Indian Harbor Yacht Club SHIELDS DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24, 2012

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*.
- 1.2 Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF channel 71.
- 1.3 The organizing authority is Indian Harbor Yacht Club ("IHYC") and Shields Fleet #2.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Shields Class that have been certified in accordance with class rules.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering on-line at www.indianharboryc.com click Regattas tab on top line, click on Other IHYC Regattas, click on Registration under the Shields Class 2012 Districts
- 2.3 The entry fee is \$135.00 per boat which includes dockage and moorings for visiting competitor boats and crew admission (up to 4 per boat) to the Shields BBQ Party Saturday post-racing (come as you are). Additional BBQ tickets may be purchased for \$25/each. For dockage and moorings directions, please contact IHYC on channel 68 15 minutes prior to arrival.

3 MEASUREMENT

Measurement is not required. However, the organizing authority reserves the right to measure or inspect any boat during the event.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available no later than 1800 on Friday, June 22 at the front desk of IHYC and on the website at www.indianharboryc.com click Regattas tab on top line, click on Other IHYC Regattas, click on Sailing Instructions under Shields Class 2012 Districts

5 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- All boats shall be in the water on Friday June 22 before 1800. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with the prior permission of the principal race officer ("PRO").
- 5.2 Dockage and moorings will be available at IHYC. See 2.3 above.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, June 23

First Warning Shields BBQ Party

Sunday, June 24

1225 First Warning

No warning signal after this time

Awards ceremony after the completion of racing on Sunday.

7 COURSES

Courses will be windward–leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters southwest of Red Nun #2 which is west of Great Captains Island.

9 SUPPORT BOATS

- 9.1 Competing boats may be towed to the racing area by a support boat before the first race of the day.
- 9.2 Other than outside help defined in RRS 41, no assistance shall be given or gear transferred between support boats and a competing boat from the warning signal of the first race until the completion of the final race of each day without prior approval from the PRO.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One completed race will constitute a series.
- 10.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races. If fewer than five races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If five or more races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3 (b).

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded following the conclusion of races on Sunday, June 24 at IHYC.
- 11.2 Prizes will be awarded to the skipper of the first, second and third place finishers.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely 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 regatta.
- 12.2 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 12.3 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Indian Harbor Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 For further information please contact Rich Hendee, email: <u>rickhendee@optonline.net</u> Telephone © 203-858-3906
- 13.2 Website: www.indianharboryc.com

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