

# Thunderbird Sailing Club Hiram Douglas Memorial Regatta

Sunday, November 4, 2018

## *Sailing Instructions*

1. **RULES** The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020. Thunderbird Sailing Club is the Organizing Authority.

### 2. ENTRIES

2.1 Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the entry fee no later than the end of registration period.

2.2 Entering boats must be 18 feet length on deck or greater. Other boats allowed at the discretion of the Regatta Chair.

2.3 The primary helmsman of a boat must be a current member of Central States Sailing Association or of another US SAILING Regional Sailing Association if that helmsman resides outside the CSSA Region or a TSC recognized sailing club

2.4 Boats shall conform to the class rules as to sails, spars, hull measurements, propulsion and all other class rules.

2.5 Boats shall register in either Multi hull, Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker classes.

2.6 Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker classes will be scored using OCBC, or if none available, then US SAILING published PHRF handicap ratings.

2.7 The multihull class will be scored by US SAILING Portsmouth Yardstick with wind correction factors.

3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** will be posted on the bulletin board located on the BoatHouse verandah.

4. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be posted before 1100.

### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the southeast corner of the BoatHouse verandah.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 'minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 6. SCHEDULE:

08:30 Registration, coffee, donuts

10:30 Registration ends

10:45 Competitors' Meeting

11:20 Harbor Gun

11:50 Warning Signal 1st start for Distance Race

16:40 Refreshments: chili and sides, beverages & warm building

17:00 Trophy presentation

### 7. THE COURSE

7.1 The racing area will be in navigable portions of Lake Thunderbird. A map of the lake will be given out at the competitors meeting.

7.2 The course will be described at the Competitors Meeting.

7.3 The starting line shall be open and shall be a required gate of the course. All competing boats shall pass through this gate on that leg of the course (in case of course shortening).

## 8. MARKS

8.1 The marks are yellow cylinders, orange cylinders and permanent marks; to be described at the competitors' meeting.

8.2 New marks as provided in Instruction 11 will be orange cylinders.

## 9. THE START

9.1 Races shall be started in accordance with RRS 26 with the Warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

9.2 The order of starts, the fleet constituting each start and Class Flag for each start will be announced at the Competitors' Meeting.

9.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the RC Boat at the starboard end, and the port-end starting mark.

10. SHORTENING THE COURSE will be done in accordance with rule 32.

11. CHANGING THE COURSE will be done in accordance with rule 33.

12. THE FINISH The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC Boat and the port-end finishing mark.

## 13. TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit will be 4 hours . The race shall be valid for any fleet in which one or more boats finish within the time limit.

13.2 If one or more late finishing boats are unduly delaying the completion of the race, the race committee may elect to score such boats as having finished in their respective positions on the race course without regard to any handicap, and will so notify such boat(s).

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available from the bulletin board. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

14.2 The protest-filing deadline will be approximately 30 minutes after the RC Boat returns to the harbor or dock and makes a sound signal. Such deadline will be posted on the bulletin board no later than 15 minutes before such deadline.

14.3 A list of protests received will be posted on the bulletin board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after the end of the protest time limit.

14.4 The CSSA Arbitration process will be used for all protests.

## 15 . SCORING

15.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A4.1, will apply.

15.2 In accordance with RRS A4.2, a boat that Did Not Start, Did Not Finish, Retired After Finishing, or was Disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in her fleet.

15.3 Ties: RRS Appendix A7 will be used to decide all ties.

## 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Check-in is not required, unless indicated by the display of flag L on the RC Boat. If flag L is displayed, each boat is requested to sail past the stern of the RC boat, before the warning signal of her race, and hail her class and sail number.

16.2 Safety is the sole responsibility of each skipper. Each skipper must evaluate his or her own boat's seaworthiness and their own ability and base a decision to race, continue racing, or not to race upon these, among other, factors.

16.3 One United States Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) must be carried aboard each boat for every person aboard and, entrants must carry an additional approved throw able PFD.

16.5 It will be the responsibility of each boat to comply with applicable state water safety regulations. State law requires that all boats have a copy of their registration aboard.

16.6 Boats withdrawing from a race before finishing must endeavor to notify the Race Committee before leaving the race area or, if unable to do so, must post a notice of their withdrawal on the bulletin board as soon as practicable.

## 17. TROPHIES:

17.1 The Thunderbird Sailing Club Hiram Douglas Memorial Regatta Trophy for the "best performing" boat will be awarded to the winner of the largest fleet.

17.2 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in the Multihull Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker Fleets

17.3 The Hiram Douglas Memorial Trophy is the property of TSC and will be held in stewardship by the winning skipper until the succeeding year at which time it will be returned to the Executive Committee of TSC.

## 18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

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