



SILVER GATE YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE
2nd Annual
JANE SWETT REGATTA
Saturday, April 8, 2017

First warning – 10:55 am; First start – 11:00 am

1. Rules

- 1.1 This race shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including US Sailing prescriptions, this Notice of Race, and individual Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The PHRF MIR rule is not in effect for this race.
- 1.3 International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea or government right-of-way rules shall replace Section 2 of RRS between the hours of sunset to sunrise, Pacific Standard Time. Attention is called to RRS Rule 48 concerning fog signals and lights.
- 1.4 All fleets racing in this regatta will work in conjunction with SGYC, and SGYC will act as the race committee under Part 7 of the RRS.
- 1.5 RRS rule 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: “However, discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail is permitted.” Racers remain responsible for compliance with all applicable state and federal laws. Federal law defines marine debris as “any persistent solid material that is manufactured or processed and directly or indirectly, intentionally or unintentionally, disposed of or abandoned into the marine environment” (33 USC 1956).
- 1.6 U.S. Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply. RRS 28.1, 28.2, 44.1, A4, A5, and A11 are modified.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 This race is open to any sail boat that is a member of Silver Gate Yacht Club, San Diego PHRF, Southern California PHRF, San Diego Catalina Association (SDCatA), or the San Diego multi-hull fleet.
- 2.2 A minimum of 3 boats must entered in a class to score that class separately.

3. Entry and Fees

- 3.1 There is no entry fee for SGYC Family, SDCatA, and San Diego Multihull fleet entries. PHRF classes have an entry fee of \$25, \$20 for US Sailing members.
- 3.2 Eligible boats intending to race must register with the SGYC office at (619) 222-1214 **no later than 1700 on the Thursday prior to the race**. Please make sure to complete the entry form and supply any appropriate fee.

4. Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 Official Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the SGYC web site (see below) no later than 1700 on the Friday before the race. Provisional Sailing Instructions may be emailed or posted to the web site before that time.



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5. Changes to Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 Silver Gate Yacht Club reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race and/or the Sailing Instructions for this regatta.
- 5.2 Amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted to the web site no later than 1700 on the Friday before the race.

6. Racing Area and Courses

- 6.1 The race course used for this regatta includes north San Diego bay, proceeding outbound to the north Coronado Island, and returning to San Diego bay.
- 6.2 The start/finish line will be in San Diego Bay in the vicinity of buoy 9.

7. Starting Times

- 7.1 The first warning signal is scheduled for 10:55 AM. The R/C may choose to cancel or combine starts as necessary.
- 7.2 The warning signal for each fleet will be 5 minutes prior to the respective start time.

8. Classes

- 8.1 The following classes will be racing:
 - SGYC Family Fleet
 - San Diego Catalina Association Fleet
 - PHRF Spinnaker
 - PHRF Non-Spinnaker
 - San Diego Multihull

9. Safety

- 9.1 International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea or government right-of-way rules shall replace Section 2 of RRS between sunset and sunrise. Attention is called to RRS 48 concerning fog signals and lights.
- 9.2 It is the sole responsibility of the skipper of each yacht to decide whether or not to start and/or continue to race.
- 9.3 The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the "person in charge," as per RRS 46, who shall ensure that the boat is seaworthy and sailed by an experienced crew with sufficient ability and experience to face bad weather. The person in charge shall be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails, and all gear. The person in charge shall ensure that all safety equipment is at all times properly maintained and safely stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.
- 9.4 The US Sailing's Safety at Sea Committee describes the gear requirements to be used on sailboats when racing. See US Sailing Coastal Safety Gear Requirements for required gear (as modified by Attachment A): <http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/Offshore/SAS/USSER2015.0.pdf>
- 9.5 Note that SGYC intends to provide relief from US Sailing Coastal Gear Requirements for 2016 to permit skippers to bring their yachts into full compliance by the 2017. See US Sailing Nearshore requirements: <http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/Offshore/SAS/USSER2015.0.pdf>
- 9.6 Each participating yacht shall carry at least 1.5 times the minimum fuel it requires to return, at maximum rated engine speed, from the furthest point on the course to the nearest emergency services.



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10. U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

- 10.1 Customs clearance at the Shelter Island dock is not required by yachts of American registry that are properly entered in the race, do not terminate the voyage in Mexican waters, or do not make contact with another vessel while in Mexican waters. Such vessels are not considered by U.S. Customs to have left the United States.
- 10.2 Yachts not complying with 10.1 above must comply with U.S. Customs procedures for arrival from a foreign port on their own.
- 10.3 The UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), Section 3 addresses “innocent passage”. http://www.un.org/Depts/los/convention_agreements/texts/unclos/closcont.htm
- 10.4 Yachts not complying with the definition of “innocent passage” in UNCLOS Article 19 while sailing in Mexican waters must comply with Mexican procedures and regulations on their own.

11. Awards Presentation and Trophies

- 11.1 Awards for the regatta will be presented at the race party held at 2:00 pm on Sunday, **April 9th**, or as soon after that time as possible, at SGYC. Unless otherwise noted the presentations will take place on the upstairs front patio.

12. Disclaimer of Liability

- 12.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 – Decision to Race. Organizing Authority (Silver Gate Yacht Club) 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.
- 12.2 By competing in this regatta, the competitor acknowledges these risks and assumes responsibility for their participation in races or for any outside assistance received before, during or after competition. They agree to comply with all rules and regulations of US Sailing and other rules under which this regatta is sailed and agree to abide by the decisions of the race committee.

SGYC Web Site: <http://www.sgyc.org/main/SGYCActivities/BoatingActivities.aspx>

For additional information, please contact:

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Jason Flar – Sailing Fleet Chair – jflar@outlook.com

Larry Hinck – Fleet Captain – lhinck@earthlink.net



Attachment A

US Sailing Coastal Safety Equipment is required for the Jane Swett Regatta in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.

USS Coastal and Near Shore Requirements can be found here:

<http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/Offshore/SAS/USSER2015.0.pdf>

The following relief is granted from the Coastal Equipment Requirements:

- 2.1.2 – Hatch **tethers** *not required but recommend (hatch/companionway covers required: currently installed hatches satisfactory if they provide protection from water entering the boat)*
- 2.4.4 – Lifelines –lifelines are required *existing installation is satisfactory*
- 2.5.1 – Primary operating bilge pump required: *currently installed bilge pump/switching/drainage/capacity satisfactory*
- 3. Personal & Deck Emergency equipment requirement: **all listed items required onboard**
- 3.1.1 – PFD Crotch/leg straps *not required but recommended*
- 3.1.4 – Safety Harness & Tether required to be available for all crew leaving the cockpit. Harness/Tethers for the entire crew *is recommended*
- 3.31 – Boat/crewmember names & reflective tape *not required but recommended*
- 3.6.1 – Orange smoke flares *not required but USCG certified recommended*
- 3.6.2 – Parachute flares *not required but USCG certified recommended*
- 3.6.3 – Hand-held flares required: *non-expired USCG certification is satisfactory (SOLAS certification recommended). All yachts must meet the USCG onboard handheld flare requirements*
- 3.7.1 – Man overboard (MOB) rescue device required: *self-igniting lighting required. Only one self-igniting light for man-over-board rescue device required per vessel.*
- 3.7.2 – MOB pole with self-igniting light required - *drogue chute not required but recommended*
- 3.8.1 – VHF marine radio required: *DCS capability recommended (currently installed radio/location/switching in proper operating condition satisfactory)*
- 3.8.2 – Handheld backup VHF radio required: *DCS capability recommended*
- 3.16.2 – EPIRB/PLB *not required but recommended*
- 3.18 – Depth Sounder required *current installation satisfactory*
- 3.22 – Emergency plugs all thru-hulls required on board - *soft plugs not required but recommended (existing hard or soft plugs satisfactory)*
- 3.27 – One (1) two-gallon bucket required *2nd bucket recommended*
- 3.31 – All specified Gear Identification *not required but recommended*
- 3.33 – Boats shall have a means to reduce main sail area (currently used method & reduction percentage satisfactory)
- 4.3.2 – Safety at Sea training *not required but highly recommended*



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Entry Form

Yacht Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Skipper: _____ Yacht Club/Affiliation: _____

Boat Mfg: _____ Length: _____ Beam: _____

PHRF San Diego Off-wind Rating: _____

CLASS(es) Entered: SGYC FAMILY SDCatA San Diego Multihull

SGYC PHRF CYC PHRF PHRF SPIN PHRF Non Spin

PHRF Entry Fee: \$25 per boat - \$20 for US Sailing members (US Sailing Member# _____)

Mail Entry to: **Silver Gate Yacht Club**
Jane Swett Regatta Entry
2091 Shelter Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92106

I certify that the rating entered herein is valid and current and that I will sail in accordance with this rating. I agree to comply with all the rules and regulations of the sponsoring Yacht Clubs, the IYRU, the USSA, the USCG, the fleet entered, and any other instructions under which this race or regatta is sailed.

I acknowledge that I am entering the race at my own risk and that it is my sole and exclusive responsibility to decide whether or not to start or to continue the race. I represent that my yacht is in good condition, seaworthy, and fully complies with the equipment, rules, and regulations of the fleet in which it is entered.

I hereby indemnify and hold SGYC, their Officers, Directors, and Committee persons harmless of any liability or any nature whatsoever for accident or injury to myself, my crew, my guests and/or my boat while racing or engaging in any activities related thereby, to the extent that such release does not discharge my insurance carrier under the provisions of the insurance policy(s) covering my yacht. I assume all risk of damage to property or injury to persons arising out of my participation in the race or regatta and related activities.

I further agree to notify SGYC immediately upon withdrawal from the race and not to sail in hazardous conflict with commercial shipping.

Owner/Skipper (Print) _____

(Signature) _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: Day (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____

Evening (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

ENTRY FORMS THAT ARE INCOMPLETE or ILLEGIBLE MAY BE REJECTED.

For information contact: **Larry Hinck** (FleetCaptain@sgyc.org)