



## *Larchmont Yacht Club*

# **One Hundred Eleventh Race Week And EIGHTY THIRD ANNUAL JUNIOR REGATTA**

## **BLUE JAY & PIXEL– JUNIOR RACE WEEK Monday July 13, Tuesday, July 14 and Wednesday July 15, 2009**

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS)*, the current rules of the *JSA of LIS* and by the *General Conditions* published by the Larchmont Yacht Club.
- 1.2 Each skipper and crew must wear a non-inflatable U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket at all times while on the water.
- 1.3 Each boat must carry the safety equipment specified by the JSA and the Blue Jay and Pixel class associations.
- 1.4 Part 5 Section B is changed to provide for arbitration of protests of Part 2 rules.

#### **2 ENTRIES AND ASSIGNMENT TO DIVISIONS**

- 2.1 Eligibility requirements for boats and competitors are set forth in the Notice of Regatta.
- 2.2 Each competitor shall register in person at the registration desk either Sunday, July 12, from 1600 to 1800 or Monday, July 14 from 0800 to 0945.
- 2.3 Boats may be assigned to divisions. Division streamers will be distributed at registration to each skipper.

#### **3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Pandemonium.

#### **4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any changes will be posted no less than 30 minutes before the harbor start on the day they take effect.

#### **5 SKIPPERS' AND INSTRUCTORS MEETINGS**

- 5.1 A skippers' and instructors meeting will be held in the Pandemonium at 1015 Monday, July 13.
- 5.2 An instructors' meeting will be held Monday following the skippers' meeting. Subsequent instructors' meetings will be held Tuesday and Wednesday at 0800 by the flagpole on the front lawn. **These meetings are mandatory.**
- 5.3 The regatta committee may schedule additional skippers' and/or instructors' meetings. Notices will be posted on the official notice board.

#### **6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the front lawn.
- 6.2 Harbor starts will be signaled at 1130 on the first morning and 0830 on subsequent mornings by either:
  - a) One gun - harbor start for all classes and divisions, or

- b) flag W (blue, white and red concentric squares) with one gun – harbor start for Pixel and Blue Jays only.
- 6.3 Postponement, flag AP (red and white vertical bars) and two guns:
  - a) signaled at 1130 on the first day and 0830 on subsequent days – all racing postponed,
  - b) over flag W, racing postponed for Pixels and Blue Jays only.
  - c) The first warning signal after postponement ashore will be made not less than 60 minutes after the harbor start. This changes race signal “AP”.
- 6.4 Flag AP (red and white vertical bars) over A (blue and white vertical sections) and 2 guns with flag W no more racing for Pixels and Blue Jays today.
- 6.5 Flag N (blue and white checks) over A with 3 guns, no more racing today.

## **7 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 7.1 The regatta committee intends to run multiple races. The number of races conducted is at the sole discretion of the regatta committee.
- 7.2 If the regatta committee intends to run another race that day, code flag “R” (red field with a yellow cross) will be displayed during the finish of the race in progress.

## **8 DIVISION STREAMERS**

- 8.1 Division streamers will be flown at or near the masthead.
- 8.2 Depending on the number of entries, the classes may be divided into fleets that will race in a round robin series.
- 8.3 Pairings of fleets and their starting sequences, if used, will be posted on the official notice board.

## **9 RACING AREA**

Pixel and Blue Jays will race in Area “S”, to the south of Larchmont Breakwater.

## **10 COURSES AND MARKS**

- 10.1 The course will be a triangle, “T”, consisting of three (3) marks (without an offset) - windward, reach and leeward, finishing to the starboard side of the committee boat. See diagram at the end of the sailing instructions.
- 10.2 Course lengths are at the discretion of the committee.
- 10.3 Marks of the course will be yellow inflatables.
- 10.4 All marks shall be rounded to port.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Prior to the warning signal for the first race each day, all boats shall check in with the regatta committee by sailing on port tack through a gate formed by the signal boat and a yellow flag approximately 100 feet to starboard of the signal boat and hailing its sail number. Boats not checking in may not be scored.
- 11.2 The warning signal will be flags in the color of the divisions for that start. The warning signal for subsequent divisions will be given as soon as the line is sufficiently cleared from the previous start.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end.
- 11.4 The start and finish lines will be on opposite sides of the committee boat
- 11.5 Until their warning signal, boats shall keep well clear of the starting area.
- 11.6 Flag “K” (yellow and blue rectangles) displayed with a division’s preparatory signal means all boats in that division shall not fly spinnakers in that race.

## **12 RECALLS**

The race committee will endeavor to identify recalled boats by sail number using a loud hailer. Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification and the order and timing of such hail shall not be grounds for redress.

## **13 THE FINISH**

The finish will be between a yellow flag on the committee boat and a staff displaying a yellow flag on a buoy at the starboard side.

## **14 TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat in that division will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) and may be towed back to the starting area. This changes rule 35.

## **15 PROTESTS**

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest shall report this to the race committee promptly after finishing that race.
- 15.2 Written protests shall be delivered to the protest desk at the head of the main staircase of the clubhouse no later than 45 minutes after the race committee comes ashore.
- 15.3 Protest forms are available at the front desk of the yacht club.
- 15.4 The expiration time for filing protests and the list of protests in the approximate order in which they will be heard will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will begin as soon as practicable.
- 15.5 Parties and witnesses shall remain in the protest room area. If a witness is not available when called, that witness may not be heard.

## **16 ARBITRATION**

- 16.1 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule in Part 2 – When Boats Meet, a short arbitration hearing will be held prior to a protest hearing. This changes Part 5 Section B of the *RRS*.
- 16.2 After a written protest is filed, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses will be allowed.
- 16.3 A boat that accepts fault at the arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty of 40% of the number of entries (rounded upward 0.5) added to her finish position, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF.
- 16.4 The arbitrator is neither the race nor protest committee; therefore, decisions made during arbitration cannot be grounds for redress and cannot be appealed.
- 16.5 The arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears the protest but may be permitted to observe testimony presented and offer testimony. This changes rule 63.3(a).

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion.
- 17.2 One race will constitute a series for each division. If classes are divided into divisions, one completed round robin will constitute a series for the class.
- 17.3 If classes are divided into divisions, one completed round robin plus scores of any subsequent or partial round robins will be included in a boat's total score.
- 17.4 Boats scored Time Limit Expired "TLE" will receive 2 points more than the number of finishers in that race but will not be scored worse than DNF.
- 17.5 Breakdown points will not be granted unless rule 62.1(b) or 62.1(d) applies  
Unless boats have been given explicit written permission from the regatta committee for the following irregularities they may be scored "DNC":
  - 1) Racing under a sail number other than the number registered for entry.
  - 2) Sail number not legible to the regatta committee.
  - 3) Different mainsail and spinnaker numbers.
  - 4) Mainsail or spinnaker numbers not complete or numbers not clearly visible to the regatta committee from both sides of the sails.

This changes rule 63.1 and G4.

## **18 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support boat personnel shall not be in the racing area from the time of the first warning signal for the first division until all boats have finished or the regatta committee signals a postponement or abandonment. Support boats shall not be anchored after the harbor gun without express permission from the organizing authority. Spectators and instructors are subject to coaching restrictions prescribed in the current rules of the *JSA of LIS*. In addition, no coaching is permitted following a general recall.

**19 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Pixels will be dry sailed and Blue Jays will be wet-sailed. No Blue Jay may be hauled out without the express permission from the regatta committee.

**20 PRIZES**

20.1 Prizes will be awarded following the conclusion of racing on Wednesday on the front lawn. Prizes will be awarded for first place if 2 or more boats in a division, second if 5 or more, third if 10 or more and 1 additional prize for each additional 10 boats.

20.2 If at least one round robin is completed, prizes for first, second and third places will be awarded to the skipper and crew with the lowest cumulative score in the class.

20.3 Perpetual trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the regatta committee regardless of the number of races.

**21 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

21.1 The skipper/owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew or guests. In the event of a breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member or agent of the Larchmont Yacht Club, the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her boat shall be subject to protest and disqualification.

21.2 The Larchmont Yacht Club is not responsible and will not accept any liability for bodily injury, death or property damage suffered from any cause. Each participant, including skipper and crew, participates in the regatta entirely at his/her own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against the Larchmont Yacht Club, its regatta committee, and its officers, trustees, committee members, members, agents, or employees. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each participant as does responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding when to wear life jackets. Patrol boats or other assistance will not likely be available. Assistance, if any, from the regatta committee or other Larchmont Yacht Club vessels, or other patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is entirely at the risk of the participant.

REGATTA COMMITTEE	Jed Kelly, Chairman
PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER	Cynthia A. Parthemos
PROTEST COMMITTEE	Mary M. Savage, Chairman
JUNIOR SAILING COMMITTEE	Suzanne Schlegel and Merrill Ulmer , Co-Chairmen
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**COURSE DIAGRAM “T” (schematic and not to scale)**

