## **CORONADO YACHT CLUB**



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## **HELGESON SPRING TWILIGHT SERIES**

April 20, May 4 & 18, June 1, 15, 2012

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1. RULES

This race is governed by the rules as defined in the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, and these sailing instructions.

- 1.1 Racing boats encountering non-racing craft shall conform to the Inland Rules of the Road.
- 1.2 NAVAL PROTECTION ZONE: The Naval Protection Zone is a 500 yard regulated area of water surrounding all US Naval Vessels of 100 feet or more. All vessels within 500 yards of a US Naval Vessel shall operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain safe course and speed, and shall proceed as directed by any official patrol. NO VESSEL IS ALLOWED WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A US NAVAL VESSEL. These zones are permanently in effect.

## 2. **ENTRIES**

- 2.1 Entry is open to members of all yacht clubs and sailing associations recognized by US Sailing.
- 2.2 There are three classes, 1, 2 and 3. During this series, any boat may compete in Classes 1 OR 3, or classes 2 OR 3, during the course of the five races, but boats must have 4 races in the same class to qualify for the trophy. It is irrelevant whether you used or did not use a spinnaker for those four races, your place is what counts.
- 2.3 Classes 1 and 2 use PHRF-SD RLC handicaps, except that a non-spinnaker offset will be applied for those who declare before that day's race that they will not use spinnaker.
- 2.4 Class 3 is boats using CYC Handicap ratings. Established Coronado Handicaps for Class 3 are posted at http://race.coronadoyc.org/handicap. Any boat wishing to race in Class 3 shall sign up as such, entering the current class 3 handicap, or if none, their PHRF-SD RLC rating.
- 2.5 Entry is free. Boats shall enter thru http://race.coronadoyc.org prior to 1500, April 20th. No CYC office entry is possible.
- 2.6 Class 1........PHRF rating of 113 or less
  Class 2......PHRF rating of 114 or greater
  Class 3......CYC Arbitrary Handicap Rating

#### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Any notices will be posted on the notice board on the clubhouse porch.

#### 4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board before 1700 race day.

## 5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the R/C Platform mast on the roof of the CYC

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building. Multiple horns will precede the first WARNING by one minute. Numeral pennants will be used as class flags for the five-minute Rule 26 start sequences. In the event of a **postponement**, the removal of the postpone flag will be accompanied by multiple horns, and precede the WARNING by one minute. This changes RRS race signals.

#### 6. **SIGNALS MADE AFLOAT**

No R/C vessel will be used for this series, except that an abandonment will be directly communicated to each vessel in the race by boat and on Channel 69.

## 7. CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING ORDER

Classes 1, 2 and 3 may fly numeral pennants one, two and three respectively from their backstay. Class 3 will start first, then 2, then 1. Classes may be combined – watch the flag hoist at the Warning.

## 8. SCHEDULE OF RACE

Five races will be conducted, April 20, May 4, 20, June 1, 15, 2012.

#### 9. CHECK IN

Prior to the first Warning, boats shall sail thru the START/FINSH LINE so the mainsail number can be identified by the R/C. There will be no aural or visual acknowledgement.

#### 10. TWO COURSES

- \*The course length is 2.67 nautical miles, or 3.5 miles. If on any given race day, a green flag is hoisted below the R/C flag, round GB1 to port and return as published. If, on the other hand, a red flag is hoisted below the R/C flag, pass GB1 to starboard and continue to round SD26 to port, GB1 to port, and return as published.
- 10.2 The order of race is:
  - (1) Start...clubhouse
  - (2) DIVER (P) (4) GB 1 \* (P or S) (6) DIVER (S)
  - (3) GB 8 (P) (5) GB 8 (S)
- (7) Finish club
- 10.3 Leave marks followed by **P** to port and marks followed by **S** to starboard.

## 11. THE START/FINISH LINE AND MARKS

- 11.1 The START/FINISH LINE lies between a buoyed pole displaying an orange flag and a red and white striped pier piling at the end of slip B-14. The piling is the starboard end of the start line and port end of the finish line.
- 11.2 GB (n) are Glorietta Bay channel buoys.
- 11.3 DIVER is a large orange tetrahedron located at the Northwest corner of Glorietta Bay adjacent to the Boathouse Restaurant.

#### 12. **THE START**

All 3 classes, unless combined, will receive a Rule 26, five minute sequenced start. Following is typical and repeats for classes 2 and 1.

Time	Event	Flag	Sound
1754	Multiple courtesy horns	None	Horns
1755	Warning Class 3	Class 3 Flag UP	Horn
1756	Prep	P Flag UP	Horn
1759	Prep	P Flag Removed	Horn

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1800	Start Class 3	Class 3 Flag Removed	Horn
1800	Warning Class 2	Class 2 Flag UP	same Horn
etc.			

During the starting sequences, if reasonably possible, a boat not racing shall not interfere with a boat racing (RRS 23.1).

## 13. **RECALLS**

Recalls shall be in accordance with RRS 29. Additionally, the R/C may hail OCS boats, but failure to hear a hail, order of hail, or delay in hailing will not be grounds for redress.

#### 14. **TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1 The time limit for the first yacht to finish will be 1930.
- 14.2 Yachts failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first yacht in their class finishes will be scored DNF.

#### 15. **PENALTIES**

The two turn penalty is modified by replacing it with a single turn to include one tack and one gybe. This modifies RRS 44.

#### 16. **PROTESTS**

- Any protest will be written on US Sailing forms, available at the club office, and lodged there no more than 60 minutes after the time of the protesting yacht's finish.
- Protests will be heard beginning at 1930 on the Tuesday that follows the race, but binding Arbitration may commence promptly upon receipt of forms if agreed by interested parties.

#### 17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, RRS, as amended by these instructions applies.
- 17.2 Each boat's total series score will be the sum of her scores for her **best four races in a single class**.
- 17.3 A boat that finishes and thereafter retires from a race (RET) will be scored points equal to the number of boats that started that race in her class.
- 17.4 A boat that came to the starting area, but did not start, did not finish, or was disqualified, shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area in her class.
- 17.5 A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series in her class.
- 17.6 Trophy ties not resolved by the first sentence in RRS, Appendix A, Para A2, will be decided in favor of the boat with the most first's, second's, etc, during her best 4 races.

## 18. **RETIREMENT**

A yacht that retires from a race is requested to notify the race committee immediately after arriving ashore.