



Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta

April 19 - 25, 2017



Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta 2017 - Organised by the Antigua Yacht Club
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2017

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020
- 1.2 The CSA Classic Rating Rule will apply for all boats except Spirit of Tradition
- 1.3 For Spirit of Tradition boats, the CSA Rating Rule will apply

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located upstairs at The Officers' Quarters in Nelson's Dockyard

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that a change to the scheduled races will be posted no later than 2000 hours on the day before it takes effect

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff at Nelson's Dockyard

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Races are scheduled as follows:
 - Race 1 "Old Road" - Friday 21st April
 - Race 2 "Butterfly" - Saturday 22nd April
 - Race 3 "The Kenny Coombs Memorial Cannon" - Sunday 23rd April
 - Race 4 "Windward" - Monday 24th April

- 6.2 One race per day per class will be scheduled

- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start each day is 0950 hrs

7 CLASSES AND START GROUP FLAGS

- 7.1 The fleet will be divided into the following Classes (subdivided as necessary): Vintage, Classic, Traditional, Classic GRP, Spirit of Tradition, Tall Ships
- 7.2 Flags and times of Warning Signals are shown in Appendix 2
- 7.3 A coloured flag will be provided to each boat to indicate which start it is in. See Appendix 2 for start flag colours. This flag shall be displayed on a backstay or other conspicuous place
- 7.4 The Race Committee reserves the right to amalgamate, cancel, subdivide or re-arrange classes, dependent on the actual number of entries received for each class



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8 RACING AREA

8.1 Racing will take place off the South coast of Antigua as described in Appendix 1

9 COURSES

9.1 The course charts in Appendix 1 show the courses and their length, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left

10 MARKS

10.1 The course marks are orange cylinders

10.2 The Pin End Starting Mark will be an orange cylinder

10.3 There will be an inner distance mark at the start. This will be a yellow tetrahedron. Boats shall not pass between the inner distance mark and the Race Committee vessel

10.4 The Pin End Finishing Mark will be the yellow tetrahedron used as start line inner distance mark

10.5 The bearing, distance to and position of the first mark will be broadcast on VHF Channel 77. Failure to hear the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 The following area is designated as an obstruction:

The area east of a line between the Committee Boat and Blacks Point to its north will be considered an obstruction within 5 minutes of a yacht's starting time until she has started. Boats that enter this area while it is considered an obstruction will be penalized 15 minutes on elapsed time without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1

11.2 Boats that sail between the yellow inner distance mark and the Race Committee boat will be penalized 15 minutes in elapsed time without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1

12 THE START

12.1 Races will be started as follows (see Appendix 2):

10 minutes - Warning signal displayed with one sound signal

5 minutes - Preparatory signal displayed with one sound signal

1 minute - Preparatory signal lowered & one long sound signal

Start - Warning signal lowered with one sound signal

The preparatory flag will be a blue flag. This changes RRS 26.

12.2 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and an orange cylinder mark to its west.

12.3 Any boat that crosses the starting line in the direction of the course between 5 minutes and 1 minute before her start will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 29



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12.4. Any boat crossing the starting line in the direction of the course less than 1 minute from her starting signal will be considered as having started and will be penalized 5 minutes on elapsed time. Restarting is not an option. This changes RRS 29.1 and 63.1

12.5 Any boat sailing through the starting line from the course side 5 minutes or less from any start will be scored DSQ. This changes RRS 29

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and a yellow tetrahedron buoy to its west

13.2 A boat about to finish shall advise the Committee Boat of her name, by hail or VHF Ch 77 prior to crossing the finishing line

13.3 In the event the Race Committee vessel is not on station at the finish, a boat shall take its own finishing time

13.4 All boats should record their finishing time and identify the boat finishing immediately ahead and astern

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 will apply

The penalty for breaking one or more rules of part 2 while racing will be 40 percent of the number of boats starting in her class

The penalty for breaking rule 31 will be 20 percent of the number of boats in her class. This changes RRS 44.3 (c)

14.2 Except for breaches of Parts 1 and 2 of the RRS and SI's 11 and 12, the protest committee may apply any penalty that it deems equitable. This changes RRS 64.1

15 TIME LIMIT

15.1 The Time Limit will be 1800 hours for all races and classes. Any boat not finishing within the time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

16 PROTESTS

16.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Event Centre upstairs at The Officers' Quarters in Nelson's Dockyard and returned there within 60 minutes of the protesting boat's finish time

16.2 Time of protest hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board within ten minutes of a protest being filed

16.3 No measurement or rating protest may be lodged after 1800 hours on the first day of racing. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

16.4 Competitors may not protest under SI 11.1, 11.2, 12.3, 12.4 and 12.5. This changes RRS 60.1(a)



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17 SCORING

- 17.1 A boat's score will be the total of all races scored. This changes RRS A2
- 17.2 One race shall be completed to constitute a series
- 17.3 Boats electing to sail the shortened course as mentioned in Appendix 1 will be scored CZT for that day's race results
- 17.4 When the RC is satisfied that there is an error in a boat's measurements at any time of the Regatta, it will change the handicap according to the new corrected measurement and the score for all races in the Regatta will be adjusted according to the new handicap

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

All boats shall comply with the Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta Safety Requirements. Exemptions to these requirements may be granted upon a written application, prior to any racing, at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority

- 18.1 Lifelines are not required
- 18.2 While self draining cockpits are not required, in the interests of safety, the RC must be informed
- 18.3 No anchors are allowed to overhang the bow while racing

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1 A boat's equipment and measurements may be inspected at any time

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 20.1 The Race Committee may transmit and receive race information and time checks on VHF Ch 77

21 RESULTS AND PRIZES

- 21.1 Provisional results will be posted on the AYC notice board as soon as available. They can also be viewed on the ACYR website www.antiguaclassics.com

- 21.2 The Prize Structure is as follows:

a) Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each of the subdivisions, based on points per RRS Appendix 4

b) THE PANERAI PRIZES - will be awarded to the following classes:

- Vintage Class, Division A - 1st Overall
- Vintage Class, Division B - 1st Overall
- Classic Class, Division A - 1st Overall
- Classic Class, Division B - 1st Overall
- Traditional Class - 1st Overall
- Spirit of Tradition Class - 1st Overall

- c) THE PANERAI WATCH - will be awarded to the boat with the lowest total corrected time from Traditional, Vintage or Classic Class



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- d) THE MOUNT GAY RUM TROPHY - will be awarded to the winner of the most competitive class which has at least 7 entrants. The most competitive class is the class with the lowest corrected time difference between 1st and 4th place added together for each of the races. This boat will have the least total points, per RRS Appendix A. The person collecting this trophy must be over 18 years of age
- e) Overall Trophies will be awarded, on points, for each Class, as follows:
 - THE SUPERYACHTS AND SUPERMODELS TROPHY - overall winner of Traditional Class
 - THE ABORDAGE STORMY WEATHER TROPHY - overall winner of Vintage Class
 - THE ASHANTI OF SABA TROPHY - overall winner of Classic Class
 - THE ANTIGUA BOATBUILDERS AND CARPENTERS TROPHY - overall winner of Classic GRP Class
 - THE TICONDEROGA TROPHY - overall winner of Spirit of Tradition Class
- f) Trophies will be awarded, on lowest corrected time overall, as follows:
 - THE LYMAN-MORSE @ WAYFARER TROPHY - Vintage and Classic Class
 - THE NICHOLSON CARIBBEAN YACHT SALES TROPHY - lowest corrected time for a Schooner
 - THE A&F SAILS TROPHY - lowest corrected time for a boat which has been based permanently in Antigua for at least 2 years
 - THE DUNLIN TROPHY - lowest corrected time for a gaff rigged boat
- g) Lowest Elapsed Time Trophies will be awarded, on total times for the series, as follows:
 - THE KENNY COOMBS MEMORIAL TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Traditional Class
 - THE ARCHIBALD REID TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Vintage Class
 - THE ANTIGUA SLIPWAY TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Classic Class
 - THE SUNSHINE TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Classic GRP Class
 - THE ANTIGUA SAILS TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Spirit of Tradition Class
 - THE ANTIGUA CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA TROPHY - lowest elapsed time Vintage, Classic and Traditional Classes
 - THE BEKEN OF COWES TROPHY - lowest elapsed time for a Schooner
- h) The JOHN LEADER TROPHY - voted the most respected yacht by the other competitors as defined on the voting forms
- i) THE COMFORT ZONE TROPHY - overall winner of the boats that sail the shortened course as described in Appendix One for the most shortened races sailed and the lowest corrected time. (Note: boats that sail the shortened course will be scored CZT in the full course results)
- j) THE FITZROY CUP - for the Young Classic Sailor of the Year as voted for by a small sub-committee
- k) THE NICHOLSON YACHT CHARTERS TROPHY - the lowest total corrected time for a charter yacht with charterers on board
- l) THE ANN WALLIS WHITE TROPHY - largest and smallest boats, length on deck
- m) THE MARINE POWER SERVICES TROPHY - the boat with the earliest launch date
- n) THE SEAHORSE STUDIOS TROPHY - for the person or boat that exhibits the best "Spirit of the Regatta", as judged



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by the Committee

- o) THE MOST PHOTOGENIC TROPHY - for the most photogenic boat as judged by Den Phillips, Marine photographer
- p) THE PENDENNIS TROPHY – the most beautiful Spirit of Tradition boat, as judged by the Pendennis representative
- q) THE WOODSTOCK TROPHY - for the most restored boat, as judged by Woodstock Boatbuilders
- r) THE TREE HOUSE BODY SHOP TROPHY - the boat with the best-dressed crew as judged by The Tree House Body Shop staff during the Parade

20.2 Prizes awarded at the Prize Giving ceremony are final and not subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a). If mistakes are found they must be presented to the committee before 6 pm on Monday 24th of April, 2017

20.3 A list of prizes and past winners can be found in the ACYR programme

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

22.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority and the Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta Committee will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Regatta.