



Point Loma Yacht Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2017 Bob Kearns Memorial (4 Buoy) Fiasco Race Saturday, May 13, 2017

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 1.1 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. Except as specified here-in, no racing rules shall apply.
2. CHECK-IN, ENTRIES AND SKIPPERS MEETING:
 - 2.1. Entry forms are available on PLYC’s web site <http://www.pointlomayachtclub.org/>, or at Point Loma Yacht Club on the day of the race.
 - 2.2. This race is open to all Yacht Clubs. There is no Entry fee for PLYC Members – All others \$20 Entry fee. This covers trophies, food, and beverages at the after-race party and trophy presentation.
 - 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 come by the PLYC Clubhouse Saturday morning.
3. STARTING & RACING AREAS:
 - 3.1. The STARTING AREA will be near the center of Harbor Island near Point Loma Yacht Club (an area known as Harbor Island Park) at approximately 32.72N by 117.20W.
 - 3.2. The start line is between an orange flag on shore and a tetrahedron in bay unless otherwise specified by Race Committee prior to race.
 - 3.3. The four course marks are channel markers 18, 19, 21, and FM 19. Boats shall round all four marks in any order and in any direction, rounding either to port or to starboard. Subsequent course laps may be completed in either direction.
 - 3.4. Boats MUST start upwind and upon crossing the starting line after the horn, may then turn and go either direction. Spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes start together.
 - 3.5. The finish line is the same as the start line. Boats may finish in either direction. Note that the start/finish line is not restricted for this race.

3.6. The starting times and signals will be:

1154 five short horn blasts

1155 one prolonged horn blast

1156 Raise prep flag “P” with short horn blast

1159 Lower prep flag “P” with short horn blast

1200 Start one prolonged horn blast – Spinnaker and Non- Spinnaker Start

1205 Start one prolonged horn blast - Martin 16 Class Start

4. RECALLS: 4.1. See item 1.6 above.

5. COURSE: 5.1. See section 3 above.

6. POSTPONEMENT AND ABANDONMENT: 6.1. See item 1.6 above.

7. TIME LIMIT: 7.1. The RC will retire to the clubhouse at 1600 HOURS, period.

7.2. Any yacht withdrawing from the race for any reason will go home.

8. SCORING: 8.1. In accordance with item 1.6 above.

9. PROTESTS: 9.1. All protests shall follow rule 1.6 above.

10. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES: 10.1. Not really.

11. RADIO: 11.1. The RC will monitor VHF channel 68 except during any starting sequence and various other times.

12. RESPONSIBILITY, PERSONAL FLOTATION, AND SAFETY: 12.1. It is the sole responsibility of the skipper of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.

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

12.3. 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.

13. RACE RESULTS, TROPHY PRESENTATION, & POST RACE ACTIVITIES: 13.1. The after-race party will follow immediately after the race, poolside at PLYC/Marina Cortez.

14. RACE DISTANCE 14.1. The course is 3.25 NM. When you come by the race committee to check in, they will be holding a sign showing a “I” for once around, “II” for twice around, etc.