



THE YRA SEASON CLOSER

September 24th & 25th, 2011, Amended 9/21

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- 1.0 **RULES:** The races will be governed by the rules as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the YRA *Standing Sailing Instructions*, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.
- 2.0 **ENTRIES:** The regatta is open to all qualified yacht owners who are sailing members of YRA, or have paid a one-time entry fee for this YRA event, and whose division or class is listed in the starting sequence.
- 3.0 **SATURDAY START/FINISH:** Start is between an orange panel on the CYC clubhouse and an inflatable mark. First warning is at 1055. See Attachment 1 for starting sequence.

4.0 **SATURDAY COURSE AND MARKS:** See Attachment 1 for Description of Marks.

COURSE	START	MARK	MARK	MARK	FINISH	DIST
1	S/F	YRA 2 – P	YRA 1 – P	Y - P	S/F	Approx 21 nm
2	S/F	YRA 16 – P	YRA 2 – P	Y - P	S/F	Approx 16 nm
3	S/F	YRA 2 – P	SSH	Y - P	S/F	Approx 12 nm

- 4.1 Marks YRA16, SSH, YRA2, and YRA1 are rounding marks. Mark Y is not a rounding mark but must be left on the indicated side.
- 5.0 **SATURDAY TIME LIMIT:** All yachts not finishing by 1900 hours shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35. Boats retiring from the race or not finishing within the time limit must notify the race committee by VHF or by message left at 415-WET-SALT (415-938-7258).
- 6.0 **SUNDAY START/FINISH:** Between an orange panel on the CYC clubhouse and an inflatable mark, **see Attachment 2**. The first warning is at 10:55:00 am. This is a reverse start pursuit race, with the individual start time for each boat based on its PHRF or Multihull PHRF rating. The highest rated boats will start first. **Individual start times will be posted on the YRA website on Friday, September 23rd and will be available at the CYC Clubhouse Saturday, September 24th, after the races are complete.** This modifies RRS 26 and YRA Standing Sailing Instructions Article 9.0.
- 7.0 **SUNDAY OCS** – During the Sunday “Crazy 8” race, If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment crosses the starting line during the five minute period before its designated start time, It will receive a 15 minute penalty without a hearing (this modifies RRS 63.1 and A5); and It will not need to return to start properly, but shall proceed to sail the course. This modifies RRS 28.1 and 29.1. No recall signals or hails will be made. This modifies RRS 29.1, 29.2.
- 8.0 **SUNDAY COURSE AND MARKS:** All fleets will be sailing the “Crazy 8” Pursuit race. See Attachment 2 for Descriptions of Marks. **Skippers can choose to sail either course 1 or course 2. All marks taken as indicated**

START	MARK	MARK	MARK	MARK	FINISH	DIST
S/F	YRA 12p	YRA 2s	Angel p	YRA 12s	S/F	12.0 nm
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- 9.0 SUNDAY TIME LIMIT:** All yachts not finishing by 1900 hours shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35. Boats retiring from the race or not finishing within the time limit must notify the race committee by VHF or by message left at 415-WET-SALT (415-938-7258).
- 10.0 COMMUNICATIONS:** On Saturday and Sunday, the Race Committee may provide pertinent information on VHF Channel 71. The inability of a competitor to hear a hail for OCS or any other information shall not relieve her of her responsibility to start or sail correctly, nor shall it be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 25 and 63.1. **RADIO CHECK IN IS NOT REQUIRED OR ACCEPTED.** Boats are also encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 14 for updates on large vessel traffic.
- 11.0 RESTRICTED AREAS, HAZARDS, ETC:**
- 11.1** Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of any boat whose preparatory signal has been made. Boats shall not cross the Start line except when preparing to start or starting. Boats observed by the race committee to be in violation of this instruction will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 12.0 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY:**
- 12.1** Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with USCG Navigation Rules. If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and the vessel or the Coast Guard identified the boat by sail number, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated USCG Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by VTS or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 61.3. Compliance with RRS 60.2(a) shall not be required.
- 12.2** A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V (a white square with a red X) at the offending boat. The signaled boat shall comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- A boat may be penalized under SI 12.1 even if it does not violate SI 12.2, and a boat may be penalized under SI 12.2 even if it does not violate 12.1. A violation of any part of SI 12 may not be exonerated by a Scoring Penalty. A disqualification under any part of SI 12 shall not be excludable under RRS A2 for boats sailing a YRA series. The CYC will cooperate with and provide information relevant to any investigations of impeding passage or violation of USCG Navigation Rules by the Coast Guard or other governmental authority.
- 13.0 SCORING:** The Race Committee reminds participants it is their responsibility to note their finish times, other boats finishing near them and the order of finish to assist in the event of omission or error in recording. Boats penalized 'without a hearing' may petition for redress if the penalty is believed applied in error.
- 14.0 PROTESTS:** In accordance with YRA Standing Sailing Instructions, except that Protests must be written on US Sailing Protest forms and postmarked or electronically transmitted (fax or email) to the YRA office by **Tuesday, September 26, 2011.**

ATTACHMENT 1 – Saturday September 24, 2011

The Island Tour Regatta

Starting Sequence & Description of Marks

Starting Sequence – Race Committee will be on Channel 71

Division/Class	Class Flag		Time
<i>Warning</i>			1055
Multihulls	R		
PHRF 1 (69 & Under)	A		
Sportboat 1 (69 & Under), Sport Boat 2	E		
Express 37	F		
PHRF 2 (72 to 96)	C		
PHRF 3 (99 to 114)	H		
Santana 35's, SF 30's	D		
PHRF 4 (117 to 135)	J		
Express 27's	Q		
PHRF 5 (138 & Up)	K		
Shorthanded, SF 180's, Alerion Express 28's	T		
Islander 36, Non-Spinnaker	O		
Santana 22's	W		

Description of Marks

Mark	Description
S/F	Line between orange panel on CYC clubhouse and inflatable mark
Y	Elephant Rock, Temporary inflatable S of Pt. Tiburon
YRA 1	Red Rock Island
YRA 2	Alcatraz Island
YRA 16	Blackaller Buoy, East of BB Bridge South Tower
SSH	Southampton Shoals Platform

ATTACHMENT 2 – Sunday, September 25, 2011

The “CRAZY 8” Race

Description of Marks & Starting Sequence

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Mark	Description
S/F	Line between orange panel on CYC clubhouse and inflatable mark
YRA 2	Alcatraz Island
YRA 12	G “1” Fl G4s, Little Harding Rock
Angel	Angel Island

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