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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2024 Bob Kearns Memorial Race Saturday, May 18, 2024

1. RACING RULES:

1.1. USCG Navigation Rules, International-Inland shall apply.

1.2. Standard Racing Signal Flags apply.

1.3. The Entry Form and these Sailing Instructions and any amendments hereto will apply.

1.4. Yachts shall carry all “Standard Equipment” listed in the PHRF Southern California Class Rules for Category 4 events (<http://www.phrfsocal.org/class.htm>).

1.5. Racing boats encountering non-racing craft shall conform to above, USCG Navigation Rules, International-Inland. Be advised that no vessel has the “right-of-way” over a large ship in the deep water channel. USCG Navigational Rules will be strictly enforced.

1.6 Racing boats shall follow the Racing Rules of Sailing as published by US Sailing.

2. CHECK-IN and ENTRIES

2.1. Registration for the Race will be through Regatta Network [Bob Kearns Memorial Race : Point Loma Yacht Club \(regattanetwork.com\)](http://www.regattanetwork.com)

2.2. This race is open to all Yacht Clubs. There is no Entry fee for PLYC Members – All others \$20 Entry fee with the exception of boats from Challenged Sailors of San Diego (Martins and Hansa 303's).

2.3. Yachts will have completed their “Check-In” when they check-in with and are acknowledged by the R/C.

2.4. Check-In will commence when the “L” flag is hoisted. After the lowering of the “L” flag, check-in, and radio check-in will continue at the discretion of the Race Committee on VHF channel 68.

2.5. If you have any questions about this race, please contact (text preferred) the Race Committee Chairperson at 619-994-8730.

3. STARTING & RACING AREAS:

3.1. The STARTING AREA will be near the west entrance to Harbor Island, in front of Tom Ham’s lighthouse restaurant.

3.2. The start line is between an orange flag on committee boat and a tetrahedron in bay unless otherwise specified by Race Committee prior to race.

3.3. The course will be Start – Bouy 9 – Bouy 21 – FM19 – finish 8.3nm

3.4. Boats MUST start upwind and upon crossing the starting line after the whistle, head to Buoy 9.

3.5. The finish line is the same as the start line. Boats may finish as they start, heading windward. Note that the start/finish line is not restricted for this race.

3.6. This will be a pursuit race with starting sequence and assigned start times as follows:

1157 one short horn blast P flag up

1159 Lower prep flag “P” with one short horn blast

1200 Start one prolonged horn blast

Start times:

12:00:00	Hen O the Sea	RLC 152
12:08:35	Miguelito	RLC 90
12:09:24	Wilson	RLC 84

4. RECALLS:

4.1. See item 1.6 above. Horn and Radio Recall

5. COURSE:

5.1. See section 3 above.

6. POSTPONEMENT AND ABANDONMENT:

6.1. See item 1.6 above. Any race delay will be forwarded by Radio.

7. TIME LIMIT:

7.1. The RC will retire to the Blue Wave at 1500 HOURS, and any boats not scored as finished shall be scored DNF for that race.

7.2. Any yacht withdrawing from the race for any reason shall hail race committee and notify them on Ch 68.

8. SCORING:

8.1. In accordance with item 1.6 above.

9. PROTESTS:

9.1. All protests shall follow rule 1.6 above, and shall notify the race committee on Ch 68.

10. RADIO: The RC will monitor VHF channel 68 except during any starting sequence and various other times.

11. RESPONSIBILITY, PERSONAL FLOTATION, AND SAFETY:

11.1. It is the sole responsibility of the skipper of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.

11.2. While racing each competitor will be required to have onboard all USCG required safety devices and flotation devices.

11.3. Notwithstanding any safety requirements, the ultimate safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or charterer. He/she must do his/her part to ensure that the yacht is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit. He/she must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He/she must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.

12. RACE RESULTS, TROPHY PRESENTATION, & POST RACE ACTIVITIES:

12.1. The after-race party will follow immediately after the race finish or approximately 3 PM, at Blue Wave inside Best Western on Shelter Island Dr.

13. RACE DISTANCE is 8.3 NM.