# 2023 Delta Ditch Run



Event Date: June 3, 2023

Stockton Sailing Club 4980 Buckley Cove Way Stockton, Ca. 95219 Richmond Yacht Club 351 Brickyard Cove Rd Point Richmond, Ca. 94801



# **NOTICE OF RACE**

This is the 32<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Point Richmond to Stockton Race - also known as the Delta Ditch Run.

The notation [NP] in a rule in the NOR means it shall not be grounds for protest. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 This event will be sailed in compliance with the current San Joaquin County, Contra Costa County and State of California Covid-19 health orders. This requires that all participants follow applicable Covid-19 protocols and guidelines. [NP]

#### 2 SPECIAL RULES FOR THIS EVENT

- 2.1 Operating VHF radios are required. Radios must be on from check in, and monitored on channel 72 during the entire race for safety.
- 2.2 RRS 40.1, required use of personal flotation devices, applies while racing.

#### 3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 This event is open to yachts that meet NCPHRF minimum requirements, and have a NCPHRF or Stockton Sailing Club PHRF handicap rating.
  - 3.1.1 In the event that identical boats rate differently under the two systems, the NCPHRF rating will be applied.
  - 3.1.2 Time allowances for carrying reduced size headsails will not be allowed.
  - 3.1.3 Boats that do not have an SSC or NCPHRF rating, including modified boats, may be required to submit a valid NCPHRF certificate (www.yra.org).
  - 3.1.4 Final handicap decisions rest with the race committee.
- 3.2 A Cruising Division will be available to monohulled boats. Entrants in the Cruising Division will receive a four hour motoring allowance. There are no restrictions on the sails to be used.
- 3.3 A separate division is open to multihulls with a minimum design length of seventeen feet or greater, and a crew of two or more, that have a valid Bay Area Multihull Association (BAMA) rating.
  - 3.3.1 Beach multihulls must provide escort boats to oversee each division. Participants in this division, in conjunction with the Bay Area Multihull Association (BAMA), are responsible for arranging for escort boats to meet this requirement.

# 4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and submitting it, with the required fees, via the Regatta Network (RN) event site, <a href="http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707">http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707</a>.
- 4.2 Entry fees are as follows:

If received by May 28, 2023 \$100 If received after May 28, 2023 \$125

\*United States Sailing Association members may take a \$5 discount.

4.3 Entries close at Midnight, Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

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#### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Date of racing is: Saturday, June 3, 2023
  - 5.1.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Cruising Division is **0825 hours.**
  - 5.1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first Racing Division is **1025 hours.**

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by 1800 hours on Sunday, May 28, 2023, on the Regatta Network (RN) event site <a href="http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707">http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707</a>.

## 7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The course is from the starting area located between the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge and the Brothers Islands to the finish line at the Stockton Sailing Club.
- 7.2 The starting area for the Cruising Division will be in the Richmond Channel between the RYC Race Platform and Red #8.

#### 8 SCORING

- 8.1 Monohull divisions will be scored TOT using PHRF buoy ratings.
- 8.2 Multihull divisions will be scored TOT using BAMA ratings.

### 9 ASSIGNMENT TO DIVISION

- 9.1 One-Design divisions will be allowed upon request by fleets with at least six (6) boats, provided enough entries are received prior to the close of registration.
- 9.2 Final division assignments will be made, and published, after registration closes.

## 10 AWARDS

- 10.1 Awards will be presented in the Stockton Sailing Club clubhouse on Sunday at 0900 hours, unless conditions allow presentation Saturday night.
- 10.2 Awards will be presented to:
  - The top three finishers of each division
  - First-to-finish for mono and multi hull divisions
  - The top five monohull boats corrected overall (Only monohull boats which do not have an engine allowance are eligible for the overall awards).
  - The winner of the Cruising Division will receive the Frank Dukat perpetual trophy.

## 11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after this event. Prior to the start, the skipper of each entry shall electronically accept, as part of the entry process, the Richmond Yacht Club/Stockton Sailing Club joint liability release form, found on the RN event site <a href="http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707">http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25707</a>.

# 12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please visit the RN event site, or email: ditch@stocktonsc.org

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