

2022 Classic Mariners' Regatta Sat., June 4th. & Sun. June 5th.

Hosted by Port Townsend Sailing Association

Sailing Instructions

Regatta Format: Refer to the Notice of Race.

Wind permitting, there will be two triangle course races of about four miles each on Saturday.
On Sunday there will be about a nine mile Pursuit (reverse handicap start) race,

Skippers' Meeting: 10:00hrs. Saturday, June 4 th, 2022 in the Boat Haven parking lot by the ramp to A/B dock.

- Any Covid restrictions then in place will apply.
- Any changes to the published courses will be announced.
- Boats registered without an established PHRF will be assigned a Preliminary rating based, where possible on similar boats with a known rating. Others may wait until the Skippers meeting for a rating assignment.
- The Inshore Class will not be handicapped.
- Class identify streamers will be distributed..
- Registrants without Sail numbers must provide sufficient description for quick Identification on the water.

Short Skippers' Meeting: 10:00hrs. Sunday, June 5 th, 2022, Top of ramp to AB dock.

A short meeting to distribute lists of each Boat's Start time for the Pursuit race.
Answer questions about the new (to us) race format.
Announce if the short course will be used.

Rules: All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-2024 except as modified herein.

--**Section 5** of the RRS will be disregarded and no protests granted. Infractions are to be handled on the honor system, according to RRS 44.1 and 44.2. --**Exception:** - A disputed incident involving injury or serious damage may be brought to the PTSA Board for adjudication. Their decision shall be final.

--The two turn penalty is reduced to one turn.

--Notify the Race Committee of withdrawals and DSQ's for scoring purposes. By VHF 68 or by sail-by

--When encountering vessels not racing, the COLREGS take precedence.

--Boats identified as causing 5 or more horn blasts from a ferry will be disqualified. Boats may use their engine to keep clear of a ferry provided they do not improve their position in the race

Classes For the two Saturday races there will probably be four classes:-

RACING -- will fly blue streamer.

THUNDERBIRD sailing as a One Design fleet

CRUISING – will fly Red streamer --Cruising boats wishing to fly a spinnaker must declare it at registration as they may need a rating adjustment.

INSHORE – open boats and dingys --no PHRF rating- Yellow streamer.

If at close of Registration it is necessary to modify the classes it will be announced at the skipper's meeting.

Check-in on the course Each boat shall approach the Committee Boat at least 5 minutes prior to the first start each day and identify themselves, (no VHF check-ins). HOWEVER, keep well clear of the Committee Boat while it is maneuvering to anchor. No check-ins will be acknowledged during that time.

Courses: See attached course charts and detailed instructions

The **Saturday** Course will be an approximately two mile triangle, to be sailed twice around leaving all marks to Port. DO NOT pass through the Start/Finish line to start the second lap unless the course is shortened by the S flag flying at the leeward mark. The Inshore Class will only make one lap.

Wind permitting, there will be two races on Saturday, with a break between to realign the course
There will be no race started after 16:00 hrs on Saturday.

The **Sunday** course will be about a nine mile random leg course around and out of the bay.

Race Starts: Saturday The first starting sequence begins at or after 12:00 hrs.

The RRS standard 5 min. Sequence is used with the addition of an ALERT signal (6 horn blasts- no flag) one minute before the WARNING for the first starting class. The START for one class will be the beginning of the sequence for the next class

The starting classes and order are:

<u>Start Order</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Handicap</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Streamer</u>
1	Racing	PHRF	"A"	Blue
2	Thunderbird	O/D	T-bird	None
3	Cruising	PHRF	"B"	Red
4	INSHORE	None	"C"	Green

The Race Committee uses GPS time and makes signals only on whole minutes.

Once the WARNING for the first start is raised, boats not in the Starting Class **must** stay clear of the starting area until their CLASS flag is raised.

The Race Committee will try to hail any boats over the line early, if they can be identified.

The start can be interrupted and delayed by raising the Postponement flag with TWO horn Blasts.

A new start sequence will begin ONE minute after the Postponement flag comes down, with ONE blast.

Race Start: Sunday -There are no classes for this race. Each boat has its own start time based on their PHRF rating and the course length such that, in theory, with the slowest boat starting first, all finish at the same time.

- All participants will be assigned their Start time at the Sunday skipper's meeting.

- A regular start sequence will begin at 11:54:00 to give the slowest boat a 12:00:00 start. From then on a single horn will sound at each boat's assigned Start time.

-- Any boat that crosses the start line early (OCS) will automatically be assigned a penalty of 10 minutes. OCS boats will be hailed by the RC but are not required to restart. The 10 minute penalty will automatically be added to their finish time."

- Inshore Class boats will not officially sail this race as PHRF ratings are not generally available for small boats. If they wish to sail the course they should check in at the Committee Boat and should all start together with the first official boat. Their finish times will be recorded,

Time Limits: On Saturday Boats not finishing their course within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class, or 2 hours after their start, whichever is earlier, will be scored DNF. The finish times of the first boats of each class will be announced on VHF 68 as they occur.

For the Pursuit race on Sunday all boats must finish by 16:00:00 hrs or be DNF.

Safety: --All boats should comply with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements, NEARSHORE category.

- Racers should monitor VHF 68. The Race Committee MAY NOT respond to calls during start sequences. Most VHF and/or megaphone announcements to the whole fleet will be preceded by 3 long horn blasts to attract attention.

--Boats retiring from the race should notify the Race Committee.

Responsibility: Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 4, Decision to Race.) The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race, or to continue racing, is hers alone. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers and officials from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Warning from USCG: Do not approach within 100 yards of any US Naval Vessel, Washington State Ferry, tanker, or ship, or within 1000 yards of a Submarine. Violations are a felony and punishable by up to 6 years imprisonment and/or \$250,000 fine.

Also: - Washington State Law, RCW 77.15.740 -- Don't mess with Orca!

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Saturday Race Course

Two races are planned. All mark roundings are to Port.

The First Three Classes will sail the same Course

1st. Start – RACING Class, -- “A” Start Flag, -- Blue Streamer

2nd Start – THUNDERBIRD Class, – T-bird Start Flag

3rd. Start – CRUISING Class, – “B” Start Flag – Red Streamer.

Triangle Course- S – W – J – L -** - W – J – L – F

** Do **NOT** cross the S/F Line at the start of the second lap.

A suitable course for the inshore class will be announced at the Saturday Skippers meeting.

4th. Start:- IN-SHORE Class, – “C” Start Flag.
- Green Streamer.

Course:- Depends on mix of entries and also on weather conditions.

Shortened Course

The course may be shortened, for all but the Inshore class, by the Mark Boat flying the “S” Flag at the Leeward Mark “L”.

In which case go directly to cross the S/F line.

Time Limits :- Boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat of their class or 2 hours after the class start, whichever is earlier will be scored DNF.

Finish times for the first boat in each class will be announced, on VHF 68, as they occur.

