

# King Harbor Yacht Club

## Club Handicap Racing Fleet

### 2024 Sunday Races

#### Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions 03/01/24

##### 1. RULES

The Racing Rules of Sailing shall govern this series, except as noted below. **Please note there is a limitation on luffing on reaching and running legs.** (See 11). Please be considerate to novices that may not fully understand racing rules.

##### 2. ENTERING AND ENTRY FEE

Boats may enter by completing a KHYC CHRF Entry Card prior to 12:30 hours PDT on the day of the first race in which it competes for a given series. Only one Entry Card is required for the entire series. Entries from previous series may be used at the discretion of the race committee. Fees are \$7.00 per race.

##### 3. SKIPPERS MEETING

Starting times and the course will be available on the lower deck at 12:30 prior to the race. For those not available, times may be posted on the KHYC website or can be obtained by calling the race committee, either by phone or on VHF 78.

##### 4. RATINGS

Ratings assigned for this series are derived from a system used by Santa Barbara Yacht Club. It is essentially the same as the "H" fleet system used on Thursday night racing. However, the ratings used for Sundays will not consider the Thursday ratings other than for the initial rating assignment.

Spinnakers may be flown or not. However, a separate rating will be assigned when a spinnaker is used. A qualification race will be required to use a spinnaker.

A summary of the CHRF rating system is available on the KHYC website.

##### 5. INITIAL RATINGS

Ratings will be assigned by the chief handicapper for the first race entered. They will be based on H fleet results if available, or an adjusted PHRF rating. Allowances will be given to those with very limited racing experience. Boats with initial ratings will be ineligible for trophies for the first two races completed.

The boat's rating for subsequent races will be based on the results of prior CHRF races.

##### 6. SCHEDULE

Races will be held Sunday afternoons of Mar. 17 April 21, May 19, June 9, July 21, Aug. 11, Sept. 22, Oct 20, Nov. 10, and Dec 08.

Changes to the schedule will be announced by email, and/or the KHYC website.

## 7. CLASSES

All boats will be ranked in order of their finish, and eligible for overall trophies.

There will be a separate class for boats that are skippered and helmed by a female. They will be eligible for a class trophy, as well as, an overall trophy.

## 8. STARTS

This series will employ an inverted starting sequence with starting times assigned by the race committee. These times along with course that will be sailed will be provided at the skippers meeting. The first start will be approximately 14:00.

Skippers will be responsible for starting at the proper time as synchronized to GPS or Atomic Clock time. The race committee time piece will be available at the skippers meeting. (Note: cell phone times should be acceptable)

The starting line will be between the north west corner of the upper west deck and T mark (or temporary mark). It is requested that boats avoid sailing through the start line prior to starting in order to avoid false start times.

Boats must start immediately after their assigned starting time on starboard tack. After their starting time, boats must not interfere with others preparing to start.

The race committee will attempt to notify anyone that starts prematurely by VHF channel 78. However, the skipper is ultimately responsible for a proper start.

Yachts not starting properly will be ineligible for a trophy, but their elapsed time will be used for calculating future handicaps

## 9. COURSES

The course to be sailed will be given at the skippers meeting.

Boats retiring from the race must advise the Race Committee without delay, either on Ch-78 VHF, KHYC (310) 376-2459, or cell phone number provided at the skippers meeting (normally 310-938-3322).

## 10. LIMITATIONS ON LUFFING

**Boats sailing on reaching or running legs shall not sail above their proper course when being passed by a faster boat.** This rule doesn't apply when rounding marks or when beating to weather.

## 11. FINISH

The finish line shall be between **T** mark and the patio on the west side of the upper deck of the KHYC clubhouse.

Yachts are encouraged to note time they finished and boats finishing before and after them, in the event of a race committee error. This data is necessary to calculate future handicaps

## **12. TIME LIMIT**

At least one boat must finish prior to 16:30 for a valid race. Any boats finishing after 16:30 or 20 minutes after the first finisher, whichever is later, shall be considered DNF.

## **13. PENALTY SYSTEM**

The "Two Turn Penalty" is replaced with a "One Turn Penalty", modifying Rules 44.1 & 44.2. Rule 44.3 shall not apply.

## **14. PROTESTS**

Protests must be on written forms available at KHYC and filed as soon as practical.

## **15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel **78**.

## **16. TROPHIES AND SCORING**

Individual race trophies will be awarded by class after each race with the number of trophies determined by class size and KHYC Trophy Policy. Trophies are normally presented at the dinner after the race.

## **17. HOSPITALITY**

All participants are welcome to have lunch at KHYC prior to their starts. This will be a good time to pickup the course assignment and starting time sheet.

After the race an informal dinner and trophy presentation will be held. Bring your own meat to grill and a side dish to share. All participants are welcome. There is usually plenty of extra food, so try to attend and encourage your crew to attend.

## **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Participants in this event compete entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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