San Francisco Bay Folkboat Association
2017 WEDNESDAY EVENING SERIES
St. Francis Yacht Club
4/26, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).*

1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The following classes are invited to participate: IOD, Knarr, and Folkboat. Each boat's registered owner and/or charterer shall be a current member in good standing of their respective class association.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at www.stfyc.com.

2.3 Early registration is strongly encouraged: **A yacht must be entered in the series prior to the start of the third scheduled race to be eligible for series scoring – no exceptions**.

2.4 Registration for the series will close on **May 10, 2017**. All series entries after this date will be subject to prior approval of the race committee, and will be ineligible for series scoring.

2.5 The race on Wednesday, August 2nd will be a non-counter for both the series and Degnan scoring. This race is intended to to promote the participation of guest skippers, either crew, past fleet "legends", or local sailing celebrities.

2.6 For a boat to be eligible for the Degnan trophy, the maximum number of counted races sailed by a guest skipper is four (4). For the purposes of this rule, series co-entrants, family members, and long-time crew members are not considered guest skippers. Series co-entrants must be named by May 10, 2017.

2.7 Single-night entries ("drop-ins") will be allowed. Yachts participating under this allowance must be current members of their class association in good standing, and will be eligible for nightly trophies but not series scoring or the Degnan trophy. Single-night entries must enter online www.stfyc.com by 1600 hours on the evening they plan to participate.

2.8 For the purposes of series scoring and the Degnan trophy, the scores of any single-night participants will not be counted.

3 FEES

Entry fee is $275 for the series, which includes a fee of $75 that will be paid by StFYC to the SF Bay Folkboat Association. The fee for single-night entries is $75 per race.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The first warning signal each night is scheduled for 1830 hours.

4.2 Fleets will be started in the following order: IOD, Knarr, Folkboat.

4.3 Racing will be held on the following dates: 4/26, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23.

4.4 Guests of competitors are welcome to watch the racing from the StFYC, and are encouraged to attend the Sailors' Buffet afterward in the Starting Line Room between 2000-2130 hours. Dinner and drinks may be purchased from a cashier in the Starting Line Room.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at StFYC and on the website www.stfyc.com by April 26.

6 RACING AREA

The intended race area will be set on the City Front utilizing fixed marks.

7 SCORING

7.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with the following exception: A boat that did not *start,* comply with RRS 30.2 or RRS 30.3, or *finish,* or that takes a penalty under RRS 44.3 or retires after *finishing*, or is disqualified, shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that started the race. This changes RRS A4.2.

7.2 Three races shall constitute a series.

7.3 For all classes, if six or fewer races are scored in the series, a yacht may discard her worst race score. If ten or more races are scored in the series, a yacht may discard her two worst race scores.

7.4 For the Knarr, Folkboat and IOD classes, thirteen scored races ("counters") are scheduled in the series.

7.5 For all classes, all scheduled races will be scored for the Degnan Trophy in accordance with the Degnan Trophy Scoring System except racing taking place on August 2nd.

8 BERTHING

Yacht owners are responsible for applicable docking fees. Overnight docking privileges are subject to availability and require approval of the StFYC Dockmaster, who can be reached at 415.813.9741.

9 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

10 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the StFYC Race Office.
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