



Oakland Yacht Club
rites of spring race
SINGLE & DOUBLE HANDED
Saturday March 17, 2007



GENERAL

The Rites of Spring race provides an in-the-bay opportunity to experience the fun and challenge of racing your boat single or double-handed. Participants represent the whole spectrum of bay racers including many who do not ordinarily race short-handed. An awards party is held after the race to help prolong the experience and let the racers meet their competition.

Because crews are short handed, the race committee tends to make the start line wide and makes liberal use of the radio in addition to signal flags.

ELIGIBILITY/ RULES

Open to double and single-handed crews only. Monohull sailboats must be ballasted with LOA of at least 20 ft. Multihull sailboats must be BAMA rated. Yacht club membership is not required.

RACING AREA

The courses will be in the central bay, 10-15 miles long with start/finish in the Berkeley pier-TI area.

SAFETY AND AUTOPILOTS

Life jackets must be worn. Autopilots are allowed for single-handers only

INSTRUCTIONS

The 2005-2008 RRS, prescriptions of US Sailing and the Standing Instructions of SF Bay YRA HDA will govern (YRA prevails if conflicting), except where modified by the OYC Sailing Instructions. Detailed instructions will be mailed or e-mailed to all known racers a week before the race. Late registrants may pick up instructions at the Oakland Yacht Club, the optional skippers meeting, the RC boat, or from OaklandYachtClub.com.

ENTRY FEES-FORMS

Entry fee is \$30.00 Including T-shirts, but add \$5.00 if mailed or delivered after March 9. Forms are available at the Oakland Yacht Club, at the Skipper's meeting, or OaklandYachtclub.com

FLEETS/DIVISIONS

Tentative fleets are listed below, based on last year's distribution. The RC will make a strong effort to keep similar boats in the same fleet, including a one-design class start if at least five boats register. To provide meaningful competition, a non-spinnaker boat may be given a bonus phrf adder and included in a spinnaker fleet. (All classes are double-handed monohulls with spinnakers unless noted.)

Multihull PHRF	Alerion Express 28	Non-Spinnaker 129 Min	Single Hand-Spin
PHRF 134 Max	Cruising 30's (180ish PHRF)	Catalina 34	Single Hand-No Spin
PHRF 135 Min	Non-Spin 128 Max	Santana 22	

PHRF & TIME CORRECTION

Elapsed times will be corrected using the Time on Distance method corrected to the nearest second. Boats not submitting a SF Bay YRA PHRF certificate may be given a non-contestable rating. Standard YRA PHRF adjustments for headsail size may be applied only if declared on the entry form.

SKIPPER'S MEETING-OPTIONAL

Friday, March 16, 7:30 PM OYC Regatta Room. Dinner is available at 6:30 PM, bar at 5:00PM.

PARTY & BERTHING

All racers and friends are invited to an after race awards dinner at the OYC clubhouse. Dinner is available at 15-\$20 per person. Reservations helpful, but not necessary. Bar opens at 1700, dinner available at 1830, awards at about 1930. Free overnight berthing at OYC is available Friday and Saturday nights, reservation required.

T-SHIRTS & TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to the top 50% (approximately) finishers at OYC on the evening of the race. T-shirts are included in entry fee and will be available one week before the race. (Hats may be substituted if t-shirts run out because of late entries.)

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