

# Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Santa Rosa Sailing Club  
Santa Rosa, California



## Twilight Series 2013

Tuesday Evenings June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and August 6.

Lake Ralphine, Santa Rosa, CA

It is the responsibility of each skipper to:

- ⤴ Know the racing rules of sailing and all boating laws and regulations.
- ⤴ Decide whether to race or not, in the prevailing conditions.
- ⤴ Have the boat and crew prepared.
- ⤴ Be able to keep their own elapsed time. (Open Class)

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Through an agreement with the City Parks Department, a skipper can rent a Catalina 12.5, for the evening races (except June 4), beginning at 5PM on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost of the rental is \$10 per night for members or \$15 per night for non-members. Non-members may sail in races after signing the Club's waiver. Catalina 12.5's will sail in the open class.

**Rules:** The race will be governed by the [Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016](#).

**Classes:** There will be two classes: Lasers and Open. Boats in the Open Class will race with [Portsmouth Handicap D-PN](#). (no wind correction)

**Schedule:** On each race day, there are three scheduled races, with the starting sequence for the first race beginning at 6:00 P.M. Open Class will start each race after the start of the Laser Class.

**Courses:** The start-finish line will be between 2 buoys ("S" and "F" on the [course web link](#)) set in the middle of the lake. The windward ("W") and leeward ("L") marks will be decided at the time of the race. Their approximate locations are shown on the course link. Courses are usually windward-leeward and may consist of one, two, or three circuits (to be announced by the on-the-water PRO at the beginning of the starting sequence). Windward and leeward marks are to be left to port. The start line is not restricted except for the first downwind course for the Lasers (during the open class starting sequence). On occasion, a wing mark ("T") will be set. This mark is also to be left to port. A "triangle" circuit consists of rounding the W, T, and L marks. A combination of circuits may be called by the PRO at the beginning of the starting sequence. For example, "one sausage and one triangle" means a course beginning between S and F, then rounding W, L, W, T, and L, and finishing between S and F. The

“sausage” circuit is approximately 0.41 nm; the “triangle” circuit is approximately 0.44 nm. [Link to course marks locations.](#)

**Scoring:** The high-scoring system will be used. In a given race, a finisher receives one point plus an additional point for each other boat that entered the starting sequence and did not finish ahead (corrected time) of that finisher. Boats who start but do not finish receive zero points, but their starting does affect the points awarded to finishers. If there is a race tie, both boats receive the points for that position, which is different from Rule A7. Rule A8.1 is used to break series-points ties. Results are posted on the [SRSC website.](#)

There are 30 races planned. A boat’s series score will be the total of her highest 24 race scores.

First, second, and third place for the Series will be recognized; however, only Club members in good standing will be so recognized.

**Starting sequence:**

Prep - 3 short whistles

3 minutes to start - 1 short whistle and course announced.

2 minutes to start - 1 short whistle

1 minute to start - 1 long whistle

0 minutes to start - 1 short whistle

**The Finish:** Each skipper in the open class will be responsible for that boat's own elapsed times. Each skipper should bring a timer to make such self-timing, reliably. Times will be recorded after each race by the on-the-water PRO. No timing will be necessary for the Laser Class.

**Protests:** Protests on the water must be made audibly within 15 seconds of the incident. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. The on-the-water PRO must be made aware of any unresolved protests immediately after the race in which the incident occurred.

**High-Scoring System:** For example, in a race of 4 boats who all finished, the winner receives 4 points, the second receives 3 points, the third gets 2 points, the fourth gets 1 point. In another example, 4 boats entered the starting area, but one withdrew (before or after the starting gun). Thus, 3 boats finished. The winner gets 4 points, the second gets 3 points, the third gets 2 points, the DNF gets zero points. In a final example, 4 boats all finished but the two top finishers had identical corrected times. Each of the two winners receives 4 points, the next finisher receives 2 points, and the last finisher receives 1 point.

**Personal Flotation Devices:** Every skipper and all crew must wear U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD's throughout the race.

**Time Limit:** There is no specific time limit for a race, but the PRO may abandon subsequent races if the PRO decides that there is insufficient wind. Races may be abandoned (even after starting) if the PRO decides that there is a safety concern, or by mutual consent of the skippers and the PRO in the event of insufficient wind.

**Barbeque:** Each race day will be followed by a potluck BBQ, on shore near the lake. The club will supply the grill, participants can bring their own item(s) to grill and something to share.

**Principal Race Officer:** Steve Sarsfield. When Steve is not available, Wallace Whiting.

[Current Results link](#)

[\*\*Weather Forecast link\*\*](#)

[\*\*Map to Lake Ralphine link\*\*](#)

**Club's Waiver:**

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In consideration of participating in any event of the Santa Rosa Sailing Club, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights to claim damages against the SRSC, or its officers, committee members, members, sailing site owners, employees, agents, representatives, or assignees, from any claim for injury or other damages while participating in any SRSC event or activity.

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Signature of Participant

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Printed Name of Participant

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Date