



2009 Commodores Cup

Sailing Instructions

Description

The Commodores Cup will be sailed on Sunday August 16th, 2009.

Entries

This event is open to all Ancient Mariners Sailing Society members in good standing and invited/accepted guests of the Commodore.

Classes

The following two Classes are offered:

Short Course Class	Handicap range 180 and over
Long Course Class	Handicap range under 180 (179 & under)

See Courses for description of courses.

Rules

This race will be governed by the 2009-2012 International Yacht Racing Rules (IYRR) including the prescriptions of US SAILING. **EXCEPT:** Yachts that start early will be penalized **5.0 minutes plus the amount of time they are over early**. The start sequence is described below. A penalty turn will be a 720-degree turn (Defined as a tack, jibe, tack, and jibe). Any yacht that hits a mark will be required to do a 360 degree turn. Any boat that misses a mark is required to re-round that mark to finish the course or will be disqualified. Large vessels in the channel have right-of-way. The Coast Guard rules of the road are to be followed at all times when encountering non-racing boats. Avoid collisions at all times.

Starting Area

The Starting Area for both Classes will be in the Vicinity of SD Buoy #3. It is the intention of the RC to start the race promptly per the noted timing.

Check-In

Racers are encouraged to check in w/ **S/V Pacifica** on Channel 69 on way to Starting Area.

Starting Line

The Starting Line, for BOTH Classes, will be an imaginary line, 200 yards long, from SD Buoy #3 that bears 90 degrees from SD Buoy #3. Yachts shall take SD Buoy #3 to Starboard when starting.

Start Time & Signals

The starting sequence will be executed by the S/V **Pacifica**, in the race, for both Classes will be as follows:

<u>Sequence</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>
Warning	1150	Long Blast
Predatory	1155	Long Blast
Start	1200	Long Blast

Courses

The following two Courses are offered:

Short Course (approx. 10nm to be confirmed)
Start @ SD Buoy #3 (See Starting Line Description)
SD Buoy #1 to Port
SD Navy Mooring Buoy "TG1" to Port
SD Buoy #6 to Starboard
SD Buoy #17 to Starboard (Finish) (See Finish Line Description)

Long Course (25 nm)
Start @ SD Buoy #3 (See Starting Line Description)
North Coronado Island to Port (between North Coronado Island and Middle island)
SD Buoy #3 to Port (See Finish Line Description)

Finish Line

The Finish Line for each Course will be as follows:

Short Course Finish Line

Short Course Class Finish Line is between SD Buoy #17, take to Starboard, and a visual line to the southern most Point of Shelter Island. Finish from the direction of the last mark.

Long Course Finish Line

The Long Course Finish Line is when yacht passes within 200 yards of SD Buoy #3, taking to Starboard, and crosses an imaginary line bearing 270 degrees through SD Buoy #3.

Finish Time

This is a take your own finish time race. Please note the following to assist the RC score the race:

1. Record your own finish time corrected to Pacific Bell time & call in to (619) 993-9295.
2. Record the name of the boat that finished directly ahead and finishes astern.
3. If possible note the approximate time of the ahead and astern yachts.

Changes in Sailing Instructions

Changes in these Sailing Instructions, if any, will be broadcast on the water.

Homeland Security Check-In

AMSS has given Homeland Security (HS) a preliminary list of expected Long Course entrants for the race and is working with HS to minimize the paperwork for AMSS and Long Course entrants. More detail will be provided when available.

Protests

Protests are discouraged. Yachts intending to protest must notify Pacifica of intention to Protest on Channel 69 within 2 hrs of finishing and must submit Protest on US Sailing Protest Form by 10:00am Monday August 17th to "Douglas Jones" tradbw@earthlink.net.

Social & Prizes

Post race activities will be held at the 2009 AMSS Annual Meeting & Commodores Ball at the San Diego Yacht Club on Friday December 11th.