



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®

2022 Opening Day Race

NOTICE OF RACE

Saturday, May 14th, 2022

The 2022 Opening Day Race will be presented by Los Angeles Yacht Club®. The club is located at 285 Whaler's Walk, San Pedro, California 90731. The LAYC® telephone number is 310-831-1203, and the web address is LAYC.org.

Please read the following Covid-19 related information carefully. 2022 is the third year of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The event named above is being held and organized in compliance with all the current requirements, policies, restrictions, and procedures promulgated by Federal, California State and local government entities that may apply during the Covid-19 Pandemic, furthermore, this guidance shall be carefully followed by LAYC volunteers, competitors, and other race staff. As the Organizing Authority, LAYC will work within the six items listed below for the year 2022, unless there is a substantial improvement in the health procedure guidelines.

- Registration will **only** be offered online at www.layc.org
- There will be no gathering at the clubhouse before or after racing. This to include hospitality. There will not be a skippers' meeting. See SI's for detail.
- Results will be posted as soon as possible on www.layc.org and trophies will be handled separately after the event. See SI's for detail.
- Protests will be handled either outside with the participants adhering to social distancing protocols or online as a zoom meeting. See SI's for detail.
- Unless the entire crew of a boat has already had Covid-19 vaccination, the crew must wear face covering or masks and attempt to follow other re-mediating procedures while on board.
- The person in charge of each boat is responsible for providing LAYC Race Committee with contact information for each crew member to enable individuals to be traced for any reason during or after the event. This list should be emailed to tomtrujillo@me.com and kpcnut@aol.com before the start.

1. Rules.

This series will be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the [US Safety Equipment Requirements, \(USSER\)](#), US Nearshore Race level, except as modified by this notice of race and sailing instructions.

RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated using stored power.

1.1 the purposes of RRS 47, Trash Disposal there will be no penalty for losing biodegradable sail stops overboard used for reasons of safety or proper seamanship or discarding biodegradable table scraps overboard.

1.2 All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway."

Further, USCG Navigational Rule 34, in part reads “...When vessels in sight of one another... is in doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving at least five short and rapid blasts on the (horn).” *Any boat participating in an LAYC race that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor, Pilot or a Commercial Vessel Captain that has warned that participating boat by sounding five horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction. **RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Protest Committee may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.***

2. Eligibility and Entries. This race is open to yachts possessing a current Southern California PHRF handicap. The Area C Random Leg rating will apply. Cruising class or Wooden Hull class yachts which possess a SoCal PHRF certificate will use their applicable PHRF rating, Area C, Random Leg. A minimum of four entries will be required to establish a class. Entry fees shall be \$40.00 and all entries must be accompanied by a current PHRF certificate. Entries must be received by 1800 hours **Wednesday, May 11th, 2022**. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Race Committee Chairman. Late entries will not be considered without a current PHRF certificate, completed necessary entry forms and entry fees. Entries shall be made by completing an LAYC Race Entry form through Regatta Network.

Cruising Class. Entries in the Cruising Class will be allowed for any yacht with a valid PHRF rating. Cruising Class yachts are subject to additional rules as set forth in the Sailing Instructions. A minimum of four entries will be required to establish a Cruising Class.

- 3. Schedule of Race.** The warning signal for the first class will be at 1255. Subsequent starts if required will follow the first start.
- 4. Racing Area.** The racing area will be in the vicinity of Los Angeles Harbor, with the starting area approximately 1.5 nautical miles NE of the Los Angeles Harbor Entrance inside the middle breakwater area. The finish will be in the vicinity of the SS Lane Victory at N33 43.00' and W118 16.22'.
- 5. Sailing Instructions.** The Sailing Instructions will be available by 1200 hours on **Friday, May 13th, 2021**. All related race documents including Cruising Class Worksheets and Race Entry Forms will also be available on the LAYC website at www.LAYC.org.
- 6. Skippers Meeting.** There is no skippers meeting planned.
- 7. Scoring.** The Low Point system of Appendix A will apply.
- 8. Trophies.** Trophies will be presented as possible after the completion of racing. Take home trophies for the event will be awarded in each class on the following basis: up to 4 entries-1 trophy; 5 to 7 entries, 2 trophies; 8 or more entries, 3 trophies for corrected time finishes.

Perpetual trophies to be awarded are as follows:

1. ***The Keating Coffey Flagship Trophy*** will be awarded to the highest finishing **present Commodore or representative Flag Officer** who helms the entered boat for at least 75% of the measured distance of the race, including the start, each mark rounding, and the finish. Only those entries indicating **“Present Commodore / Flag Officer Driver”** on their entry form, or indicating such status to the Race Committee prior to 1150 hrs. on the day of the race will be eligible for the Keating Coffey Flagship Trophy. Boats competing for this trophy will sail the course with the code flag “one” and their yacht club burgee visible on the backstay.
2. ***The Craig Trophy*** will be awarded to the highest LAYC finisher who did not also win the Keating Coffey Flagship Trophy.
3. ***The Vanderbilt Trophy*** will be awarded to the highest non-LAYC finisher who did not also win the Keating Coffey Flagship Trophy.

9. Social Events and Hospitality. Trophy Presentation at LAYC Clubhouse following racing.

10. Berthing. Los Angeles Yacht Club can assist with limited berthing. For further information please contact the club office.

11. Disclaimer of Liability. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any 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. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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