



Huguenot Yacht Club
2007 Soverel 33 Nationals
28-29 July 2007

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1** The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. This changes RRS 63.7. The Organizing Authority is the Huguenot Yacht Club in conjunction with the Soverel 33 Class Association.
- 1.2** The US SAILING prescriptions to rules 40.1, 68, 76.1, and 76.3 apply and are stated in full in paragraph 14 below. No other prescriptions of US SAILING apply.
- 1.3** Boats must comply with the Soverel 33 One-Design Class Rules (ODCR -Revision May 2005) Sections III and IV. (Measurement and Membership).
- 1.4** RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored points equal to the last finisher plus 2 without a hearing.
- 1.5** RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be re-opened on the last day of racing.
- 1.6** RRS 61.1(a) is modified. A yacht intending to protest shall, upon finishing, or immediately after finishing, notify and receive acknowledgment from the Race Committee of the intention to protest, providing the name and sail number of the yacht(s) involved.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY - The regatta is open to Soverel 33 boats eligible in accordance with S33 ODCR-III.G.2 and that have completed registration and paid all fees by 1800 hrs, 27 July 2007 .

3 FEES - The entry fee is \$100 for entries received by 1800 hrs 20 July 2007. There will be a \$15 late fee for entries after this deadline and before the close of entries on 25 July. The Entry Fee will include Soverel 33 Welcoming Party on Friday Night and races on Saturday and Sunday. Transient Floating dock space will be available at HYC at no additional charge from 26 July through 30 July. Marina, slip space, if available will be \$50 per day.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1** Welcoming Party at HYC: Friday, 27 July 2007 from 1800 to 2100. Cash Bar: food and beverages.
After Race Party and Dinner: Saturday, 28 July 2007 from 1600-1900. Free Keg of Beer, Dinner Buffet \$20 per person and Cash Bar.
Annual General Meeting: Saturday, 28 July 2007 at 1900
Awards Party and Farewell: Sunday, 29 July 2007 from 1600-2100. More Beer, BBQ @ \$20 and Cash Bar.
- 4.2** Dates of racing: **Saturday & Sunday 28 & 29 July 2007.**
- 4.3** Number of Races: The Race Committee plans to run as many races as viably feasible.



- 4.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Saturday's race is **1100**. (Harbor Start 1000)
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Sunday's race is **1000**. (Harbor Start 0900)
- 5 **MEASUREMENTS** - Each boat shall comply with Soverel 33 ODCR section III.
- 6 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the the Soverel 33 Website. (www.soverel33.com)
- 7 **VENUE & COURSES**
- 7.1 The rendezvous for the start will be at Green Can "1" 0.8 nm North of Execution Rocks Light.
- 7.2 The courses will be windward – leeward with a weather offset and leeward gate if deemed necessary by the RC.
- 8 **PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 8.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed such that a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty by making One Turn including one tack and one gybe that, in all other respects, complies with RRS 44.2. However, if a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 within the two-length zone of any rounding or finishing marks, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty in compliance with RRS 44.2. RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, shall not apply. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2
- 8.2 **Arbitration** - For protests involving the rules of RRS Part 2, an arbitration meeting may be held prior to the protest hearing..
- 9 **SCORING** -The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A2, will apply. If five or more races are completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta..
- 10 **SUPPORT BOATS** - The Sailing Instructions will contain restrictions on support boats during racing, including but not limited to, a prohibition of communication with support boats from the warning signal until the boat has finished the race.
- 11 **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- 11.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.2 The race committee intends to use VHF marine radio frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS hails after starts.
- 12 **PRIZES** - The Bill Soverel Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner. Prizes will be awarded to skipper and crew for first through fourth place overall, as well as many miscellaneous awards that have nothing to do with racing or performance.



13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

14 US SAILING Prescriptions that Apply

14.1 After RRS 40.1 add: “US SAILING prescribes that every boat shall carry lifesaving equipment conforming to government regulations.”

14.2 After RRS 68 add: “US SAILING prescribes that:

(a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.

(b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.

(c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of ‘assumption of risk’ for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.”

14.3 After RRS 76.1 add: “US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.”

14.4 Add RRS 76.3: “US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6.”

15 FURTHER INFORMATION - please contact the Soverel 33 Class Secretary, Iris Vogel, at (914) 636-5654 or irisavogel@gmail.com