

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## THE 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MILT INGRAM TROPHY RACE

### JULY 7, 2018

Organizing Authority: Pierpont Bay Yacht Club, Ventura, California phone 805-644-6672

1. **RULES:** This race will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*. The PHRF Marine Industry Racer (MIR) rule is not in effect. This modifies PHRF Class Rule 8. The Deed of Gift for the Milt Ingram Perpetual Trophy takes precedence over any other document in the event of conflict. This race is designated US Nearshore as specified in the US Sailing Safety Equipment Regulations (USSER). See paragraph 16.1 for modifications to the USSER.

2. **ENTRIES:** Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with PBYC.

**2.1 PHRF CLASSES** Random Leg Course PHRF ratings with area A adjustments will be used. Entry into the Milt Ingram Trophy Race is governed by the Deed of Gift, which states, "All yachts shall be eligible to compete for trophies within their classes regardless of yacht club membership or handicap certification. However, eligibility to win the MILT INGRAM TROPHY RACE perpetual trophy is limited to those who are members of SCYA or USYRU (sic) member yacht clubs and who have valid handicap certificates." Boats without a valid handicap will be assigned a temporary handicap for this race only by the RC using PHRF ratings as a guideline.

**2.2 OFFSHORE MULTIHULL CLASS** This class is intended for ocean-going catamarans and trimarans. Membership in ORCA is not required. Boats without a valid handicap will be assigned a temporary handicap for this race only by the RC using ORCA TCF ratings as a guideline.

**2.3 BEACH CATAMARAN CLASS** This class is intended for catamarans such as Hobies, Nacras, Prindles, etc. The Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System will be used to handicap these boats.

3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS :** Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board located on PBYC's deck.

4. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS :** Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on Saturday, July 7, 2018.

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACE:** The start signal for the first class is scheduled for 1100 hours on Saturday, July 7, 2018.

6. **CLASSES** : Class breaks will be announced at the skippers meeting at PBYC at 0830 hours on July 7, 2018.

**6.1 Established Classes:** There will be one or more PHRF-handicapped spinnaker, one or more PHRF-handicapped non-spinnaker, one offshore multihull class, and one or more Beach Catamaran classes. Mates' Trophy, Tom Spurgin Memorial, Classic Yacht, and Woman Skipper entrants compete for class trophies within their assigned classes, and are also scored against one another for those special trophies. See para. 18.

**6.2 Class Flags:** Class flags will be solid color as described below. Class assignments will be announced at the Skippers' Meeting at 0830 on race day.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
A	red
B	white
C	green
D	yellow
E	blue
F	purple

7. **THE COURSE:** From the START at the Mandalay Spar Buoy, proceed to Platform Grace then to Anacapa Island, leaving them to port, **leave the Ventura Harbor w histle buoy "R2" to starboard** , and FINISH in the Ventura Harbor entrance channel. The handicap distance is 42 nm. The approximate magnetic bearing from

START to Platform Grace is 248°. Mooring buoy(s) associated with Platform Grace are considered marks of the course. Such buoys shall be passed on the same side as Platform Grace.

## 8. MARKS:

- 8.1. Mandalay Spar Buoy: 34° 12.0' N, 119° 16.5' W.
- 8.2. Platform Grace: 34° 10.8' N; 119° 28.1' W.
- 8.3. Anacapa Island
- 8.4. R2 "Whistle Buoy: 34° 14.4' N, 119° 16.7' W.

## 9. **SHORTEN COURSE** : THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY TO THE BEACH CATAMARAN CLASS.

Based on progress of the Beach Catamaran Class and on the sailing conditions, the Race Committee may shorten the course at Platform Grace or at the west end of Anacapa Island. The shortened course will be signaled by a Race Committee boat, which will display the "S" flag (blue square in center of white background) in the vicinity of Platform Grace or the west end of Anacapa Island. If displayed at Platform Grace, the Class shall round the platform, leaving it to port, then proceed to the finish in Ventura Harbor, leaving the Whistle Buoy to starboard (~054° M, ~11 nmiles). If displayed at the west end of the Island, the Class shall round the RC boat, leaving it to port, then proceed to the finish in Ventura Harbor, leaving the Whistle Buoy to starboard (~018° M, ~16 nmiles). The RC reserves the right to cancel or abandon the race for the beach cat class for safety reasons. Entry fees will be refunded if the RC cancels or abandons the race. All decisions of the RC are final, not debatable, not protestable.

10. **CHECK IN:** Entrants shall check in with the Race Committee by VHF radio on channel 69 or by hailing as the boat sails past the Race Committee boat prior to their start.

## 11. THE START:

11.1 The Race will be started using Rule 26. The order of starts will be announced at the skippers meeting. Note: there will be a pre-warning signal consisting of multiple horn blasts 1 minute before the warning signal for the first start. The RC will attempt to start the classes with no delay between the start of one class and the warning for the next class. In this case there will be only one sound signal indicating the start of one class and the warning for the next class.

11.2 The starting line will be located between the course side of the Mandalay Spar Buoy as the port-side mark, and an orange flag mounted on the Committee Boat as the starboard-side mark.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

## 12. RECALLS :

12.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Rule 29.1 [code flag "X" and 1 sound signal].

12.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with Rule 29.2 [code flag "first substitute" and 2 sound signals].

## 13. THE FINISH:

13.1 The FINISH shall be in the Ventura Harbor entrance channel on a line between the seaward-most palm tree on the starboard (south) shore, and a statue on the port shore. See Figure 1 on page 4.

13.2 The first finisher is requested to notify the RC when approximately 1 hour from the finish to allow the RC time to man the finish line. If the RC is not on station, boats shall record their own finish times and report times to the RC. The finish line will be manned until 2200 hours on July 7<sup>th</sup>. After that time boats shall record their own finish times and report times to the RC. Boats finishing after dark are advised to illuminate their sail number for identification and hail the RC for acknowledgement. The RC will monitor VHF Channel 69 throughout the race.

13.3 **Spinnakers shall be struck at the elbow of the detached breakwater (where it angles out to seaward from its approximately north-south orientation). See Figure 1 on page 4. Any boat sailing beyond this point with a spinnaker set will be scored DSQ by the RC.** This changes Rules 63.1 and A5.

14. **RETIREMENT** : Boats that retire from the Race are required to inform the RC as soon as possible after retiring. PBYC's phone number is 805-644-6672. The RC's cell phone number is 805-444-0223.

**15. PROTESTS** : Protests shall be written on forms available at PBYC and lodged there within 2 hours of the finish of the protesting boat or within 2 hours of her return to harbor if she retires. The protest committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt beginning at 0800 on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at PBYC.

**16. SAFETY EQUIPMENT:**

**16.1** All PHRF handicapped classes shall carry the safety equipment specified by the U.S. Safety Equipment Requirements for U.S. Nearshore Races (Definition 1.0.3). Refer to: [https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/US\\_SER\\_2018.0\\_Categories.pdf](https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/US_SER_2018.0_Categories.pdf), which is also available on PBYC's web site, [www.pbyc.org](http://www.pbyc.org). In addition, lifeline requirements 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 apply with the exception that coated lifelines are permitted. The minimum number of persons aboard shall be two.

**16.2** Offshore multihull class boats shall carry safety equipment as specified by ORCA Bylaws Section 6.

**16.3** All Beach Catamaran class entries shall meet the following requirements:

- minimum 18 ft. LOA, double-handed, class minimum crew weight (no correctors).
- PFD to be worn by each person aboard
- VHF radio secured to boat or crew
- flares, compass, whistle (smoke flares suggested for day use)
- righting line, boat length painter
- standing rigging less than 3 years old
- flashlight and water

These items are specific to this Race and do not abrogate any class requirement, Racing Rules requirement, or any requirements imposed by the Coast Guard.

**16.4** Racers are reminded that they are bound by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea when encountering vessels that are not racing.

**17. PHRF NON-SPINNAKER CLASS DEFINITIONS:**

**17.1** No spinnakers or spinnaker-like sails such as flashers, cruising 'chutes, MPSs, gennakers, etc. are allowed. All headsails must meet the measurements of Rule 50.4.

**17.2** Only one spinnaker pole or whisker pole of maximum length 1.4J shall be used at a time and, when in use, shall be attached to the foremost mast.

**17.3** Use of headsails larger than 155% LP carries a 6-second per mile penalty unless the boat is already handicapped for such larger sail.

**17.4** More than one headsail may be carried set, and the headsails need not be attached to the forestay.

**18. TROPHIES, etc.:** Class trophies will be awarded as follows:

<u>Number of Boats in the Class</u>	<u>Trophies</u>
1-3	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
4-6	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
7-or more	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place

Breakfast will be served at 1000 hours on Sunday, July 8, 2018. Tickets may be purchased for \$15 at the door. Trophies will be awarded at approximately 1100 hours on Sunday. In addition to trophies for each class, we have an Endurance award for the boat that sails across the finish line last. The following 9 perpetual trophies will be awarded in accordance with their Deeds of Gift. Two or more entries are required in order to award all perpetual trophies except the Mates' Trophy.

- The **MILT INGRAM TROPHY RACE** Perpetual Trophy, donated by Milt Ingram, to the boat with the lowest corrected time among all monohull boats with valid PHRF certificates.
- The **COMMODORE's** Trophy, donated by S/Cs Richard and Susan Countess, to the PHRF monohull boat that is first to finish.
- The **WOMAN SKIPPER** Trophy, donated by West Marine, to the PHRF boat with the lowest corrected time among all boats that are skippered by women. The guidelines for this category are that the woman shall helm at the start, finish, rounding Platform Grace, and at other tactical points, and shall play a major role in making racing

decisions aboard her boat. If you wish to compete for this trophy, please inform the Race Committee before the start if you have not so marked your entry form.

- The **CRAIG ASHBY MEMORIAL** Trophy to the offshore multihull class boat that is first to finish.
- The **MATES' TROPHY** Trophy, donated by Jim and Ellyn Dembowski, to the boat with the lowest corrected time among all monohull boats sailed double-handed in any class. The boat must have a valid PHRF certificate to be eligible. If you wish to compete for this trophy, please inform the Race Committee before the start if you have not so marked your entry form.
- The **A-CLASS** Trophy, initially donated by Walter Pressel then re-deeded by Rod Abbott after his boat, FUNATIC, won the trophy three times, to the boat with the lowest corrected time in the PHRF A Class.
- The **TOM SPURGIN MEMORIAL** Trophy to the non-spinnaker boat with the lowest corrected time.
- The **CATAMARAN CLASS** Trophy to the Beach Cat with the lowest corrected time.
- The **CLASSIC YACHT** Trophy, donated by Dave Decrevel, to the classic yacht with the lowest corrected time.

**19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Racers release PBYC, its officers, agents, committee persons, and sponsors from any and all liability for any injury to crew or damage to vessel arising out of participating in this event to the extent that such release does not discharge the racer's insurance carrier under the provisions of the insurance policies on the vessel. The racers assume any risk of injury or death arising out of participating in this event, failure or breakage of the vessel or any of its equipment, or weather conditions.

**20. INSURANCE** : Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

**Ventura Harbor Entrance & Finish Line: Figure 1**

