

MCNISH CLASSIC YACHT RACE

SPONSORED BY PACIFIC CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008*, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (USSA), and the rules of the Southern California PHRF, and by these Sailing Instructions. The following Racing rules will be changed: Appendix A4 to allow a boat starting later than 15 minutes after her scheduled start to be scored Did Not Start (DNS).

2 ENTRIES

Entries are restricted to those eligible boats per Notice of Race, that have paid their entry fee and completed a PCYC McNish Classic Yacht Race Entry form, with a skipper in attendance at the start of the skippers meeting. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Any notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at PCYC

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted promptly at the conclusion of the skippers meeting on the day of the race.

5 SIGNALS

All signals will be made from the Race Committee boat.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACE

Race is scheduled for August 2, 2008. The scheduled time of the warning signal is 1155 hours and the first start at 1200 hours.

7 CLASSES

This is a reverse start pursuit race for all entries. Classes for trophies will be announced at the skippers meeting.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area is in the area between Channel Islands and Ventura Harbours. Attachment A shows the location of racing area.

9 THE COURSE

Start, Gina to starboard, R2 to starboard, M to port, finish. Rated distance 16.5 NM.

10 MARKS

The mark Gina is an oil platform; any and all associated mooring buoys are defined as part of the mark. R2 is the Ventura red harbour entrance buoy. M is the Mandalay yellow spar buoy.

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The white buoy shoaling markers inside the detached breakwater at the finish is defined as an obstruction.

12 THE START

The start will be approximately ¼ Nautical Mile South of the Channel Islands Breakwater. Race will be started by using rule 26 for the first start; subsequent scheduled start times shall be indicated by a short sound signal. The starting line will be between an orange mark on the port end and an orange shape on the PCYC race committee boat on the starboard end. Yachts shall check in by displaying the ID number on the race packet as you cross the start line.

If over early, a yacht may restart by rounding either the race committee boat or the orange starting mark and recrossing the start line. A yacht starting early that fails to correctly restart will be assessed a 10-minute penalty plus the time prior to her scheduled start.

A yacht starting later than 15 minutes after her scheduled start time will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

13 THE FINISH

The Finish line will be between the Race Committee boat on the starboard end and “3” Green light and shape on the North Channel entrance jetty.

Yachts shall properly finish by displaying the ID number on the race packet while crossing the finish line.

The race will be deemed complete at 17:00 hours; all yachts finished after this time will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests must be submitted in writing with a \$25 fee to the Protest Committee at the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club prior to 1730 hours on the day of the race. If the protest is upheld, the \$25 will be returned. Protests shall be lodged on US Sailing standard forms, available at PCYC. It is the hope of the Race Committee that good seamanship and a spirit of fair play will prevent the need for any protests.

15 SCORING

Boats shall be scored in the order of finish.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF Channel 69 or notify the PCYC as soon as possible, but no later than arriving ashore at (805) 985-7292

17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

All race operations will use VHF Channel 69.

18 PRIZES

Individual trophies will be awarded at the conclusion of racing at PCYC at approximately 1800 hours on race day. In addition to “take-home” trophies in each class, Perpetual trophies will be awarded for Class winners, Overall Corrected Time winner, and Best Elapsed Time. Perpetual Trophies will be displayed at the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

**ATTACHMENT A
McNish Classic Yacht Race**



Start, course 205 degrees Magnetic for 3.1 Nautical Miles
 Round Gina to Starboard, course 345 degrees Magnetic for 7.4 Nautical Miles
 Round R2 to Starboard, course 161 degrees Magnetic for 2.5 Nautical Miles
 Round M to Port, course 126 degrees Magnetic for 3.4 Nautical Miles
 Finish, leave Race Committee boat to Starboard

Approximate positions of fixed marks:

Ventura Buoy	34 14.4 N 119 16.8 W
Gina	34 07.0 N 119 16.6 W
Mandalay Buoy	34 11.9 N 119 16.4 W
"3"	34 09.4 N 119 13.7 W

Please note: Not to scale or relative position; all courses and distances are approximate
Do not use for navigation purposes.