



In Memory of Jim Loneragan



Cortez Racing Association

A California Nonprofit Corporation

In partnership with

Silver Gate Yacht Club

Presents the **38th** Annual

San Diego Bay Beer Can Series

May 24th thru August 2nd – Except July 5th

2017 NOTICE OF RACE



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CASA DEL PERRO III



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1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 *Appendix T: Arbitration and Appendix V: Alternative Penalties*, will apply.
- 1.3 USCG "Navigation Rules, International-Inland" (www.navcen.uscg.gov/) apply when a vessel that is sailing under the *Racing Rules of Sailing* meets a vessel that is not.
- 1.4 Class Rules of PHRF San Diego (www.phrfsandiego.org) will apply. However, Rule 8 (MIR rule) of the PHRF class rules will not apply. PHRF class breaks will not be used. PHRF-San Diego must issue each boat's valid, current certificate.
- 1.5 Class Rules will apply to one-design classes (see NOR 5.2).
- 1.6 The following Rules will be modified in the sailing instructions:
 - RRS 29.2 General Recall: Recalled class goes to the end of the starting order.
 - RRS 35 Time Limit: Boats not finished by 2000 (8:00 PM) will be scored DNF.
 - RRS 44.1 Taking a Penalty: Change is shown in NoR 9.
 - RRS 55 Trash Disposal: Discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail is permitted.
 - RRS 61.1(a) Protest Requirements: Protestor required to inform the RC at the finishing line.
 - RRS 62.1(a) Redress: Removes grounds for redress due to failure of hails for OCS boats and as stated in NoR 10.5.
 - RRS A5 Scores Determined by RC: A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.
 - RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5 are modified in SI to allow the race committee to disqualify a boat without a hearing.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats will be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 2.2 Sponsor pennants will be provided to skippers and must be flown from the backstay of all boats when checking in, while racing, and when finishing.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing and limited to monohulls.
- 3.2 To be eligible, boats racing in a PHRF class must have a current Rating Certificate from PHRF San Diego. Exceptions are boats racing as a one-design class, or boats racing in a class using a different rating system.
- 3.3 All boats must have a means of propulsion (e.g. engine or paddle) and be able to avoid and stay clear of large vessels in the channel and/or military vessels.
- 3.4 All eligible boats must register on-line at www.cortezracing.com no later than midnight on May 17, 2017 to avoid a late fee.
- 3.5 Entries close at 6pm on the Monday before each of the first three races. No entries will be accepted after June 5, 2017.
- 3.6 Entries will be limited in number to a maximum of 125 boats.
- 3.7 Identification on Sails for all entries must conform to RRS Appendix G.

4 ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 CRA & SGYC members: \$80.00 until May 17, 2017.
Other SDAYC members: \$200.00 until May 17, 2017.

Note: If you belong to any SDAYC club we waive CRA's \$75 initiation fee to join. You pay our \$120 annual dues plus this \$80 entry fee and you are then able to enter all other CRA races for the same price as entering the Beer Cans at \$200 and not becoming a member! What a deal! CRA members save \$340 in entry fees throughout the year! See our website for membership application information: www.cortezracing.org.
Not a member of any SDAYC club: \$275.00 until May 17, 2017.

Note: You can join CRA for \$195 (\$75 one-time initiation plus \$120 annual dues) and pay the CRA member Beer Can fee of \$80 for a total of \$275 but will not have to pay CRA race fees throughout the year. This is a \$200 savings in entry fees over the remainder of the year! The annual dinner and reciprocity with area clubs are included. See our website for membership application information: www.cortezracing.org.
- 4.2 Late entries from May 18 to June 5, 2017, will be accepted, based on availability, by paying an additional **\$50 late fee**.



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5 CLASSES AND PENNANTS

- 5.1 Sponsor pennants and **Mount Gay Rum** hats will be included in skipper packets available for pick up as follows:

North Sails 2017 Kick-Off Party

2829 Historic Decatur Road, San Diego, 92106

Wednesday, May 17, 2017, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm, and thereafter from

Rigworks Inc. 2801 Carleton Street, San Diego, CA 92106

Shop: 619.223.3788 • Fax: 619.223.3099 8am - 5pm • M- F

- 5.2 Final class breaks will be determined after entries are received, to best balance the class sizes and boat distributions, at the discretion of the CRA Beer Can Steering Committee. One design classes may be considered, if requested by the Fleet Captain, and if **10** boats sign up to constitute a class.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 One race scheduled on each of the following Wednesdays: May 24, May 31, June 7, June 14, June 21, June 28, July 12, July 19, July 26, August 2. No race on July 5.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each Wednesday is 5:50pm.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions and **Ullman Sails** course chart will be included in the skipper packets provided at the **North Sails 2017 Kick-Off Party**. See details at the end of this NOR.
- 7.2 The sailing instructions and course chart will be available by 5:00pm on May 18, 2017 at www.cortezracing.com

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The starting area is in the vicinity of the ½ mile marker mid-Harbor Island.
- 8.2 The racing area covers the general locale known as San Diego Bay. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18773 San Diego Bay.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

For all classes, the first two sentences of *Rule 44.1* are changed to: '*A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or rule 31. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.*'

- 9.2 PENALTY TAKEN AFTER A RACE

After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Ten races are scheduled in the series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 Three races will be excluded. The number of races abandoned by the R/C will not affect the number of excluded races.
- 10.3 The rating on a boat's certificate that is in effect at the time of a boat's entry will apply to all races in the series regardless of whether the boat's rating is changed during the series.
- 10.4 PHRF "RLC" ratings will be used as the default for scoring all races and to determine class breaks. However, the PRO may elect, on a race-by-race basis for each class, to use the "Buoy" ratings, should conditions permit. PHRF non-spinnaker offsets will not be used for scoring.
- 10.5 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1 (a).

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to other boats. This restriction applies to mobile devices as well as VHF radios.

12 PRIZES GALORE!

- 12.1 Race results will be announced at the after race meeting each week and posted at www.cortezracing.com. The location of the weekly post-race parties will be published in the Sailing Instructions, and published on the Series



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Schedule at www.cortezracing.com.

- 12.2 Weekly sponsors generously donate prizes for 1st and 3rd places and crew raffle prizes. 2nd place will be a bottle of **Mt. Gay Rum**. In addition to the weekly sponsor awards, 1st place includes a case of **Ballast Point Brew**. **Rigworks** and **Quantum Sails** will sponsor a weekly skippers' raffle. Banners of sponsors will be displayed on RC signal and support vessels. Please support our wonderful sponsors who make this all possible!
- 12.3 All prizes not claimed at that night's party may be awarded to skippers (owners) in a drawing at the last after-race party on August 3rd. Other than for pending protests, no awards, prizes, trophies etc., will be held over for individuals. Must be present to win!

Prizes containing alcohol shall not be opened on the premises of the party.

This may be considered a breach of Rule 69: Gross Misconduct.

- 12.3 The coveted Beer Can Trophies will be awarded to series top contestants in each Class (with 3 exclusions) at the after race event following the last race of the series.
- 12.4 The winner of the series in each class (with 3 exclusions) will have their boat name added to the perpetual "Beer Can Winner" trophy.
- 12.5 The name of the boat in each class with the lowest score with no exclusions who participated in all 10 races, excepting those abandoned by the R/C, will be added to the "10 Race Class Overall Winner" perpetual trophy. Each winner receives one bottle of Black Barrel Mount Gay Rum sponsored by **Joe Saad Business Broker**.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series 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 race or series.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to CRA's R/C Chair, Colleen Cooke, at sailorcookie@cox.net or (619)852-5010.

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The Fun Stuff!



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POST RACE ACTIVITIES

Meet ASAP after the race for refreshments, results, and re-hashing of the race at the location of the weekly post-race parties posted at the end of this notice, and on the Series page at www.cortezracing.com.

SKIPPERS NOTICE

Skippers will be held responsible for any disorderly, gross, or unlawful misconduct on the part of their crew during post race activities. Violations of ABC regulations, which include providing alcohol to a minor, will subject the boat to penalties that may include disqualification (DGM) and a Rule 69 hearing. Any crewmember engaging in disorderly behavior will be ejected from the post race event and their actions may be considered a breach of Rule 69: Gross Misconduct. All alcoholic beverages must be purchased at the Host facility. You may not bring your own beverages or spirits or open alcohol prizes on site.

KICKOFF PARTY –**NORTH SAILS** LOFT – LIBERTY STATION

A "Kickoff Party" will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at the
North Sails Loft in Liberty Station – 2829 Historic Decatur Rd., SD 92106

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Pick up race packets and pennants and get into the "mind set" for racing.

Bites and Beverages!

After May 17, pick up race packets and pennants at:

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MOUNT GAY RUM HATS & BEER CAN T-SHIRTS

Skippers will receive one "San Diego B.C. Series 2017" souvenir **Mount Gay Rum** hat. Pick up of all hats must be in-person (skipper) at the Kick-Off party or one of the first 3 race parties. All hats not claimed will be raffled to crew at the last after-race event.

To order your personalized Beer Can t-shirts, go to www.cortezracing.org!

THANK YOU TO ALL VOLUNTEERS, SERIES ORGANIZERS & RACE COMMITTEE:

Regatta Co-Chairs and Sponsor Coordinators: Renee Hirsh & Joe Saad

PRO: Colleen Cooke

CRA Commodore: Chris Bennett

SGYC Commodore: Greg Barnet

Beer Can Series Steering Committee: Renee Hirsh, Joe Saad, Colleen Cooke, Cleve and Sandy
Hardaker, Reg Pyrke, Shelly Raming, Danyel Shipley, Jennifer Jordan

Protest Chair: Mark Clements

Technical Committee Chair: Jon Gardner

Trophy Coordinator: Mike Dore

Website: Susi Graff

Signal Boats: Bob Ehlers, John Robey, Jim Person

Pin Boat: SDYC's *Pista* handled by Gary Adler

Safety Boat: George Woodley on *Mojito*

And Our Talented Group of Race Committee Volunteers!!



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BEER CANS 2017 RACE SCHEDULE

<i>Race #</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
1	May 24	SGYC	Driscoll
2	May 31	SDYC	Ullman Sails
3	June 7	Bali Hai	UK Sails
4	June 14	SWYC	Meridian Home Care
5	June 21	Bali Hai	Rigworks
6	June 28	SWYC	North Sails
Bye	Jul 5		
7	Jul 12	Bali Hai	Sailing Supply
8	Jul 19	SGYC	JK3
9	Jul 26	SWYC	West Side Tap House
10	Aug 2	Bali Hai	Sunglass Optical



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