South Shore Yacht Club
Notice of Race

Crew of 2 Around Catalina Yacht Race
July 23-24, 2016
Newport Beach, CA

1. RULES
   1.1. This race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016 including US Sailing Prescriptions and in the Sailing Instructions posted on the South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC) website www.southshoreyc.com.
   1.2. The Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Southern California (PHRF) Marine Industry Racer (MIR) rule shall not apply to any fleets in this event.
   1.3. All boats must meet US Coast Guard safety requirements appropriate to their vessel.
   1.4. All PHRF mono-hulls shall comply with the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) which can be found at http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/Offshore/SAS/USSER2015.0.pdf
   1.4.1 The US Sailing (USSER) requirement 3.6.1 for SOLAS flares is changed to allow boats entered in the Crew of 2 race to carry U.S. Coast Guard required flares.
   1.4.2 The US Sailing (USSER) requirement 3.8.2 for a handheld radio has been modified to omit the requirement for DSC/GPS capability.
   1.4.3 The US Sailing (USSER) requirement 3.1.1 for crotch or leg straps to be attached to Personal Flotation Devices will be waived for the 2016 race.
   1.4.4 The US Sailing (USSER) requirement 2.4.4 will be changed by adding 2.4.4.1. For the 2015 Crew of 2 race, the lifelines may be the same as those supplied by the original equipment manufacturer.
   1.4.5 The US Sailing (USSER) requirement 4.3.2 safety at Sea Training will be changed by replacing the existing phrase, “required after 01/01/2016” with the new phrase, “required after 01/01/2017”.
   1.5. All multihulls shall comply with their class equipment list: specifically, the ORCA Ocean Racing Catamaran Equipment list.

2. ADVERTISING
   2.1. Competitor advertising will be restricted as follows: ISAF Regulation 20.9 will be modified to allow advertising of a company if the boat owner and skipper are the major shareholders of the company advertising.
   2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organizing Authority is accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.

3. FLEETS AND CLASSES RACING
   3.1. The following fleets are invited to participate in this race:
      3.1.1. The Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Southern California (PHRF), which may be split into individual classes. Boats electing to sail non-spinnaker will have the boat's non-spinnaker offset applied and placed in the appropriate PHRF of Southern California Class.
      3.1.2. The Ocean Racing Catamaran Association (ORCA).
      3.1.3. All boats shall have only two persons on-board. This changes PHRF of Southern California Class Rule 10.5. Only double-handed entries are permitted.
      3.1.4. All female crew boats will race in their assigned class. Additionally, these boats will be scored against each other. All female crew shall have only females on board.
      3.1.5. Two (2) entries may constitute a class, but does not guarantee a separate start. Final classes will be announced after the entry deadline 1700 hours Wednesday, July 20, 2016.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
   4.1. All boats shall have a minimum Length Overall (LOA) of 18 feet.
   4.2. All boats racing around the island shall have a current, valid PHRF Rating issued by the fleet handicapping authority of the classes in which they are competing. A PHRF Rating is required for the Ship Rock course. Handicapping will use PHRF Base Random Leg Course (RLC) rating for scoring.
      4.2.1. Any boat that has its rating changed after submitted an Entry Form shall notify SSYC regarding a new PHRF Rating as soon as possible, but in no case later than 1700 hours Wednesday, July 20, 2016, and shall contact SSYC at (949) 349-9322 to determine its appropriate class based on the new rating. Any boat whose PHRF Rating is changed after 1700 hours Friday, July 22, 2016 shall race under its original PHRF Rating.
   4.3. The entry fee is $80.00; which includes two "Crew of 2 Around Catalina" commemorative t-shirts for the skippers. Entry forms and fees may be sent to SSYC, P.O. Box 1174, Newport Beach, CA 92659. Make checks payable to South Shore Yacht Club. You can also pay by credit card on line at www.southshoreyc.com.
   4.4. A completed Entry Form, Entry Fee, and must be received by SSYC no later than 1700 hours Wednesday, July 20, 2016, except as permitted at the sole discretion of the Race Chair.
   4.5. SSYC reserves the right to refuse entry to boats under Rule 76.1 (Exclusion of boats or competitors).

4.6. There will be a Reception at South Shore Yacht Club, 1099 Bayside Drive, Lower Level, on Friday, July 22nd at 6:30 PM to pick up commemorative "Crew of 2 Around Catalina" t-shirts.

5. SCHEDULE OF THE RACE

5.1. The warning signal for the first start is scheduled for 10:55 hours PST on Saturday, July 23rd, 2016 with the first start to be at 11:00 AM PST. US Sailing RRS 26, five (5) minute start sequence will be used for all starts. See the Sailing Instructions for details.

6. INSPECTIONS

6.1. SSYC may inspect any boat that has finished the race for compliance of rules for their respective class as set forth in this NOR 1.3 through 1.5.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on the SSYC website, www.southshoreyc.com under Racing no later than Friday, July 1st, 2016.

8. THE COURSE

8.1. There will be TWO courses to choose from:

8.1.1. Around Catalina Island PHRF and ORCA racers will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport Beach, CA and sail around Catalina Island, leaving Catalina Island to port, and returning to the Balboa Pier. For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 90 nautical miles.

8.1.2. Around Ship Rock racers will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport, CA and sail around Ship Rock, just north of Isthmus Harbor, Catalina, leaving Ship Rock to port, and returning to the Balboa Pier. For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 63 nautical miles.

9. START AND FINISH LINES

9.1. The Start Line will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the inflatable orange buoy located approximately 200 yards south of the Balboa Pier.

9.2. The Finish Line will be between two orange buoys located approximately 200 yards south of the Balboa Pier.

10. TIME LIMIT

10.1. Race Committee personnel will record times and a sound a finish horn from Balboa Pier until 1700 hours, Sunday, July 24th, 2016 for the Catalina Island and Ship Rock courses. After 1700 hours, racers may take their own times when within 200 yards of Balboa Pier and call their finish time in to be scored by the Race Committee at (949) 349-9322.

11. PRIZES

11.1. Both skippers will receive "Take Home" trophies. A 2-boat class will awarded one trophy. A class of 3-5 boats will receive first and second place trophies. A class of 6 or more boats will receive first, second and third place trophies. There are 8 Perpetual Trophies to be awarded. Trophies will be awarded after the race

on Sunday, July 24, 2016 at the SSYC/NBYC clubhouse, 1099 Bayside Drive (entrance to the Balboa Island bridge), Lower Level, Newport Beach, CA. Presentations will begin by 1900 Hours. Refreshments will be served.

12. INSURANCE

12.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid combined single limit watercraft liability insurance in an amount not less than $300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of $100,000.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1. Competitors participate in this Race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 (Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after this Race. Each boat owner must sign a race entry form releasing all liability on the race organizers, their sponsors, contractors and anyone affiliated with the event.

14. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

14.1. By participating in the Crew of 2 Event, a competitor automatically grants to the organizers and its sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show from time to time at their discretion, any and all still or motion pictures and live, or recorded television and other reproductions of participant or vessel without compensation.

15. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

15.1. South Shore Yacht Club reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Any Amendments made will be posted on the SSYC website. The Notice of Race and any Amendments will be available at South Shore Yacht Club at selected times.

16. CONTACT INFORMATION

16.1. The South Shore Yacht Club Race Committee may be reached at 949-349-9322. Any boat taking a DNF in this event **MUST** notify the Race Committee at the number above.