

2011 ILYC SHIELDS WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY - IDA LEWIS YACHT CLUB

1. RULES

Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012. The following Rules will be changed Rule 35 – Time Limit, 44.2 – Two Turns Penalty, 62.1(a) & Appendix A – scoring;

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be limited to the Shields Class restrictions per ISAF Regulation 20.5.6

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Races are open to Shields Class boats with current registrations with Shields Fleet 9.

Boats shall carry liability insurance in the amount of at least \$300,000 as a condition of entering any race. A copy of the insurance certificate shall be submitted with the entry form.

Boats assigned to Race Committee duty may not sail on that day and shall be awarded average points after throw-outs for the series. Failure to serve on the Race Committee on the day assigned shall result in the boat being scored DNE, which may not be discarded.

4. ENTRY FEE:

Total \$ **315** payable to Shields Fleet 9 by 5pm May 4, 2011.

\$50 late fee for boat registered after, May 4, 2011

Additionally associate members may join Fleet 9 – fee **\$25.00**.

5. SCHEDULE

Spring Series: May 11 – June 15 Warning Signal 5.35PM Rendezvous – Rose Island
Summer Series: June 22– August 3 Warning Signal 5.35 PM
Rendezvous – north of bridge
Fall Series: August 10 – Sept 14 Warning Signal & Rendezvous - *see below*

August 10–August 31: Warning signal 5.35 PM, Rendezvous – north of bridge
Sept 7,14 Warning signal 5.00 PM, Rendezvous – Rose Island
Sept 21 – special race Warning signal 5.00 PM, Rendezvous – Rose Island

6. MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATE

In lieu of providing a Class Measurement certificate, the owner/skipper of each entered shall affirm that the boat conforms to the Shields Class Rules.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Will be available from the Fleet Captain and at Ida Lewis Yacht Club prior to the first race.

8. COURSES

Will be chosen from the 2009-2012 South Bay chart published by SAIL NEWPORT except that if Flag O is flown on the Committee Boat before or with the warning signal, the marks of the course, the side on which they are to be left and the rounding order will be displayed on the Committee Boat.

9. SCORING

Scoring shall be in accordance with Appendix A Low Point System except that:

- a) at least two boats must start in order for a race to be scored;
- b) if four or more races are completed in a series, then each boat may discard her worst score;
- c) a boat that does not come to the starting line shall be scored DNC and shall receive THREE points more than the number of boats that started in that race;
- d) a boat that does not provide her crew for Race Committee duty on the assigned day, or supply a substitute Shields crew for race committee duty shall be scored DNE and that score is non discardable;
- e) unless submitted to the Race Committee promptly after racing, requests to be scored RAF may be faxed to ILYC at 401 846 8234.
- f) Redress points – points for redress will be based on the total of all races sailed in a series and before throw-outs are considered. See Rule A10(a).

10. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, boats shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This

restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

The Race Committee will endeavor to broadcast an announcement on Ch 72 VHF approximately one hour prior to the Warning Signal regarding the status of racing. The Race Committee may broadcast information regarding the status of the starting line on Ch. 72 VHF.

Failure to make any of the above Race Committee announcements is not grounds for seeking redress.

11. PRIZES

For each series, prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. There will also be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall in the three series

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participating in these series of races do so entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4. Decision to race. The organizing authorities will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after racing.

13. SECOND RACE

In the event that a race is not held or completed, the Race Committee may, if conditions permit, start a second race on any following Wednesday in the series. This will be indicated by displaying the 2nd Substitute flag on the Committee boat at the end of the first race.

14. NEWPORT AREA CAUTION

Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have right of way over any vessel that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

Competitors are also reminded of the restriction zone on the west side of the Navy Base and War College.