

Benicia Yacht Club

Thursday Night Sailing

2020 Regular Season – COVID-19 Abbreviated

Notice of Regatta

1.0 **ANNOUNCEMENT:** Starting Thursday, 9 July 2020, the Benicia Yacht Club will host a sailing regatta approximately every Thursday evening in the waters off of the City of Benicia. This schedule will continue through the end of September, 2020.

Special Note: State and County Health Orders are in place to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus. The orders include the wearing of facial masks and maintaining physical personal distances. Federal Regulations already obligates all skippers regarding the health and safety of their crew. Therefore, all skippers will determine the policy for their own boat regarding masks and social distancing.

2.0 **RULES:**

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2.2 The Sailing Instructions define additional rules specific to this regatta series. Also, they will require competitors to wear personal flotation devices.

3.0 **RACE DOCUMENTS:** The following documents will be used to govern the event. These documents may be downloaded from the Benicia Yacht Club website:

3.1 Notice of Regatta.

3.2 Sailing Instructions.

3.3 Course Sheet

3.4 Racing Rules of Sailing

3.5 TideLog publication as official reference for time of sunset (not downloaded)

4.0 **FLEETS:** There will be three fleets:

4.1 "A Fleet" (Competitive, PHRF 150 or less, usually)

4.2 "C Fleet" (Competitive, PHRF greater than 150, usually)

4.3 "Aloha Fleet" (non-competitive)

Entry is open to all boats. All skippers must complete an entry form and submit it to the Race Chair prior to their first race.

5.0 **SCHEDULE:** The first Warning signal will be at 18:00 hours. Most races will conclude at approximately sunset, as the last boat finishes.

6.0 **FEEES:** Entry fees are required for all boats in competitive fleets. There is no fee for boats in the Aloha Fleet. See Sailing Instructions for details.

7.0 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate at their own risk. See rule 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 race

8.0 **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For more information, contact the Race Chair, Dan Carnahan, 707-319-5706, race@mail.beniciayachtclub.org.