



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions After Sunset Race #1 & 2 Wednesday, September 18 & 25, 2024

Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club invites you to race two Wednesday evenings in our **After Sunset Series**.

RULES: This race will be governed by the “rules” as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*. Any change to the sailing instructions will be **posted online at SMWYC.org by 1700 hours of the race day**. The Two-Turns Penalty (Rule 44.1) is modified to one turn, which shall include one tack & one gybe. Spinnakers may be flown outside breakwater, **but not beyond Green lite on detached breakwater and the Ballard Creek breakwater when returning to marina.**

SCHEDULE OF RACES: **1st Race is Wednesday, September 18, 2024** with first warning at 1725 hours). **Race #2** (1st warning 1725) is **Sept 25, 2024 for the last Wednesday night race of the year!**

ENTRIES: Entry deadline is 1600 hours each race day. The entry fee is \$18 per race. Please submit entries ON-LINE at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28729> for **Race #1** and ON-LINE at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28730> for **Race #2**. Use PayPal or Credit Card for online entry using REGATTA NETWORK

CLASSES: There will be 3 classes for Racing PHRF 0-130 (BLUE), Cruising A 121-150 (YELLOW), CRUISING B (GREEN) 151-240. No boat exceeding 44' in length accepted. Cruising class is reserved for boats that do not usually race in regular PHRF and for novice skippers and crews. Entry into Cruising class will be at the discretion of the Race Event Chair. The running of a class is determined by the registration and reducing classes is at the discretion of the Race Committee.

HANDICAP SYSTEM: Racing class handicaps will be based on PHRF Area B W/L Buoy ratings. All boats must have valid PHRF SoCal Rating.

START: The Starting Line will be between a 5 mph speed buoy in the main channel and an orange flag on the 600 dock, near the entrance to G basin. **Monitor channel 71, follow the flags!**

STARTING TIMES: A courtesy alerting signal will be sounded at 1724. Racing boats will start at 1730, the A Cruisers 5 minutes later at 1735 B Cruisers, 1740. Race committee will attempt to announce OCS on Channel 71.

COURSE #1: 6 miles: Sail up Main Channel staying within the sailing area, (between the "NO SAIL" buoys). The lines between "NO SAIL" buoys on either side of the channel are considered a "continuous obstruction". **Proceed out the North Entrance to), rounding H to port** Return through the South Entrance, to the Main Channel (**stay between the no-sail buoys**), taking the first center channel marker (near USCG station) to port and proceed to the finish line **keeping all center markers to port.**

COURSE #2: 4.6 miles: Sail up Main Channel staying within the sailing area, **Out the North Entrance to), rounding breakwater to port.** Return through the South Entrance, to the Main Channel (**stay**

between the no-sail buoys). Round the first center channel marker (near USCG station) to port and proceed to the finish line **keeping all center markers to port.**

COURSE #3: 3.25 miles: Same as above except **windward mark is furthest southern seaward “No Sail” buoy before shoal markers (near south entrance to breakwater).** Round to port and return to “Sail area” (exception to briefly enter the motoring lane to complete the rounding).

FINISH: The Finish Line will be between an orange flag on the 600 dock and the 5mph buoy in the Main channel. **Finishing boats MUST sail close to the race committee to be recognized.** Any boat not finishing by 2000 hours will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish). RC will attempt to monitor channel 71. All competitors must radio RC on channel 71 upon the approach to the finish line.

PROTESTS: As this is intended to be a “fun” race, protests are discouraged. Protests will be settled by arbitration. Skippers intending to file a protest shall notify the RC as you finish. Protests shall be heard within 1 hour after the last boat to finish.

SCORING: The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. There will be individual race trophies awarded for the PHRF fleet and the Cruising fleet.

DINNER & TROPHIES: Trophies for both races (9.18 & 9.25) will be presented after the race on 9.25.24. Please join us at the SMWYC bar for drinks, and food.

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