



# TBYC Hurricane Nationals 2016

## Thorpe Bay Yacht Club Hurricane National Championships 2016 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August 2016

### Notice of Race

#### 1. Organising Authority

- 1.1. Racing will be under the burgee of Thorpe Bay Yacht Club in conjunction with the Hurricane 5.9 Catamaran Class Association.

#### 2. Rules

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the rules of the Hurricane Catamaran Class Association, this notice of race and the event specific sailing instructions.
- 2.2. Change to the rules will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

#### 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Entry is open to the three class approved sail plan options. Hurricane Class racing catamarans racing with the standard two sail rig, Sport rig and the SX rig.
- 3.2. Competitors may enter by completing an entry form available on the TBYC website ([www.tbyc.org](http://www.tbyc.org)) the Hurricane Catamaran Class Association Web site ([www.hurricane59.com](http://www.hurricane59.com)) or at registration on the Friday and Saturday of the event.
- 3.3. Competitors automatically grant TBYC and The Hurricane Catamaran Class Association without payment the right in perpetuity to make use and show any motion picture, still and live taped or filmed television of, or relating to, the regatta, unless otherwise advised in writing prior to the regatta.

#### 4. Fees

- 4.1. The entry fees are £150.00 per boat. Cheques made payable to TBYC and posted to the Secretary, Thorpe Bay Yacht Club, 115 Thorpe Bay Gardens, Southend on Sea, Essex, SS1 3PN.
- 4.2. Online payment may be made to Account No: 02539004 Sort Code: 55-50-28 using "HSX" plus your sail number as reference & email the completed entry form to [julianj505@hotmail.com](mailto:julianj505@hotmail.com)

#### 5. Schedule

- 5.1. Registration will be held in the TBYC Clubhouse between 19:00 – 20.30hrs on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August and from 10:00-11:00hrs on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August.
- 5.2. There will be a competitor briefing at 11:00 on Saturday in the clubhouse.

#### 6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be issued to each competitor upon registration.

#### 7. Race Program and courses

- 7.1. There will be one course as per the sailing instructions for Hurricane 5.9 Two sail, Sport and SX rigged boats.
- 7.2. All Hurricane rig variants will have two races per day over 4 days.



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7.3. The racing will take place as follows:

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	First Start no earlier than: Second Start	13:00 hours Back to back
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	First Start no earlier than: Second Start	13:30 hours Back to back
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	First Start no earlier than: Second Start	14:00 hours Back to back
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	First Start no earlier than: Second Start	14:30 hours Back to back

7.4. There will be 1 discard if 4 or more races are sailed. A minimum of 3 races will constitute a series. If 7 or more races are sailed there will be 2 discards.

7.5. All races will be held in the racing area between the Mulberry Harbour to the east and Southend Pier to the west. Competitors should ensure they allow sufficient time to reach the committee boat starting the race.

7.6. A windward-leeward course will be used for the series and will be outlined in appendix A of the Sailing Instructions.

7.7. Each day's races are scheduled to be sailed back to back

7.8. A briefing will be held at 11:00 on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August in the TBYC main bar area.

### 8. Identification and Acknowledgement of Risk

8.1. Each owner/competitor is entirely responsible for their boat's own safety and the safety of its crew, whether the boat is afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

8.2. It is for each owner/competitor to decide whether the boat and its crew are fit to sail in the conditions in which it might find itself. By launching or going to sea, the owner/competitor confirms the boat is fit for those conditions and that the crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

8.3. Under items 8.1 and 8.2, where applicable, parents or guardians of competitors under the age of 18 years old will be required to take full responsibility for their dependents throughout the event and to sign the parental permission section of the formal event entry form.

8.4. Each owner/competitor is responsible for ensuring the boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather and that the crew has sufficient experience and fitness to withstand such weather.



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### 9. Liability

- 9.1. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of each owner/competitor nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. 'The Organisers' encompasses everyone helping to run the race and the event and includes the Organising Authority, The Class Association, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, safety boats and beach masters.
- 9.2. The provision of support boats does not relieve each owner/competitor of their responsibilities.

### 10. Scoring

- 10.1. The series will be scored as provided in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-16, the low points scoring system will be used.
- 10.2. In the case of mixed rig racing (Two Sail, Sport and SX sail Plans) individual elapsed times will be recorded by the race committee and calculated using the SCHRS system. The Hurricane Catamaran Class Association hold the right to make any modifications to the handicap ratings and will determine the format of the results structure and prize giving.

### 11. Alternative Penalties

- 11.1. The 360 penalty will apply. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2

### 12. Social Programme

- 12.1. Full details of the social programme and class AGM will be posted on the appropriate websites in due course.

### 13. Conditions of Entry

- 13.1. All boats shall have adequate Third Party Insurance cover to a minimum of £2,000,000.00 (two million pounds sterling).

### 14. Boat and Car Parking

- 14.1. All competitors will be required to park their boats and road trailers in accordance with directions given by the beach master and his team. Any stickers issued at registration shall be displayed as directed at all times.
- 14.2. Further advice will be published as soon as possible and guidance will be available on arrival at the club.

### 15. Accommodation

- 15.1. Details of accommodation options for competitors will be made available on the Class and Club websites in due course. Camping is free and on-site at TBYC.

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