that boats be equipped with at least one halyard long enough to be used for hoisting a person from the water back onboard, and/or an appropriate halyard extension .
 - 8.9 It is highly recommended that all boats carry two (2) cellular phones with batteries fully charged.
 - 8.10 It is highly recommended that all boats also be equipped with two handheld VHF marine transceivers.
 - 8.11 ALL PARTICIPANTS SHALL COMPLY WITH RELEVANT SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS AND SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH FACE MASKS FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE CREW.
9. VENUE
 - 9.1 Racing will occur in the Monterey Bay between Santa Cruz and Moss Landing.
10. COURSE
 - 10.1 The 17.5 nautical mile course will start in Santa Cruz between "Schuyler" (a yellow ball) near the Santa Cruz Warf and a committee boat anchored in an approximately 500 foot radius. Round "NB" Natural Bridges marker (to port), proceed past "SC" Mile Marker (leave to port) then head directly to the Moss Landing finish line between MLA (to starboard) AND "1" Green Can (to port).

10.2 Boats withdrawing from the race shall promptly notify the RC via VHF Channel 68 of their withdraw. If there is no response call 831.724.3875 (EYC) or 831.682.1808 (Peggy Carroll).

11. SCORING

11.1 The finish orders shall be posted on Regatta Network.

11.2 Terms and their respective scores (this changes RRS A 4.2, A9 and A11):

(DNF) Did Not Finish - boats that started, but did not finish, shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Finished" +1"

(DNS) Did Not Start - boats that have checked in, but did not start, shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Checked in +1"

(RET) Retire - A boat which voluntarily retires from a race after properly checking in, and/or starting shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Checked in +1". A boat which voluntarily takes the RET scoring after properly checked in must request such action on the water and/or by other means thus properly notifying the Race Committee prior to leaving the race area and/or by notification of race committee in shortest time practicable.

(DNC) Did Not Compete or Did Not Come - shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that "Registered +1"

12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes shall be awarded to the top three (3) finishing (corrected times) positions in each division that has at least five boats.

13. DISCLAIMER AND LIABILITY

13.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. 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 event and/or regatta.

13.2 As of 6/3/20 -In accordance with Monterey and Santa Cruz County Health Departments both the Elkhorn Yacht Club and Santa Cruz Yacht Club facilities are closed. This includes guest docks. As directives from the departments and the Yacht Clubs change Skippers will be notified.