



# President's Message



It is my great pleasure and honour, on behalf of the Farr 40 Class Executive Committee, to invite you to the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Rolex Farr 40 World Championship in Long Beach, California, USA.

The event is hosted by the prestigious Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC) in sunny, southern California. LBYC is well known as the host of the Congressional Cup and is also familiar to the Farr 40 class having hosted the Rolex North Americans both in 2011 and 2014. We look forward to making friends again and enjoying both their fine hospitality and superb event management both on and off the water.

The Farr 40 Fleet continues to strengthen its fleet numbers in 2015 with notable increases in the Corinthian fleets both in Australia and USA. The success of the class lies in its international recognition as a strictly regulated one design class attracting both the best crews and offering the finest close competition with exemplary comradery between owners and their crews.

I wish to acknowledge all of the hard work and preparation undertaken by everyone involved in the planning and running of this event. The Rolex Farr 40 World Championship sets the highest standard for all, both in competition and in event management. Geoff Stagg and Tink Chambers having worked on all 18 World Championships since 1998 and continue to maintain the excellence we all too easily take for granted. Thank you to the entire Stagg Yachts Team and the many officials that assist.

I would also like to thank the important and ongoing work undertaken by the Executive including Chairman Jim Richardson, Vice President Wolfgang Schaefer, Treasurer Lang Walker, Alberto Rossi, John Demourkas and at-large member Philip Tolhurst. Special mention is made of Wolfgang Schaefer who chairs the Technical Committee. Wolfgang's wealth and breadth of experience allows the Farr 40 Class to remain abreast of industry trends and technological advances. Thank you to the Executive and the Technical Committee.

The Rolex partnership with the Farr 40 Class is now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year and is the cornerstone for the Class hosting such successful international regattas and maintaining its reputation as the

premier one design class in offshore boats. On behalf of the Class, may I personally thank again, Rolex for their inspiration and ongoing support.

My wife, Lisa and I look forward to catching up with you for these coming World Championships in Long Beach both on the water and at the many social events hosted by both the LBYC and by Rolex. The song says "it never rains in southern California" and while this may not be entirely true, I can warn you that the sea breeze is more often than not, predicable for some great yacht racing under sunny skies. May I wish you all fair winds and a memorable event.

Yours in Sailing

Martin Hill President Farr 40 Class



# LONG BEACH YACHT CLUB



On behalf of the membership, Flag officers, Board of Governors and the Board of Directors of Long Beach Yacht Club, I am honored to invite you and your crew to the 2015 Rolex Farr 40 World Championship. Long Beach Yacht Club has a rich and storied history hosting international, national, regional and local regattas with a volunteer base rivaled by none. This year, we play host to several important sailing events including the defense of the San Francisco Perpetual trophy and the 51<sup>st</sup> Congressional Cup which is now part of the World Match Race Tour. We will also be supporting the Special Olympics World Games and participating in the China Cup International Regatta.

Long Beach is well-known throughout the sailing community as one of the most superior arenas in the world to compete in with her steady breeze and ultimate racing conditions. We welcome our friends, old and new, to share with us our excellent locale and the unsurpassed hospitality of our club and its membership. We have assembled an outstanding race committee afloat to ensure the effective and efficient running of the regatta and have many special events scheduled onshore to provide you with unforgettable experiences and lasting memories. We are looking forward to this marvelous showcase that will feature some of the best sailors in the world.

Long Beach Yacht Club is especially proud to host the Rolex Farr 40 World Championship. I am positive that you will have a tremendous week of racing and we all look forward to seeing you in September.

Fair winds,

John Fleishman Commodore Long Beach Yacht Club commodore@lbyc.org



# **Rolex Farr 40 World Championship 2015**

Long Beach Yacht Club 24 – 27 September Notice of Race

# 1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Farr 40 Class Association in conjunction with the Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC)

# 2 HEADQUARTERS

The Rolex Farr 40 Worlds Championship 2015 Regatta Headquarters will be at: Long Beach Yacht Club 6201 E Appian Way Long Beach, CA 90803 Tel: +1 562 598-9401 Fax: +1 562 430-8471 Email: office@lbyc.org Website: http://www.lbyc.org/ Class website: www.farr40.org

# 3 RULES

- 3.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the Farr 40 Class Rules.
- 3.2 Yachts shall comply with the 2014 2015 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4 (except that neither 4.26.4 (a & d) nor 5.01.1 (a, b & c) shall apply for this event) and Appendix 3 of the Farr 40 Class Rules. In the event of conflict, designer and manufacturers original standards shall prevail.
- 3.3 Except on a beat to windward, the boat's crew may pull in any sail any number of times in sorder to initiate or to maintain surfing or planing. **This changes RRS 42.3 (c)** and is approved by ISAF.

- 3.4 Delete the first and second sentences of RRS 44.1 and substitute the following: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty, consisting of one tack and one gybe, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, Rule 31, or Rule 42 while *racing.* However, if a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of a mark other than a starting mark, the penalty that may be taken is a Two-Turns Penalty. **This changes RRS 44.1**.
- 3.5 When leaving the dock, boats shall carry a minimum of 1.5 liters of drinkable liquid up to a maximum of 4 liters, per person per day. This liquid is included in the restrictions for moveable ballast in RRS 51, except when being consumed by a crew member.
- 3.6 In RRS 55 add the following: Bilge water, bodily fluids and biodegradable sail stops are not trash under this rule. A breach of this rule, pertaining to non-biodegradable sail stops only, is not open to protest by boats and may only be protested by the Race Committee or Protest Committee. **This changes RRS 55.**
- 3.7 In RRS 61.1(a), after the second sentence, add the following words: "The red flag shall have the minimum dimensions of 45cm x 45 cm and shall be displayed vertically from the backstay, below the F40 backstay flag (15.3)." **This changes RRS 61.1.**
- 3.8 Video, electronic data and /or photographs taken from any source shall not be used as evidence at a protest hearing or request for redress, except that Race Committee voice recordings are permitted to be used as evidence. **This changes RRS 63.6**.
- 3.9 If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR nor the SI shall change nor alter any Class Rules. **This changes RRS 63.7.**

# 4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all Farr 40 Class yachts as defined by the Class Rules. Owners, Charterers and Substitute helmsmen shall be current members of the Farr 40 Class Association and approved by the Farr 40 Class Eligibility Review Committee.
- 4.2 An ISAF Classification Commission representative will be conducting Sailor Classification interviews of sailors selected by the ISAF Classification Commission representative, the OA, the Farr 40 Class or any competitor, at Long Beach Yacht Club from September 21 23. Sailors selected will be notified by the Class the day prior to their interview and shall attend their interview at the time and place assigned them.

# 5 ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter and pay the US\$2,500 entry fee online at <u>http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=1238</u>. The entry fee includes dockage at LBYC from 1900 Sunday September 19 until 1000 Monday August 31. The entry fee covers the Farr 40 Pre Worlds on September 20 and 21.
- 5.2 The entry form shall be completed and entry fee shall be submitted no later than Monday August 31, 2015. The OA may accept an entry after this date at their discretion. A late fee of US\$500 will be due for late entries.
- 5.3 Crew lists and ISAF Sailor User IDs for all crew shall be submitted to <u>http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1238</u> no later than September 12, 2015. Designation of alternate, relief or substitute helmsmen and a copy of a valid 2015 One Design Certificate shall be submitted to Stagg Yachts no later than September 12, 2015.
- 5.4 Registration shall be completed with the OA as described below. Sail declarations may be made during registration. To be entered, a competitor shall have completed the following no later than 1600 September 23, 2015.
  - (a) Registered with the OA, including payment of all fees.

- (b) Entry Form and 2015 One Design Certificate on file with the OA.
- (c) Owner, Charterer and Substitute Helmsmen Class Membership Dues for 2015 paid and on file with Stagg Yachts.
- (d) Skipper and crew weigh-in, and liability waivers signed and on file with the OA.
- (e) Sail Declaration form on file with the OA.
- (f) Measurement forms on file with the OA.
- (g) Crew classification declared and verified on the Crew Declaration form, and on file with the OA.
- (h) All owners, tacticians and boat captains shall have signed and submitted to the OA the F40CR Appendix 10 – Yacht Owner Compliance Declaration stating that their boat fully complies with the Class Rules and that they will abide by said Class Rules while racing.
- (i) All owners and crew shall have signed the Rolex Media & Rights Waiver and Disclaimer.

#### 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Please see <u>www.farr40worlds.com</u>
  - **September 14-15** Keel and rudder templating, keel weighing and rudder checks for carbon fiber, for boats not already checked in 2015. Template checks for boats not out of the water prior to weighing will be conducted at the same time those boats are weighed.
  - September 16-18 Boat Weighing and safety/equipment inspections at a location close to LBYC to be advised. Measurement of sails and boat, and crew weigh-in will be scheduled by the Class Association. Measurements and weights are confidential to the Measurer and Class Management. Keel weights, mast weights and mast CG checks may be measured any time in 2015 prior to September 27, 2015 in accordance with Class Rule 11.2.
  - **September 18-20** Owner and Crew weigh-in (this weigh-in is for both the Pre-Worlds and World Championship) Note: There is a separate NOR for pre-worlds.
  - September 21-23 Weigh-in for Owners and Crew who did not participate in the Pre-Worlds and for replacement crews who did not sail in the Pre-Worlds. If more than four crew members are being replaced after the Pre-Worlds the Owner and all crew members must weigh-in again for the World Championship.
  - September 20 Pre-Worlds Day One
  - September 21 Pre-Worlds Day Two
  - September 19-23 Sail Measurement at LBYC 0900 1500. Only sails to be declared for the Worlds will be measured.
  - September 22 Registration at LBYC 0815 1700
  - September 23 Registration at LBYC 0815 1600
  - September 23 Mandatory Tactician's Briefing at LBYC Owners welcome
  - September 24 Quantum Sail Design Group Race Day
  - September 25 North Sails Race Day
  - September 26 Long Beach Yacht Club Race Day

**September 27** 4<sup>th</sup> Race Day

6.2 The Race Committee intends to conduct as many races as practicable on each scheduled day of racing, up to a maximum of 11 races for the Series. The Initial Warning Signal for racing each day is scheduled to be made at 1200 hours, however, no Initial Warning Signal

will be made after 1500 hours on the last scheduled day of racing.

- 6.3 Four races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 6.4 After consultation with a non-competing Class Representative, the PRO may modify the above program according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

#### 7 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 7.1 Competitors shall complete keel and rudder templating, on 14-18 September, yacht weighing and boat inspection on 16 18 September, 2015. Sail measurement, at LBYC, is on September 19 23, 2015. The Class Association will notify each yacht of its intended measurement time.
- 7.2 Yachts shall provide a minimum of two people to facilitate measurement.
- 7.3 Each yacht shall be presented for measurement in Builder's Weight condition as outlined in Class Rules (15.1 and Appendix 1), except that each yacht shall have its mast stepped, with the standing rigging and boom attached, and the halyards led to the base of the mast.

All sails and the spinnaker pole shall be removed prior to the yacht arriving for inspection. Each yacht shall arrive with its safety gear assembled in the cockpit, which will be unloaded and inspected as the yacht is weighed.

- 7.4 Each yacht may measure a maximum of 12 sails and declare 9 sails (Class Rule 25.0). Sail buttons shall be sewn on prior to measurement. All sails shall be measured and stamped by an ORC measurer on the head and be Class legal before presentation. Sails that do not meet initial measurement criteria may be re-measured once.
- 7.5 Crew will be weighed on the official scales at LBYC or Race Headquarters.
- 7.6 Random yacht and equipment inspections may be conducted prior to, between races and after racing each day to check for compliance with Class Rules, the NOR and the 2014-2015 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4.

# 8 EVENT ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Each yacht may be required to display event advertising on the bow, backstay and boom. While not racing, all yachts are strongly urged to fly the event flag from the forestay.
- 8.2 One set of bow numbers per boat will be issued and shall be displayed as specified by the OA.

# 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and at <a href="http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=1238">http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=1238</a> and <a href="http://www.farr40worlds.com">http://www.farr40worlds.com</a>

# 10 COURSES AND RACING AREA

Courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. Races will be sailed on the Pacific Ocean or the Long Beach outer harbour as determined by the OA and PRO.

#### 11 PENALTIES

- 11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed as described in NOR 3.4.
- 11.2 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules and ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4) other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Jury in consultation with the Class representative, and may be other than disqualification. **This changes RRS 64.1**.

#### 12 SCORING

Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races (no discards). Eleven races are scheduled. Completion of four races constitutes a regatta. **This changes RRS A2.** 

#### 13 INTERNATIONAL JURY

Decisions of the International Jury shall be final (RRS 70.5).

# 14 PRIZES

- 14.1 The World Cup trophy will be awarded to the yacht placing first overall, and the owner will be awarded a specially engraved Rolex timepiece. Trophies for first through fourth place overall, and for the winner of each individual race, will also be awarded.
- 14.2 The Corinthian trophy will be awarded to the top placed yacht that meets the Corinthian requirements. Trophies for the second through fourth place overall Corinthian boats will also be awarded.
- 14.3 Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

# 15 DOCKAGE

- 15.1 After boat measurement, at a location to be advised, boats shall go directly to LBYC where they shall remain unless sailing. Boats may start arriving at LBYC after 1800 hours on September 15, and all boats shall be docked at their assigned dock at LBYC by 1800 hours on September 22, where they shall remain at all times when not practicing or test sailing, racing, or transiting to and from the racecourse.
- 15.2 Should a dock at LBYC be required for a longer period, entrants shall contact the LBYC Dockmaster directly. Extended bookings will be chargeable at the current LBYC rates. Early booking is recommended. Telephone bookings must be confirmed by fax, email or post.

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15.3 Container and trailer storage will be available at Long Beach Yacht Club from 0900 hours on September 16, 2015 to 1200 hrs on September 28, 2015.

#### 16 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 16.1 Competitors' attention is drawn to the applicable Class Rule 37.1 and Interpretation 63.
- 16.2 While racing, the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) by any team or persons associated with, supporting or employed by a team, is prohibited within the area described in Class Rule Interpretation 63 and extended vertically. A breach of this rule is not open to protest by boats and may only be protested by the Race Committee, Protest Committee, or Organizing Authority.
- 16.3 Support, Coach and Media boats shall register with the OA and be issued with identification flags.

#### 17 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Yachts may be hauled out after measurement and during the regatta only with the prior written permission of the International Jury, and under such terms as they may decide. Normally, the Jury shall grant such permission only if necessary to repair damage. While hauled out, bottoms and foils shall not be sanded, polished, washed, or otherwise worked on except as permitted by the Jury in the area of repair. Hulls and appendages may be cleaned in the water.

#### 18 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

- 18.1 The Rolex Media Centre will be at Regatta Headquarters.
- 18.2 At no cost to the competitors, the OA may request the installation of onboard tracking and/or video cameras for the purposes of the official television production.
- 18.3 By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members on competing yachts grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht:
  - (a) in any media (including television, print and internet), to the Farr 40 Class Association, Long Beach Yacht Club, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, and other sponsors;
  - (b) in the "Perpetual Spirit by ROLEX" magazine, edited by ROLEX S.A., to Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies.
- 18.4 The Farr 40 Class Association, Long Beach Yacht Club, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies and other sponsors shall not use the names, voices, images, likenesses or biographical material of an owner (charterer) or crew member in a way that constitutes an endorsement of ROLEX's products unless the competitor or crew member is otherwise engaged by Rolex S.A. or affiliated companies to endorse ROLEX's products or otherwise gives his/her prior written consent to such use.
- 18.5 Owners (charterers) and crew members shall acknowledge and accept the granting of media rights referred to in this paragraph 18 by a Liability & Media Waiver provided by the OA.

#### **19 DISCLAIMER**

- 19.1 Each competitor taking part in the regatta does so at their own risk and responsibility. The owner (charterer) and each crewmember:
  - (a) acknowledges and accepts the risks (including the risk of harm to persons and property and the risks associated with the perils of the sea and the seaworthiness of any boat) associated with participation in this regatta and waives all rights against and releases the Farr 40 Class Association, Long Beach Yacht Club, the Farr 40 Management Group,

Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, other sponsors, and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members in respect of any loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, suffered in connection therewith;

- (b) acknowledges that participation in this regatta by him or her is on the basis that participation is entirely at his or her risk and responsibility and that the Farr 40 Class Association, Long Beach Yacht Club, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, other sponsors and their respective officers, employees, members, and volunteers are not responsible for any boat or its crew;
- (c) acknowledges and agrees that this form is governed by the laws of the State of California, USA and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that this regatta and all services relating thereto will be conducted or rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded.
- 19.2 Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 19.3 All competitors shall acknowledge this by signing a Liability & Media Waiver provided by the Organizing Authority.

# 20 INSURANCE

- 20.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. It is the responsibility of the owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering potential damage to persons or property.
- 20.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party insurance of minimum cover of \$1,000,000 US, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

#### 21 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

#### Long Beach Yacht Club

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#### Farr 40 Class

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Website: http://www.ayreshotels.com/

Farr 40 booking link: <u>https://bookings.ihotelier.com/Ayres-Hotel-</u> SealBeach/bookings.jsp?hotelId=12622&rateplanid=1678863

# 22 MEDIA CONTACTS

Media representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact:

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# FARR 40 WORLD CHAMPIONS

2014	PLENTY	Alex Roepers	USA
2013	ENFANT TERRIBLE	Alberto Rossi	ITA
2012	FLASH GORDON	Helmut Jahn	USA
2011	TRANSFUSION	Guido Belgiorno-Nettis	AUS
2010	NERONE	Massimo Mezzaroma	ITA
2009	BARKING MAD	Jim Richardson	USA
2008	MASCALZONE LATINO	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2007	MASCALZONE LATINO	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2006	MASCALZONE LATINO	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2005	EVOLUTION	Richard Perini	AUS
2004	BARKING MAD	Jim Richardson	USA
2003	NERONE	Mezzaroma/Migliori	ITA
2002	LE RENARD	Steve Phillips	USA
2001	ALINGHI	Ernesto Bertarelli	SUI
2000	SOUTHERN STAR	John Calvert-Jones	AUS
1999	SAMBA PA TI	John Kilroy	USA
1998	BARKING MAD	Jim Richardson	USA

# INTERNATIONAL JURY

Henry Menin (IJ) ISV – Chairman Brad Dellenbaugh (IJ) – USA Francisco Jauregui (IJ) MEX Peter Shrubb (IJ) – BER Dick Watts - USA

#### PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER

Peter (Luigi) Reggio