

## ***John Larson Memorial Race***

**Saturday, August 8, 2020**

**Channel Islands Yacht Club**

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### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**



- 1. RULES:** This race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*. *In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, racers are strongly encouraged to follow state and local guidelines for social distancing in effect at the time of the race (eg, 6ft between non-household members or mask, buff, or bandana over the nose and mouth when closer than 6ft).*

This will be a Pursuit Race, ie, the boat with the highest handicap rating (theoretically the slowest boat) starts first, and subsequent boats start in order of their decreasing ratings. The start times will be calculated during the Skippers Meeting based on the participants' ratings, class breaks, and the length of their assigned courses. The order in which the boats finish determines their places within each class.

- 2. SCHEDULE:** Race entry and payment of fees will be completed online. The entry fee is \$35; USSA members receive a \$5 discount. Entry before 1800 hours, Friday, August 7, is preferred: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21028>.
  - **0900** Virtual Skippers Meeting -- Mandatory attendance by a representative from each boat for class assignments, start times, and other announcements.
    - Copy & paste or click on the following link to join the Zoom Meeting:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3996134278?pwd=YlVJeENmNDc4S1hYOVFVWm11MkZKQT09>
    - Or go to <https://zoom.us>, and select "Join a Meeting." When prompted, enter Meeting ID# 399 613 4278 and Passcode: 9Lfakk
  - **0930 - 0945** Distribution of Ditty Bags – curbside pickup outside CIYC by a delegate from each boat
  - **1130** Start time for first boat in each class (if multiple classes)
- 3. CLASSES:** PHRF Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker boats are welcome to participate. Area A Random Leg Course (RLC) ratings will be used. The Race Committee (RC) may assign a temporary rating for this race if a boat doesn't have a current PHRF rating. Class breaks and individual start times will be announced at the Skippers Meeting.
- 4. THE START:** The starboard end of the start line is Channel Islands Entrance Marker #1 and the port end is Marker #2. When the competitors have congregated in the starting area (no later than 1120), John's family would like to address all skippers and crew by radio to join in a toast to John.

Rule 26 will *not* be employed. At or after 11:30:00, the bow of the first boat in each class may cross the start line. The RC may sight the start line and signal if a boat starts too early (OCS). If the RC is not present, each boat will be on her honor to start correctly. Each subsequent boat will follow the same starting procedure at her assigned start time.

5. **THE FINISH:** The starboard end of the finish line is Channel Islands Entrance Marker #2 and the port end is Marker #1. When the first boat is approximately 30min from the finish, she is requested to notify the RC (Phone: \_\_\_\_\_) approximately when to be on station to sight the line as boats finish. If the RC is not present, as each boat crosses the finish line, the *boat will declare her GPS finish time via VHF (Channel 68).*

Spinnakers may be carried through the finish line (between Markers #1 and #2), but they must be doused, ie, head (or sock) of the spinnaker must be below the level of the boom gooseneck, before sailing between Markers #2 and #3.

6. **THE COURSES:** During the Skippers Meeting the RC will select one of the following courses for each class:

- **Course 1** (8.30nm): Start, Platform Gina (S), Wes Mark (S), Finish

- **Course 2** (12.49nm): Start, Platform Gina (S), Mandalay Buoy (P), Wes Mark (P), Finish

- Course marks and their coordinates:

CI Marker #1 (Green)	N 34° 09.3'	W 119° 13.8'
CI Marker #2 (Red)	N 34° 09.4'	W 119° 13.7'
Platform Gina	N 34° 07.1'	W 119° 16.6'
Mandalay Spar Buoy	N 34° 11.8'	W 119° 15.9'
Wes Mark Spar Buoy	N 34° 09.9'	W 119° 16.5'

- Note: Platform Gina is an oil platform; all associated mooring buoys are defined as part of the mark and must also be passed to starboard.

7. **PROTESTS:** At the earliest opportunity after the offense, “protests” should be made known to the offending boat, and the offender should make restitution on the course as soon as it is safe to do so.

Restitution for starting too early (“OCS”) requires the bow to dip behind the start line.

Breaking a general rule, such as touching a mark, requires a “360” (a 360-degree turn, ie, a tack and a gybe). Fouling another boat requires a “720” (2 tacks and 2 gybes). An unresolved offense may result in disqualification (“DSQ”). Protest forms are available online at US Sailing or through CIYC.

8. **SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** Each skipper is responsible for compliance with applicable US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Nearshore. All boats shall carry a VHF radio with Channels 16 and 68, which should be monitored throughout the race.

9. **HOSPITALITY:** Since 2008, Betty Larson and Deborah (Larson) Tyhurst, John’s widow and daughter, have hosted this CIYC race in his honor and with due respect for his favorites – sailing, rum, and chocolate chip cookies! A delegate from each boat is requested to drive through CIYC’s parking lot between 0930 and 0945 for curbside pickup of their Ditty Bag for the pre-race toast to John. *We also plan to hold an outdoor post-race awards presentation at CIYC. Details will be provided during the Skippers Meeting.*

10. **PRIZES:** Individual prizes will be awarded after racing. The winners’ names will be added to the John Larson Memorial Perpetual Trophy (John’s personal compass and case) and displayed in CIYC’s trophy case.