



2014 WOMEN ON WATER/ WOMAN AT HELM REGATTA August 23rd and 24th, 2014 MARINA DEL REY, CALIFORNIA NOTICE OF RACE

The Women on the Water / Woman at the Helm Regatta is hosted by the ASMBYC and the following clubs; South Bay Yacht Racing Club, Pacific Mariner's Yacht Club, Marina Venice Yacht Club, Women's Sailing Association of Santa Monica Bay, Del Rey Yacht Club and California Yacht Club. Information about this regatta can be found at SBYRC.org and facebook.com/womenonthewater. The Regatta is held on August 23rd and 24th, 2014 and is run on the Santa Monica Bay in California.

1. RULES

- **1.1** This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*
- **1.2** The Organizing Authority (OA) is SBYRC.
- **1.3** Rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5 will be changed so that a boat starting more than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.
- **1.4** Rule 63.7 will be replaced with: "If there is any conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply."
- **1.5** Rule 82 will not apply.
- **1.6** Appendix T, Section A, Penalties While Racing, will apply.
- **1.7** Appendix T, Section B, Post-Race Penalties will apply with the following modification: the minimum 20% penalty is 2 places, and the minimum 30% penalty is 3 places.
- **1.8** Appendix T, Section C, Expedited Hearings, will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **2.1.** The regatta is open to one-design keelboats, boats rated 222 or lower, and Cruising Class boats. Boats with ratings outside this range may petition the Event Chair for a class.
- **2.2.** There will be three (3) divisions:
 - **2.2.1.** Women on Water (WOW), female helmsperson and all female crew using spinnaker.
 - 2.2.2. Woman at Helm (WAH) Performance, female helmsperson with co-ed crew.
 - 2.2.3. Woman at Helm (WAH) Cruising, female helmsperson with co-ed crew.
- **2.3.** WAH divisions with less than four (4) entries may be combined with another WAH division.

- **2.4. One Design fleets** with four or more entries in one of the divisions above will be eligible for separate fleet trophies.
- **2.5. One-design boats** with fewer than four (4) entries will be assigned a rating and raced with boats of a similar type.
- **2.6.** The cruising division will use handicaps based on the adjustments indicated using the ASMBYC cruiser class adjustment form.
- 2.7. Skippers must be women and members of a yacht club or sailing association affiliated with SCYA or US Sailing.
- 2.8. Entries will be completed online at <u>https://www.regattanetwork.com/registration</u>, which can also be accessed via the SBYRC website at <u>www.sbyrc.org</u>. Regatta Network Event Website: <u>http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8918</u>
- **2.9.** The entry fee is \$35 for members of US Sailing (with proof of membership), and \$40 for nonmembers. Entries are due by 1900 HRS on Thursday, August 21, 2014
- **2.10. Early entries** received by August 11th are discounted by \$5.
- **2.11. Late entries** (after 1900 HRS August 21) will be accepted upon approval of the PRO and a late fee of \$15.

Monday August 11	1800	Early Registration ends
Thursday August 21	1900	Registration Closed, Classes established
Saturday August 23	1000	Classes, class flags and order of starts posted
		on the Regatta Network website accessed via
		www.sbyrc.org
Saturday August 23	1155	Warning signal for the first race of the day,
		subsequent race(s) start thereafter
Saturday August 23	Post Racing	Daily Trophies and Party TBD
Sunday August 24	1000	Notices (if any) posted on the Regatta
		Network website accessed via www.sbyrc.org
Sunday August 24	1155	Warning signal for the first race of the day,
		subsequent race(s) start thereafter
Sunday August 24	Post Racing	Awards Ceremony and Party TBD

3. SCHEDULE

WOW/WAH Performance: Five (5) races are scheduled; three (3) on Saturday and two (2) on Sunday. Without posting a change to the schedule of races, the Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run one more race on Sunday if fewer than the scheduled number of races are completed on Saturday. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.

WAH Cruising: Three (3) races are scheduled; two (2) on Saturday and one (1) on Sunday. Without posting a change to the schedule of races, the Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run one more race on Sunday if fewer than the scheduled number of races are completed on Saturday. The RC at its discretion may run fewer total races

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CLASSES

The Sailing Instructions and classes will be posted on the Regatta Network website (also accessed via SBYRC's website at www.SBYRC.org), by 1900 hours **August 22, 2014** and on <u>www.facebook.com/womenonthewater</u>.

5. VENUE

5.1 The racing area will be on the Santa Monica Bay outside the Marina del Rey breakwater using the fixed marks of MdR as described in the ASMBYC Marina Del Rey Course Chart 16.

5.2 Any missing fixed buoys will be replaced by orange or yellow inflatables at the approximate position(s) listed on Course Chart #16.

6. COURSES

- 6.1. Courses for WOW and WAH Performance will be primarily windward / leeward
- **6.2.** Courses for the WAH Cruisers will be random legs using the ASMBYC MDR Course 16 Chart and /or inflatable orange and yellow marks.

7. RADIO COMMUNICATION

While on the water the RC may communicate via VHF with the competing boats, including announcing starting penalties.

8. SCORING

8.1. No race score will be excluded. This changes rule A28.2. One race must be completed to constitute a series for each division.

9. HOSPITALITY

Saturday, post-race hospitality and daily trophies will be held at TBD. Sunday post-race hospitality and trophy presentation will be held at TBD.

10. TROPHIES

- 10.1. The Robert S. Wilson Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the WOW division.
- **10.2.** The WSA Perpetual Trophy for Woman at the Helm will be awarded to the winner of the largest WAH class (Performance or Cruising), provided that they have not won this award previously.
- **10.3.** The Cheryl Rembert Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Martin 242 with the best performance in the WOW division.
- 10.4. Individual take home trophies will be awarded in each division according to the number of entrants per division, as follows: Up to 4 entries 1 trophy; Up to 6 entries 2 trophies; Up to 10 entries 3 trophies; 11 + entries 4 trophies

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this Regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4. The organizing authority, host yacht clubs, and ASMBYC will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

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Thank You: This Regatta has been running for more than 30 years and was founded ironically not by women, but by men who wanted to empower and encourage women to race and take leadership roles in our community. It would not continue without the co-ed collaborative efforts of the ASMBYC member clubs, boat owners, coaches, racers, sailors, friends of racers and local businesses here in the Marina. So thank you!

For More Information:

http://facebook.com/womenonthewater | http://www.sbyrc.org | http://www.wsasmb.org/wow-wah

To date, raffle prizes have been generously donated by:

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