



Howl at the Moon Race

DANA WEST YACHT CLUB

Friday, October 27, 2023

Organizing Authority – The Organizing Authority for this race is the Dana West Yacht Club. The Dana West Yacht Club Race Committee will manage this regatta and shall appoint a protest committee.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS) including applicable US Sailing prescriptions. The RRS are available at <https://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/racing-rules-of-sailing/>
- 1.2 Only Mainsails and Headsails may be used. Spinnakers, Gennakers or double-headsails are not allowed. Whisker poles are allowed.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Regatta Network website <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25647> on or before race day.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on the window adjacent to the front entrance of the Dana West Yacht Club (DWYC).

For convenience, there will be online notice board located at:

<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25647>

- 3.2 All boats shall carry an operable VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 67, 68 and 69.
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all yachts whose owners or chartering skippers are members of yacht clubs affiliated with SCYA or a club affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 Eligible boats shall enter by completing and submitting the DWYC entry form on Regatta Network <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25647> under Dana West Yacht Club (DWYC). A copy of the PHRF rating certificate may be submitted with the entry. If no PHRF rating certificate is supplied, a rating will be assigned at the sole discretion of the DWYC Race Committee.
- 4.3 Completed entry forms must be received by 4p.m. on race day, October 27, 2023.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Entries must be accompanied by \$15.00 entry fee.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Race will be held on Friday October 27, 2023
- 6.2 There will be one race.
- 6.3 The Warning Signal for the race will be at 5:55 unless changed by the Race Committee on the water
- 6.4 Class Flags and Order of Start will be announced by Notice to Racers posted next to the front door at DWYC by 4 p.m. on race day.
- 6.5 Competitors meeting at DWYC is scheduled for 6:00p.m. on Thursday, October 26, 2023 via zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84842891024?pwd=QmRHVVR1RVJWwE5Ebk5GZ1Fmb1hJUT09>

7. COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Pacific Ocean just outside Dana Point Harbor as shown on Dana Point Race Chart v. 8.0.

8. SCORING

- 8.1 The Low Point System will apply with modifications detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10. RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 RRS3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

11. INSURANCE

- 11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid watercraft liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and property damage of \$100,000.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 There will be prizes awarded for costumes in addition to awards for first, second, and third calculated by corrected time using PHRF handicap scoring.
- 12.2 Trophies will be awarded at DWYC as soon as possible after the race.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 For further information please contact race@dwyc.org or see Barry Clark, Tamara Tatich or Tom Rafferty at Dana West Yacht Club.