

# RAY WALLACE WOODEN BOAT CLASSIC, 2023

#### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## Saturday, July 22

Please read the following Covid-19 related information carefully. 2023 is the fourth 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. These procedures shall be followed by LAYC volunteers, competitors, and other race staff.

LA County is experiencing high rates of COVID-19, flu, and RSV. These three respiratory diseases can all cause severe illness. It is recommended by County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health that everyone wear a mask in indoor public spaces. This includes the areas within Los Angeles Yacht Club.

The *Ray Wallace Wooden Boat Classic* will be presented by Los Angeles Yacht Club®. LAYC is the Organizing Authority and is located at 285 Whalers Walk, San Pedro, California 90731, (310) 831-1203. The Club's web address is <a href="https://www.LAYC.org">www.LAYC.org</a>

- **1: RULES.** This regatta will be governed by the 2021- 2024 The Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS] and the prescriptions of the US SAILING ASSOCIATION and the appropriate class rules (except those that may be altered by the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto).
- **2: ENTRIES.** Entries shall be submitted by 1800 Thursday 7/20/2023, complete with the correct rating for this event. Late entries may be accepted at the Skippers' Meeting. This changes the NOR.
- **3: CONTESTANTS BRIEFING.** A Skipper's Meeting will at held at 0900 at the Los Angeles Yacht Club. Skippers may hail the Race Committee at VHF Channel 71 after 11:30 a.m.
- **4: NOTICE TO COMPETITORS.** Notices to Competitors, if any, and the Sailing Instructions will be distributed by the Race Committee online and at the contestant's briefing.
- **5: CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.** Changes in these Sailing Instructions, if any, will be distributed by the Race Committee at the competitor's briefing.
- **7: STARTING TIME.** Classes will start in reverse order (pursuit style) according to their PHRF ratings with the highest numerical rating(s) starting first. The first start will be at 12:00 PM. All

yachts must display their "Packet Numbers" to the R/C signal boat prior to the start and at the finish.

## 8: COURSES. Two possible courses. Long or short.

#### Long Course. (Signal flag A)

- **8.1 Start line.** The line will be immediately east of Pier 400 just off the main harbor channel. There is a shallow area east of the start that should be avoided.
- **8.2** The race will proceed west and out of the harbor at Angel's Gate.
- **8.3** Proceed west to the Point Fermin buoy (approximately 33 41.5N, 118 17.5W). The Point Fermin buoy is rounded to port. Please be aware that there is kelp and a rock north east of the buoy.
- **8.4** Proceed to channel buoy #1 Green (33 37.26N, 118 13.32W). Round #1 Green to port and return to Los Angeles Harbor, entering at Angel's Gate.
- **8.5** The finish will be at the same position as the start, east of Pier 400. Distance 10.6 nm

## **Short Course (Signal flag B)**

- **8.6 Start Line.** The line will be immediately east of Pier 400 just off the main harbor channel. There is a shallow area east of the start that should be avoided.
- **8.7** The race will proceed west and out of the harbor at Angel's Gate.
- **8.8** Proceed west to the Point Fermin buoy (approximately 33 41.5N, 118 17.5W). The Point Fermin buoy is rounded to port. Please be aware that there is kelp and a rock north east of the buoy.
- **8.9** Return to Los Angeles Harbor, entering at Angel's Gate.
- **8.10 The finish** will be at the same position as the start, east of Pier 400. Distance 5.5 nm
- **9 RECALLS.** Yachts that are OCS, will be signaled with a horn but no flag. Committee may also use Channel 71 to hail. This alters RRS Rule 29.1. INDIVIDUAL YACHTS OVER EARLY SHALL NOT RE-START THE RACE. For yachts that start early under the Individual Recall Rule, five (5) minutes will be added to their elapsed time [DP]. Yachts crossing the starting line more than one (1) minute before their scheduled start will be scored DNS.
- **10 TIME LIMIT.** Yachts failing to finish before 1530 may be scored DNF (Discretionary Penalty DP).

**10.1** It is important to understand that this year on the race day SAILGP will be running their F50 fully-foiling catamaran Professional Stadium Racing Event in Hurricane Gulch. It will be necessary for the LAYC Race Committee boat, Warrior II, to leave the finish area promptly in order to cross to their position in the Gulch to anchor for the SAILGP racing, which will start at 1600. There should be space for boats to pass in and out of Cabrillo Marina all day but please be aware of the extra traffic that will be in the harbor for the weekend. Competitors wishing to anchor in the "Bring your own Boat" area to watch the racing will need to purchase a BYOB flag from SAILGP before the event. <a href="https://www.sailgp.com">www.sailgp.com</a>

11 PROTESTS. The R/C must be verbally notified of protests at the finish of each race by the protester identifying the yacht being protested. Protests shall be written on US SAILING forms. Lodge all protests at the Los Angeles Yacht Club. Protests will be processed in the approximate order that they are received, providing they are received within the Protest Time which begins when the R/C Signal Boat arrives at the Los Angeles Yacht Club or Long Dock and ends one hour afterwards.

**12 CHECK-IN AND RETIREMENT.** Each yacht is required to check in with the R/C Signal Boat at least five (5) minutes before the first warning signal of the day. When checking in, EACH YACHT SHALL DISPLAY their "PACKET NUMBER" TO THE R/C SIGNAL BOAT UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED. A yacht retiring from the race, or leaving the course before the finish shall notify the R/C before departing. Failure to comply with either of the above requirements may be grounds for disqualification or a time penalty added to the yachts finishing time.

**13 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES.** RRS 44.2 shall apply except that a 360-degree turn is all that is required to be exonerated.

**14 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS.** A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive special radio communications not available to all yachts. Radio communications conducted by and between the R/C may be monitored by participants on **VHF Channel 71.** 

**15 TROPHIES.** At the conclusion of the race (and SAILGP), trophies for the Ray Wallace Wooden Boat Classic will be presented to the top finishing yachts at the Los Angeles Yacht Club, with a cocktail reception commencing at 1900.

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