

SANTA BARBARA YACHT CLUB
2009 OPENING DAY

Sunday, March 1, 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

This race will be governed by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the applicable class rules, the NOR, and by these sailing instructions. The race is designated Category A. The Marine Industry Representative rule (MIR) of PHRF will not apply.

2. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Eligible boats may register with the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than 1230 hours on the day of the race. Race entry forms are available in the back hallway of the clubhouse. Entries will also be taken via the racing page of the SBYC website (<http://www.sbyc.org/Racing.html>) for boats having completed a web entry authorization form.

2.2 Eligible competitors shall have valid PHRF Certificates, or in the case of J-24's, Melges 24's, and J-105's, shall have applicable fleet membership, sail in class legal configurations, and be equipped for Category IV Races. Valid PHRF rating certificates or proof of application for a certificate for PHRF boats must be on file with the Race Committee no later than the entry deadline for the race.

2.3 Eligible competitors for CHRF shall notify the CHRF Race Committee of intention to race by 1230 hours the day of the race.

3. SCHEDULE

1230	Registration closes
1355	First Warning
1400	PHRF start
1405	J/105 start
1410	Melges 24 Start
1415	J/24 start
1420	CHRF start

One race will be held for each fleet. There will be one start for all PHRF boats, separate starts for one design fleets, and a separate mass start for the CHRF fleet.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions are available online at www.sbyc.org/Racing.html and will be made available at registration.

5. VENUE

The racing area will be off the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. The starting line will be southwest of the entrance to Santa Barbara Harbor as shown on the current SBYC Course Chart.

6. THE COURSE

Courses will be taken from the current SBYC Course Chart. The course for each class will be posted from the SBYC Deck with the Warning signal for each class.

7. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.2, Two Turns penalty, shall be in effect.

8. SCORING

Scores shall be based on corrected times using PHRF Area A1 Buoy handicaps for PHRF and current CHRF ratings for CHRF. One design fleets shall be scored in order of finish.

9. PRIZES

The Casper PHRF Trophy will be awarded to the PHRF boat with the lowest corrected time for the race. The Casper II trophy will be awarded to the CHRF boat with the lowest corrected time for the race. The Opening Day Trophy will be awarded to the winning J-24 boat. Individual trophies will be awarded to the top finishers in each class.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

All boats are asked to monitor VHF Channel 71 for instructions from the Race Committee.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Participants in this event compete 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. INFORMATION

For further information please contact Dana Jones at SBYC, (805) 965 8112 x14, racing@sbyc.org. Information is also available at www.sbyc.org/Racing.html.