



Sundown Series 2009

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Del Rey Yacht Club invites you to race in the Sundown Series, a fun and easy Friday evening race on the third Friday of the month from May to September. We encourage everyone from cruisers to racers to join this five race series.

RULES: This race will be governed by the “*rules*” as defined in the 2009-12 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Race Notice bulletin board at DRYC by 1700 hours of the race day.

No sail changes, furling adjustments, or spinnakers are allowed during each race.

The Two-Turns Penalty (Rule 44.2) is modified to one turn which shall include one tack and one gybe.

SCHEDULE OF RACES: Races will be held on Fridays on May 16, June 20, July 17, August 21, and September 18.

ENTRIES: Entry deadline is 1700 hours each race day. The entry fee is \$5. For your convenience, please submit entries on-line on www.dryc.org. The registration desk will be open on race day from 1600 to 1700 to accept entries and is located in the lobby of Del Rey Yacht Club across from Reception.

CLASSES: There will be classes for Racing (A), Cruising (B), One-Design, Sportboats, and Dinghy. Any one-design fleet, including dinghy classes, will be given a separate class provided that a minimum of 4 boats of that design register in the first race. Classes that do not maintain that minimum number of entries in subsequent races may be combined with another class at the option of the Race Event Chair.

Racing Class will be split into “A1” and “A2” fleets with separate starts when there are more than 9 starters. Cruising Class will be split into “B1” and “B2” fleets with separate starts when there are more than 9 starters.

Any boat that has raced in two or more spinnaker races in regular PHRF will be expected to race in “Racing Class”. Cruising class is reserved for boats that do not usually race in regular PHRF and for novice skippers and crews. Entry into Cruising class will be at the discretion of the Race Event Chair.

A boat may be placed in different fleets within a class for each race in the series.

HANDICAP SYSTEM: Racing class handicaps will be based on PHRF Area B ratings with no allowances provided for Non-Spinnaker Offsets. DRYC's Cruiser Handicap System will be used for Cruising Class is based upon PHRF rules - Appendix E. Entries without a handicap will be assigned one by the Race Committee. Dinghy classes will be scored using Portsmouth ratings.

PROTEST: Skippers intending to file a protest shall notify the RC as you finish. Protests shall be delivered within 30 minutes of the last boat to finish.

START: The Starting Line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and an orange flag in the water and will be located in the main channel near D Basin.

WARNING and STARTING TIMES: An attention signal (multiple sounds) will be given at 1759 hours. The warning signal for the first start will be given at 1800 hours.

Order of Starts and Class assignments will be based on ratings and will be posted on a board on the Race Committee Boat on the water.

COURSE: Sail down the Main Channel staying in the sail only portion (between the "NO SAIL" buoys). The line between these buoys is considered a "continuous obstruction". Proceed out the North Entrance, to "SS" mark (yellow spar), rounding it to port. Return through the South Entrance, to the Main Channel (stay between the no sail buoys). Round the first center channel marker (starting at USCG station) to port and proceed to the finish line. *All other channel markers are not marks of the course and may be ignored.*

Dinghy Classes will be given an alternate rounding mark inside the channel and will not sail in the bay outside the breakwater. Notice to Competitors will be posted to indicate the alternate course.

FINISH: The Finish Line will be at the DRYC Main channel dock, between an orange flag on or next to the dock and an orange flag in the main channel. Any boat not finishing by 2000 hours will be scored a DNF (Did Not Finish).

SCORING: The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. For Series scoring, there will be one overall winner of the Racing fleet and one overall winner of the Cruising fleet. This will be determined based on the entry with the lowest points, regardless of class. Ties will be broken based on the most competitive individual races at the discretion of the Race Event Chairman.

DINNER & TROPHIES: Please join us for a no-host bar and Budget BBQ.

The "DRYC Sundown Series" Perpetual Trophies for the overall winners of each class will be presented at the DRYC annual awards dinner (date to be announced).

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