



GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB

2011

RUTH GORDON SCHNAPP REGATTA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), 2009 - 2012.

Competitors shall wear Personal Flotation Devices while racing. This is a change to RRS 40.

A woman must be at the helm of a competing boat at all times after the warning signal for her division. Crews can be mixed.

2. ENTRY:

The organizing authority (GGYC) is not requiring that all boats submit a valid PHRF certificate for this race but they are encouraged to do so. The SF Bay YRA, who administers the local PHRF, maintains all of the yacht racing marks on the bay and your annual PHRF renewal helps support the maintenance of the marks and makes sailing on the bay fair and more enjoyable for all race participants.

Boats that do not have a valid PHRF certificate shall be assigned a rating based on the NCPRA Base Rate Report posted on the PHRF website. In the event that your boat is not listed on the report a PHRF certificate will be required.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS:

Notices to competitors will be posted at the Golden Gate Yacht Club's official notice board located in the window on the west side of the interior entrance into the club and on the web at www.ggyc.com.

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be approved by the Race Committee and posted on the official notice board no later than 0900 hours on the day they are to take effect.

It is the intention of the Race Committee to broadcast the starting sequence on VHF radio Channel 71.

In emergencies, competitors may contact the race committee on VHF channel 71.

Signals will be displayed from the halyards on the flag pole located on the race deck of the Golden Gate Yacht Club.

4. RACE DATES:

The race date is Saturday October 22, 2011.

The Race Committee will attempt to run two races. There are no throw-outs.

5. COURSES:

The courses and marks are described on the attached Course Sheet. A code flag designating the course will be displayed with the Warning Signal from a halyard on the flag pole located on the race deck of the Golden Gate Yacht Club.

6. THE STARTING SEQUENCE:

The Warning signal is scheduled for 1130 hours. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. Times shall be taken from the visual signal. The failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

7. STARTING LINE:

The starting line shall be between buoy "X" and the orange placard on Golden Gate Yacht Club's race deck.

8. RECALLS

For RRS 29.1, the Race Committee may attempt to hail the sail number of any yacht being recalled via the public address system or on VHF Channel 71

9. THE FINISH

The finish line shall be between Buoy "X" and the orange placard on the Golden Gate Yacht Club race deck. The finish line is restricted.

10. TIME LIMIT

Each boat must start no later than 10 minutes after it's starting signal. Any boat in a division not finishing within 45 minutes of the first boat in their division will be scored as DNF.

11. PROTESTS

Protests shall be written in ink on standard US Sailing protest forms available from the Race Committee and must be lodged with the race committee within 90 minutes after the last yacht has finished.

12. SCORING:

The Low Point Scoring System RRS Appendix A will be used to score finishing boats.

Time on Distance handicap system will apply.

13. AWARDS and PRESENTATION:

Trophies will be awarded for first and second place boats in each division. A presentation to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure in Ruth Gordon Schnapps' honor will follow.

COURSE SHEET

COURSES:

DISTANCE IN NAUTICAL MILES

1	X	16S	6S			X	3.4
2	X	16P	6P			X	3.4
3	X	16S	XS	16S	6S	X	5.7
4	X	16P	XP	16P	6P	X	5.7
5	X	16S	AS	16S	6S	X	5.4
6	X	16P	AP	16P	6P	X	5.4
7	X	16S	17S	6S		X	5.5
8	X	6S	AS	18S		X	5.4
9	X	16S	18S			X	6.1
10	X	AS	18S			X	4.1

MARKS:

S = STARBOARD

P = PORT

A = YELLOW CAN "A" OUTER BUOY ST. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB

X = YELLOW AND BLUE SPHERE "X" GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB

6 = YELLOW CAN "M" 200 YDS NORTH OF FT. MASON DOCKS

2 = ALCATRAZ ISLAND

16 = YELLOW CAN "C" NM EAST OF FORT POINT (BLACKALLER BUOY)

17 = RB "HR" 1 QK FL R HARDING ROCK

18 = GR "BR" FL(2+1) G 6s BELL BLOSSOM ROCK

RESTRICTED AREAS:

- a. ACROSS THE START/FINISH LINE EXCEPT WHEN PREPARING TO START, STARTING, OR FINISHING OR WHEN "X" BUOY IS A MARK FOR THAT LEG ON THE COURSE.

STARTING ORDER SHEET

Scheduled Start	Division	Division Flag
1135 HRS	Spinnaker Division	C
1140 HRS	Non-spinnaker Division	D