

Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club

2009 McCune Memorial Race, Pacific Corinthian Cup #1

March 28, 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This race will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* (RRS), the prescriptions of USSA, the Rules of the Southern California PHRF Fleet and the rules of any one design class competitors (except as modified by these Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 By these Sailing Instructions, the PHRF MIR rule does not apply.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club (PCYC) no later than the end of the Skipper's Meeting on March 28, 2009.
- 2.2 This is a multi-class, handicapped race. PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, One Design Classes and PCYC CHRF boats may compete. The McCune is an event in the Pacific Corinthian Cup series.
- 2.3 Competitors possessing a valid PHRF certificate are requested to submit a copy with registration. Boat entries that do not submit a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a temporary rating by the Race Committee based on available PHRF or CHRF ratings information, as applicable.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the PCYC Crow's Nest.
- 3.2 Official Starting Times will be posted at approximately 0900.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 hours on the day that they will take effect, or will be hailed on the water by the Race Committee before the first warning signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>GPS Time of First Warning Signal</u>
McCune	March 28	10:55:00

6. RACING AREA

The starting line will be in the seaward area west of the Mandalay Power Station and race courses will take place in the eastern end of the Santa Barbara Channel.

7. THE COURSE

Courses will be selected from the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart (rev 3-25-2006) and posted at the Skipper's meeting with appropriate starting times for each boat. Changes based on conditions may be announced or displayed from the RC boat during the countdown for that class.

8. MARKS

- 8.1 Marks are designated on the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart (rev 3-25-2006).
- 8.2 In the event of missing 'stationary' marks, their approximate latitude and longitude position as stated in the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart shall be used instead. No redress will be given for missing marks whose position is listed on the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart.

9. THE START

- 9.1 This race will be started using RRS 26. The "Class" flag for all boats are defined on the course chart and in this SI. The standard class flags for the region will be used. Class breaks will be assigned at the skippers meeting on the day of the race. The standard regional class flags are:
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| Class A | Yellow | Class D | Green |
| Class B | Red | Class E | Pink |
| Class C | White | Class F | Blue |
- 9.2 This will be a 'pursuit' or 'reverse' start with higher handicap boats starting before lower handicap boats. Official time will be GPS time. Class starts may be created for one-design groups of three or more. Each competitor's starting time will be calculated based on their PHRF, CHRF or assigned handicap and the length of the course as stated on the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart.

- 9.3 It is the responsibility of each boat entered to check in with the Race Committee by radio on Channel 68 prior to their start and be acknowledged to indicate that the participant is prepared to start. Channel 68 must be monitored until your boat's starting time.
- 9.4 The start will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee boat, which will be at the starboard end of the line; and the Mandalay spar, which is Mark 'M' on the 2006 PCYC McCune Memorial Race Course Chart at the port end of the line.
- 9.5 After each start, the next class flag will be raised. The subsequent start will be signified by the lowering of the class flag, and a gun or other sound may be made by the RC. The next class flag will then be raised for the next subsequent start. This sequence will continue until all boats have started.
- 9.6 Boats shall avoid the starting area until five minutes prior to their starting time.
- 9.7 If, in the sole opinion of the Race Committee, conditions at the intended 1100 HRS first start time warrant a postponement, the Race Committee shall use 24 minute increments of postponement time. Thus, per RRS 27.3 the postponement time, plus one minute, plus the new 5 minute start sequence will yield a new first start time of 1130 HRS and all subsequent starts will be calculated by adding 30 minutes to the originally posted starting times. This procedure will be continued for each postponement necessitated by the prevailing wind conditions.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee boat, which will be at the starboard end of the line and the Channel Islands Harbor green lighted GS3 marker at the port end of the line. In the event that the RC boat is missing from the finish line for any reason, the RC will announce over the VHF that either: A. boats shall take their own finish time when passing a line extending straight off the G3 jetty. Or B, boats shall be timed from land at the optional finish in the course chart.
- 10.2 Thus, the finish is on the inshore side of the Channel Islands Harbor breakwater and must be crossed from a north-westerly to south-easterly direction, having rounded the outer breakwater to starboard.
- 10.3 After finishing, boats and crew are invited to attend post race activities at PCYC. Overnight guest accommodation dock space is available at PCYC for out-of-town boats.

11. TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 The first boat in its class must finish by 1700 hours or the race may be abandoned.
- 11.2 If any yacht in a class finishes, all yachts in that class must finish by 1745 hours or be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF).
- 11.3 Notification of a Time Limit extension, if any, will be made by the Race Committee at approximately 1600 hours on Channel 68. Each boat shall confirm receipt of this communication as radio traffic permits. Boats not confirming will be hailed by the Race Committee on Channel 68 in an attempt to confirm receipt. Non-receipt of this radioed information is not a basis for re-dress.
- 11.4 If you are not going to finish the race for any reason, please notify the Race Committee of your DNF on Channel 68.

12. PROTESTS

Protests, if any, shall be lodged using USSA standard forms available at the PCYC front lobby desk and delivered to the event chairperson within one hour of the last boat's finish.

13. SCORING

Yachts will be scored in order of finish within their class and/or rating band by the low point system.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION/ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTATION

- 14.1 All entered boats must carry a VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channels 16 and 68. The Race Committee will monitor channel 68 for the duration of the race.
- 14.2 After starting, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in case of emergency or to confirm a Time Limit extension by the Race Committee.
- 14.3 All boats entered should carry an operating GPS in order to have official GPS time for starting purposes. If not otherwise occupied, the RC may make a sound signal for the start time of a boat.

15. AWARDS

- 15.1 The McCune Perpetual Trophies will be engraved as follows:
- First to finish in the Spinnaker Class(es) includes all Spin PHRF and Spin One Designs
 - First to finish in the Non-Spinnaker Class(es) includes all Non-Spin PHRF and PCYC CHRF
- 15.2 Keeper trophies will be awarded for the first three places in each class and/or class handicap band.
- 15.3 Results will be reported for scoring in the Pacific Corinthian Cup Low Point Series and the Ventura County High Point Series.