



2017 Wet Wednesday Series

May 3 to August 30, 2017
Long Beach Yacht Club
Long Beach, CA

Notice of Race

The Wet Wednesday Series (WWS) will be hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). Long Beach Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (OA). LBYC is located at 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach CA 90803. Phone number is (562) 598-9401. Club and Event information are available at www.lbyc.org.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the PHRF of Southern California Class Rules, the One Design Class Rules of any one design class racing as a class, except as amended by this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The PHRF Area C (Long Beach and Los Angeles Harbors) RLC Ratings shall be used.
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 1.4 The OA reserves the right to amend this NOR. Any amendments to the NOR shall be posted on the WWS web page at <http://www.lbyc.org>
- 1.5 Catalina 37 Class Rule APPENDIX A 1.2 (d) and Catalina 37 Rules For Handling Boats 2.20 are amended as follows: When the spinnaker pole is being used with the jib only, it may be temporarily disconnected from the mast to facilitate deployment and gybing. All other provisions of these rules shall remain in effect.
- 1.6 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply for alternative penalties.
- 1.7 Biodegradable yarn for banding spinnakers may be discarded. **This changes RRS 55.**
- 1.8 Compliance with the current US Sailing US Safety Equipment Requirements (US SER) for Near Shore Racing are recommended.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The WWS is open to any PHRF boat with a valid 2017 PHRF of Southern California rating certificate (www.phrfsocal.org), Catalina 37, Viper 640, Cal 25, Cal 20, Soling and any other one design class submitted and approved by the OA. One design classes shall have a minimum of four (4) entries to establish a class, and may enter in PHRF if a class is not established.
- 2.2 Each boat must be entered by an individual who is a member of a yacht club or sailing association that is a Member of US Sailing (or National Authority).
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter through Regatta Network at www.regattanetwork.com
- 2.4 The ENTRY DEADLINE for each of the three (3) series shall be May 2, June 13 and July 25, 2017 at 1600 hours. Late entries will be accepted ONLY if approved by the OA.

3. FEES

\$50.00 for EACH series. \$115.00 for ALL THREE series.
LBYC Soling: \$20.00 for EACH series. \$60.00 for ALL THREE series.

4. SCHEDULE

SERIES 1		
RACE	DATE	WARNING SIGNAL
1	May 3, 2017	1755
2	May 10, 2017	1755
3	May 17, 2017	1755
4	May 24, 2017	1755
5	June 1, 2016	1755
6	June 7, 2017	1755

SERIES 2		
1	June 14, 2017	1755
2	June 21, 2017	1755
3	June 28, 2017	1755
4	July 5, 2017	1755
5	July 12, 2017	1755
6	July 19, 2017	1755
SERIES 3		
1	July 26, 2017	1755
2	Aug. 2, 2017	1755
3	Aug. 9, 2017	1755
4	Aug. 16, 2017	1755
5	Aug. 23, 2017	1755
6	Aug. 30, 2017	1755

THE PROVISIONAL TIME OF WARNING SIGNAL FOR THE SOLING CLASS 1830. SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN SI

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions (SI) and WWS Course Chart [WWCC2017] will be available at www.lbyc.org approximately one (1) week prior Series 1. Copies will also be available at LBYC. An Addendum to the SI for the Soling Class will be published prior to the first race of Series 1.

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Long Beach Harbor and in Alamitos Bay

7. COURSES

The courses will be described in the SI - WWS Course Chart [WWCC2017].

8. SCORING

8.1 There will be three (3) series. Each series will be scored separately.

8.2 RRS Appendix A2 will apply if all six (6) races are completed in a series. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If less than six (6) races are completed in a series, no scores shall be excluded. **This changes rule A2.**

8.3 Six (6) races are scheduled for each series. Two (2) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

8.4 Boats that "Did Not Finish" (DNF), "Did Not Start" (DNS), "Retired After Finishing" (RAF), were "On Course Side" (OCS) or were "Disqualified" (DSQ) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat that "Did Not Compete" (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the race.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The RC shall make every effort to broadcast course and OCS information to boats on the water on VHF Channel 68. Competitors shall monitor VHF Channel 13 when in close proximity to commercial shipping traffic.

10. PRIZES

Daily First trophies will be awarded for individual races following each race. Series trophies for each class will be awarded and based on number of entries. Series trophies will be awarded at the LBYC WWS Trophy Presentation Night on Sept. 13, 2017.

11. BERTHING

Temporary berthing will be permitted on the LBYC Long Dock. Please contact raceoffice@lbyc.org for more information.

12. ASSUMPTION OF RISK; WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

By entering this event, all racers agree to the following statement: "I understand and agree that yacht racing involves the use and operation of marine equipment in extremely close proximity to other vessels, marks, buoys, and the shoreline in varied weather conditions and differing sea states, and further, that the captains and crews aboard other vessels may not be proficient in the operation of their respective vessels. I further understand and agree that this event is organized by volunteers who are not maritime professionals and who may or may not

have formal training in vessel operation or race organization, all of which involves a substantial element of risk, including the risk of property damage or of personal injury or death. Notwithstanding these and other elements of risk and inconvenience, I wish to participate in this event because of my interest in yacht racing and the enjoyment and fulfillment that I derive from yacht racing. Therefore, in consideration of the Race Organizers (as defined below) allowing me and my crew to compete in the event described in this Race Entry Form and/or Notice of Race (the "Event"), I, of and for myself and my Vessel, and my crew, my heirs, assigns, crewmembers, partners, and agents (collectively "We"), hereby agree to accept any and all risks associated with this Event with the knowledge of the dangers and risks involved. We further agree to release Long Beach Yacht Club, including their respective owners, affiliates, officers, directors, members, employees, agents, committee persons, and race officials (collectively, the "Race Organizers"), and hold them harmless and indemnify them, from any and all disputes, actions, claims, demands, liabilities (collectively, "Incidents"), judgments, and attorneys fees which are related to or arise directly or indirectly from the activities associated with this Event (to the extent that We are involved in or participated in, or are alleged to have been involved in or participated in such Incidents), **including, without limitation, those due to the negligence, fault or other act or omission of the Race Organizers.** *US Sailing Prescription Rule 82 shall not apply to this Event.*

13. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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