

2023 Kenneth Watts Perpetual Trophy Series

NOTICE OF RACE SERIES

Friday, March 10 through Thursday, March 16, 2023

The 2023 Kenneth Watts Perpetual Trophy Series will be presented by Los Angeles Yacht Club®. The Club is located at 285 Whalers Walk, San Pedro, California 90731, (310) 831-1203. The Club's web address is LAYC.org. The Kenneth Watts Perpetual Trophy was deeded to Los Angles Yacht Club in May, 1986 in honor of Kenneth Watts, an innovative sailmaker and Los Angeles Yacht Club member for 48 years. The trophy is symbolic of accomplishments in ocean racing.

- 1. **Rules.** This series will be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-2024 edition, as modified by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the 2023 Newport Harbor Yacht Club Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race and US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER), except as modified by the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and Safety Equipment Requirements.
- 2. **Eligibility and Entries.** This Series is open to all qualifying teams entered in the 2023 Newport Harbor Yacht Club Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race. The 2023 Kenneth Watts Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of a race series open to monohulls having an overall length of 58 feet or more and shall be scored under the Offshore Racing Rule handicap system. There shall be no entry fee and entry in the 2023 Newport Harbor Yacht Club Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race shall qualify each team to participate in the Series.
- 3. **Schedule of Races.** The Series schedule shall be as stated in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the 2023 Newport Harbor Yacht Club Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race to be held beginning Friday, March 10, 2020 through Thursday, March 16, 2023.
- 4. **Scoring.** The winner of the trophy shall be the team having the lowest overall corrected ORR time.
- 5. **Trophies.** The winner will be named on the Kenneth Watts Perpetual Trophy and each member of the winning team will receive an interesting and unique memento of the award, which will be announced following completion of racing in the 2023 Newport Harbor Yacht Club Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race. There will be take home trophies for places 1, 2 and 3.
- 6. **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 (presenter, 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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