



## 2015 Commodore's Cup/First Annual Margarita Cup

### Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Organizing Authority is the ANCIENT MARINERS SAILING SOCIETY

#### **Description**

The 2015 Commodore's Cup/Margarita Cup will be sailed on Saturday, June 6, 2015

#### **Entries**

This event is open to all Ancient Mariners Sailing Society members in good standing and invited/accepted guests of the Commodore. Eligible yachts may enter by timely completing the 2015 AMSS Commodore's/Margarita cup entry and waiver form specified in this document.

#### **Classes**

There will be 2 classes:

- Class 1:** AMSS Handicap range 180 and over
- Class 2:** AMSS Handicap range 179 and under

See Courses for description of courses.

#### **Rules**

This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, except as modified by these Sailing Instructions (SIs).

Yachts encountering non-racing vessels shall conform to the inland rules of the road. All yachts shall remain clear of, and give way to, deep draft vessels operating or at anchor or mooring in the designated channels and turning basins within the race course area. Rule 41, 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the RC may initiate a hearing against a boat infringing this instruction.

**EXCEPT:** Yachts that start early will be penalized **5.0 minutes plus the amount of time they start 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. The Coast Guard rules of the road are to be followed at all times when encountering non-racing boats. Avoid collisions at all times.

**NAVAL PROTECTION ZONE:** The Naval Protection Zone is a 500 yard regulated area of water surrounding all US Naval vessels. All yachts within 500 yards of a US Naval Vessel shall operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain safe course and speed and shall proceed as directed by any official patrol. **NO VESSEL IS ALLOWED WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A US NAVAL VESSEL.** These zones are permanently in effect.

**There will be no Skippers' meeting**

#### **Time Limit**

Any vessel not finishing by **1630 hrs will not be placed in the standings.**

**Starting Area**

The Starting Area for both Classes will be in the vicinity of La Playa anchorage. It is the intention of the RC to start the race promptly per the noted timing.

**Check-In**

Racers are encouraged to check in with RC Vessel Rendezvous (K-50) on channel when in the vicinity of the starting area.

**The Start**

All racers shall be anchored on their own anchor in La Playa Anchorage. At the sound of the start, boats in that class may weigh anchor, raise sails and begin the race.

**Start Time & Signals**

The starting sequence will be executed by the RC Vessel Rendezvous (K-50) for both Classes and will be as follows:

Sequence	Time	Signal
Warning	1150	Long Blast
Preparatory	1155	Long Blast
Start Class 1	1200	Long Blast
Start Class 2	1210	Long Blast

**Course**

There will be one course:

- Start @ La Playa
- Dolphin to Port
- SD Buoy #24 to Port
- Dolphin to Starboard
- Finish at La Playa

**The Finish:**

A boat will finish when a designated swimmer from that boat reaches shore and throws down a shot of Tequila. The Tequila will be offered by the race committee on the beach near the white dock at La Playa adjacent to the SDYC.

**Finish Time**

Will be recorded by the race committee when the shot of Tequila is taken.

**Permit to Anchor in La Playa**

All racers must comply with applicable anchoring, permit and register for a permit before 0800 on the race date with the San Diego Harbor Police. Registration may be done in advance on line at: <http://reservations.portofsandiego.org/boating/Index.asp>.

**Changes in Sailing Instructions**

Changes in these Sailing Instructions, if any, will be broadcast on the water on channel 68.

**Protests**

Protests are discouraged. Yachts intending to protest must notify the RC Vessel of intention to Protest on

Christopher.Reddin 5/13/15 7:01 PM  
Comment [1]: Don't know

Christopher.Reddin 5/13/15 7:05 PM  
Comment [2]: HMS Victory

Channel 68 within 2 hrs. of finishing and must submit Protest on US Sailing Protest Form by 10:00am Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> to John Buser [jpbuser@cox.net](mailto:jpbuser@cox.net)

**SAFETY**

Any yacht that retires from the race must notify the Race Committee. If retiring vessels cannot relay its intentions to the Race Committee boat via visual or radio (VHF channel 68), when reaching port, they must call the Race Chairperson, John Buser at 619 726-3412. Vessels are to monitor VHF channels 16 and 68. All vessels must comply with U.S.C.G. marine safety regulations and have submitted a valid (signed) Entry-Release Form.

**Social & Prizes**

Post-race activities and results will be held and announced at Koehler Kraft Boat Yard on Shelter Island immediately following the race.