

Early Summer Series – revision 1

The only change made in this revision is the revised schedule to accommodate for Marina Day

I am the new race guy for the club.

This email is to let you know about the up-coming series. Seeing how it will be an informal bridge and back series, I decided to let you know about it informally in this email. There are some major changes, so please read carefully.

When I sat down to write this up, I had five goals (and one after-thought!) in mind:

- Keep the series informal and fun
- Give boats with a higher PHRF rating a greater advantage
- Get the boats together on the final leg of the race
- Recognize those who put out the effort to show up
- Keep the series short with limited throw-outs/makeups
- Get back to the dock early enough to have time for a beer and an occasional grill at the party mark

Along these lines I have come up with this format for the summer series:

- We will have a reverse start. The slower boats will start first.
- I will award glass trophies for the first FIVE places
- The series will be 5 races. 1 throughout. No makeups.
- The races will be sailed late Saturday afternoons

The details:

- **START TIMES**

Your start time will be based on your PHRF (see below). The higher the PHRF, the earlier your start time. My intention is to get everyone converging on the finish line together. This I know is unrealistic, but at least it will get the boats together out on the water – hopefully on the final leg. These times are not at all scientific, just rough estimates. Once the series is underway, I may post revised start times.

Your start time is the EARLIEST time that you may start. With the winds dying late in the afternoon, those who have early times will usually get a wind advantage over the boats starting later. If, however, you get to the line at your designated time and you don't like the wind, you may wait to start. Regardless of your start time, you **MUST** be on your way by 5:30 PM

Keep your own elapsed time and turn it into Keith when you get in.

Here are the starting times. If you are not specifically listed, just place your boat in earliest start time for the PHRF range that it belongs, or contact me.

○ Boats PHRF greater than	240	your start time will be	4:35
○ Boats PHRF no greater than	240		4:40
○ PHRF no greater than	210		4:45
○ Bob and Dick	192		4:50
○ Keith	189		4:55
○ Cam and Rick	168 and 165		5:00
○ Chuck	66		5:20

- **SCORING**

There will be 5 races in this series. We will count 4 of them. If a race gets cancelled we will NOT make it up. We will score just those that were completed.

- **WEATHER**

High wind: Races will be cancelled if winds are steady at 25 MPH and/or gusting over 33 MPH.

No wind: If no boat reaches “Roy’s Point” by 6:00 PM the race will be cancelled. And if no boat crosses the finish line before 8:30 PM the race will be cancelled.

Thunderstorms: Race will be cancelled if thunderstorms are in the area.

Deteriorating Conditions: If conditions deteriorate after the start of the race, use sound judgment regarding continuing or abandoning the race.

- **ENTRY FEE**

\$15 for members of LCYC; \$20 for non-members. If you don’t pay, you won’t be scored.

- **RULES**

2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, as published by US Sailing, except as changed by these instructions.

- **START LINE**

The start line is a line formed BETWEEN any two buoys at the entrance of the marina. BE CAREFUL – often one of the buoys is missing, you MUST start between two of them. The breakwater does NOT count!

- **COURSE**

From the start line proceed to the south bridge. Round any mark in either direction, and return to the marina. The start line will also serve as the finish line. BE SURE TO KEEP YOUR OWN TIME.

- **PRIZES**

Glass trophies for the first FIVE places.

- **SCHEDULE**

Race 1 Saturday, April 30

Skipper Meeting on the first race day at 4:00PM – BRING YOUR ENTRY FEE!

Race 2 Saturday, May 7

MAY 14 – See Note, Below*

Race 3 Saturday, May 21

MAY 28 – See Note, Below*

Race 4 Saturday, June 4

JUNE 11 – See Note, Below*

Race 5 Saturday June 18

*NOTE: No series races on May 14, May 28, or June 11.

- May 14th Travis and Brian are planning a bridge and back race – watch for details on that race from them.
- May 28th I'll schedule a longer memorial weekend race if there is any interest.
- June 11th Marina Day