



NOTICE OF RACE/Sailing Instructions

MOONLIGHT MADNESS

Saturday, July 17th, 2021

- Rules:** This race is governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing except as modified by the STYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI), these Sailing Instructions, and the USCG VTS Navigation Rules.
- Eligibility and Entry Deadline:** This race is open to STYC members with PHRF-NW or STYC rating. Non STYC members with a valid PHRF-NW rating are eligible to enter provided the skipper is a member of a PIYA or US Sailing accepted club. Entries must be received on the STYC website (www.styc.org), no later than 2400, on the Wednesday before the race. See the GSI for the late entry policy. This race is limited to the first 50 registrants due to the Coast Guard permit. No waitlist will be maintained. The entry fee for members is \$10. Non-members and Associate Members must submit a \$40 entry fee with the completed entry.
- Special COVID 19 Requirements:** Sloop Tavern Yacht Club (STYC) would like to remind everyone participating that sailboat racing is voluntary and is done at your own risk. Compliance with Federal, State, and Local rules and regulations is required by the club and enforcement is the responsibility of the skipper. In particular, skippers are responsible for ensuring everyone in their crew complies with all guidelines, rules, and regulations to prevent the spread of COVID 19 while participating in STYC races. Further, please be especially careful of COVID protocols while on the dock and using the facilities at the marina.
- Special COVID Contact Tracing Requirements:** We require that all skippers keep a complete and accurate record of their crew and inform them in the event of any possible exposure to COVID 19 by other crew members. Failure to have such contact tracing information when asked will result in disqualification from the entire series. The race committee may ask to see proof of such contact information at the time of the race. An acceptable form for contact tracing is available at <https://bit.ly/38awYGx> or you may use a joint text or email thread or tracing app if available for inspection at the time of the race. In the event a crew member suspects or is confirmed to have COVID-19, or is exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19, they must notify the skipper and other crew immediately within 24 hours. It is the skipper's responsibility to inform the crew of this requirement. This applies for up to 14 days after the race.
- Special COVID Face Coverings and Social Distancing:** Masks should be worn whenever necessary to be socially responsible. Times like these include when sitting on the rail, when unable to distance, and when on the docks. We would also strongly discourage after-race gatherings on boats or docks at this time.
- Divisions and Starting Times:** Class breaks will be posted on the STYC website (www.styc.org) by 1800 the Friday before the race. The first class start is at 1900. The first warning is at 1855.
- Race Distance and Course:** The long course is 15.992 nautical miles. The short course is 12.302 nautical miles. The Race Committee boat may signal alternate courses before the start of the race in accordance with the GSI. The planned courses are as follows:

Long Course:

N(s) W K D W(s) N (all marks to port except where noted by (s))

Short Course:

N(s) W D W(s) N (all marks to port except where noted by (s)):



8. **Time Limit:** The time limit for this race is 0034, 18 July, 2021. Refer to the GSI for instructions concerning cancellations, postponements, and time extensions. Note that moonset is 0034 on the 18th.
9. **Communication:** The race committee will utilize VHF channel 72 for on water communications. A failure by the race committee to issue a communication, the failure of a competitor to hear the communication, or any other issues regarding the communication shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
9. **Skippers' Meeting:** Skippers meeting will be online at 7:00 pm Friday, July 16, 2021. It will be possible to attend using Google Meet or telephone. Meeting details will be emailed to registered boats before the meeting and will be available on the race webpage. The STYC GSI are available on the STYC website. If there are questions, email race@styc.org.
10. **Awards:** Award will be announced during the Post-Race virtual happy hour. The Google Meets link will be included in any emails about the race. Physical prizes, awards, stickers, etc; will be distributed as needed by the Race Committee or designated volunteer. To be coordinated via email after the post-race happy hour meeting.