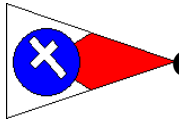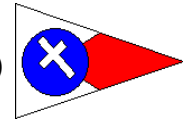**SANTA CRUZ YACHT CLUB**

CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS (AKA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS)

244 Fourth Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

2014 PREDICTED LOG CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1. This series will be governed by the rules as defined in the SCYC RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PREDICTED LOG NAVIGATION CONTESTS. As noted in the rules, the COLREGS supersede all other rules.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board and may be posted on-line.

2.2. The SCYC Official Notice Board is located in the northeast window of the Clubhouse, upper level.

2.3. The Contest Committee will use VHF channel 69 for communication.

3. CHANGES TO CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these Contest Instructions will be posted before 1100 on the day it will take effect.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 There will be a mandatory contestants meeting at 1030 on October 18, 2014 in the Clubhouse.

4.2 Starting times will be assigned at the contestants meeting, with the intent to start the faster boats first.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area will be between Santa Cruz Point and extending up to two nautical miles offshore.

6. THE COURSE

6.1. Attachment A shows the course, including the approximate position of the marks, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

6.2. A Chart (not for use for navigation) is provided in Attachment B to show the relative positions of the marks and the direction of each leg.
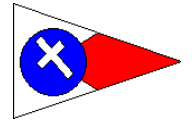
7. THE START

7.1 The start is defined by passing abeam of the starting mark on the required side in the direction of the first mark   The Observer will record the time at which the Competitor announces "Mark" or "Start", and will record whether the boat passed on the required side of the start mark...

7.2 Each boat shall be assigned a starting time at the competitors meeting, and they will be one minute apart... If the boat's actual start is within one minute of the assigned time, of the skipper's predicted times for each mark will be adjusted by the difference between the assumed starting time (1200) and the actual time. If the actual starting time is more than a minute off, the skipper's predicted times for each mark will be adjusted by the difference between 1200 and the assigned starting time.
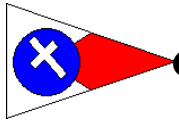
8. CHECKPOINTS

8.1. Attachment A describes the marks used as checkpoints.

8.2 The arrival at each checkpoint is defined as passing abeam of the mark on the required side from the direction of the previous mark. The Observer will record the time at which the Competitor announces "Mark" and will record whether the boat passed on the required side of the mark.

8.3 All marks should be rounded within 2 boat lengths unless traffic prevents you from safely doing that.

8.4 If a fixed mark is missing, the Contest committee will attempt to replace it with an inflatable mark at approximately the same location. If no replacement mark is in place, continue on to the next mark and note the situation in the Observer's log...

9. THE FINISH

9.1 The finish is defined by passing abeam of the finish mark on the required side from the direction of the previous mark. The Observer will record the time at which the Competitor says "Mark" or "Finish" and will record whether the boat passed on the required side of the finish mark.

10. TIMING DEVICES

10.1 As described in the rules, all timepieces, cell phones, GPS, etc. must be surrendered to the Observer at the Start.

10.2 There will be an official time hack at the Competitors meeting, which will be based on the clock on the ONWARD SCYC race committee boat. It is each Competitors responsibility to ensure that the Observer has an accurate timepiece, which has been calibrated to the official time.

11 NUMBERS

A boat number will be assigned and given to each boat at the Competitors meeting. The number shall be displayed on the starboard side of the boat, and returned to the clubhouse after the contest.

12. Observers

12.1 Each Competitor shall bring one adult observer to the Competitors meeting.

12.2 The Observer should be familiar with the rules, and have an accurate timepiece.

12.3 The Observer will be assigned by the Contest Committee to another boat in the same class if possible.

12.4 The Observer will fill out the Observer's Log and deliver it (and the boat's number) to the Scorer at the Yacht Club no later than half an hour after the boat returns to the harbor.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests and Requests for redress shall be delivered to the Clubhouse bar in writing within one hour of finishing or half an hour of returning to the harbor. All protests and Requests for Redress shall be accompanied by a $20 bill.
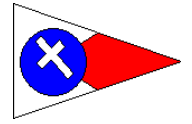
14. SCORING

The competitors will be scored under the SCYC RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PREDICTED LOG NAVIGATION CONTESTS.
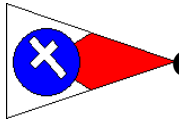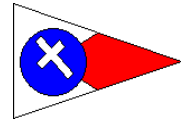
15. PRIZES

15.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority on the basis of participation. There will be a prize (or prizes) for each fleet, plus overall prizes.

15.2 There will be an awards ceremony at the SCYC clubhouse for daily prizes on October 18, 2014.
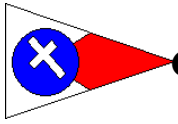
Attachment A: **Course**

Mark	Latitude	Longitude	Description	Leave to your
Start	36-57.09N	121-59.62 W	Unmarked Yellow Ball	Port
Mile Buoy	36-56.35N	122-00.56 W	Large RW "SC" whistle buoy	Starboard
Government	36-57.47N	122-00.72 W	Large white metal ball marked "CG"	Port
Wharf	36-56.90N	122-01.20 W	Unmarked Yellow Ball	Port
SC3	36-56.49N	121-58.00 W	Yellow Cylinder Marked "SC3"	Port
Capitola	36-57.86N	121-56.60 W	Rectangular yellow float (aka:Sponge Bob)	Port
SC3	36-56.49N	121-58.00 W	Yellow Cylinder Marked "SC3"	Starboard
Blacks	36-57.22N	121-59.29 W	Unmarked Yellow Ball	Port
Government finish	36-57.47N	122-00.72 W	Large white metal ball marked "CG"	Port

Attachment B: