

## SIN FUNG WINTER SATURDAY SERIES 2015

# NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organizing Authority is the Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

### 2. RULES

2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-16.

2.2 The prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation will apply, together with;

- IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, except that IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply;
- There will be no limitations on Crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as One-design, which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1;
- The HKPN handicap system as administered by the HKSF and the HKPN Committee;
- The Rules of the SMS system for the Sportsboat class;
- Class Rules where they apply;
- Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of May 2013 (HHYC SSI);
- This Notice of Race, and
- The Winter Saturday Series 2015 Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

2.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to modify this Notice of Race. Competitors will be notified of any modifications.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Event is open to all boats in the following Classes:

- IRC Class - monohull cruiser boats holding a valid IRC rating.
- HKPN Class - monohull cruiser boats holding a valid HKPN.
- Sportsboat Class; holding a valid SMS rating.
- One-design Classes - J80 and Dragons.

3.2 Should there be sufficient entries, the IRC and HKPN Classes may be sub-divided into divisions based on suitable rating bands.

3.3 Should there be insufficient entries in the Sportsboat and One-design Classes, the Race Committee may incorporate these boats into other classes where possible.

### 4. FEES

4.1 The race fee per boat is \$150 per racing day or \$500 for the Series.

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### 5. SCHEDULE

Race	Course Type	Date
1 & 2	Geometric	7 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
3 & 4	Geometric	21 <sup>st</sup> November 2015
5	Island (except Dragons)	5 <sup>th</sup> December 2015
6 & 7	Geometric	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2015

- 5.1 The precise starting sequence for all classes/divisions will be included in the Sailing Instructions or will be posted on the notice board at HHYC and the Club's website before noon Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- 5.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal will be 14:25 hrs. Races subsequent to the first race of the day shall be started as soon as possible after all boats in each class have finished or are deemed to have retired from the previous race.
- 5.3 Race 5 of the series is an Island Course. As well as constituting a race in the series, this race will also constitute a single entity in its own right. Known as the “**The Short Course Dash**”, prizes for this race will be awarded in all divisions subject to the three boat rule (HHYC SSI, Part 1 D). As Dragons do not meet the safety requirements for such a race, they will have a single geometric course for Race 5.

### 6. COURSES

- 6.1 The courses for all races are provided in the HHYC SSIs of May 2013, and Appendix 1 of Winter Saturday Series 2015 Sailing Instructions.

### 7. PRIZES

- 7.1 There will be prize giving at HHYC based on provisional results following each day's racing.
- 7.2 Overall series prizes will be awarded after racing on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

### 8. ENTRY

- 8.1 Entries should be made **online** by 12:00 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015. This will assist the Race Committee in making decisions on whether to split classes into divisions. Late entries may also be made on the water on the day of racing by hailing the Committee Boat.

### 9. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 9.1 All boats, with the exception of Dragons, must comply with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix J, Category 5. The Sportsboat class has dispensation for Clause 3.23.5 (e) of Part B of these Regulations.
- 9.2 The Race Committee accepts no liability resulting from this dispensation and reminds competitors of their responsibility under Clauses M & Q, Part I, of the HHYC SSIs.

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### **10. MEASUREMENTS**

10.1 IRC and SMS classes are required to submit a copy of their current certificate(s) to the Sailing Office or by email to [sailadmin@hhyc.org.hk](mailto:sailadmin@hhyc.org.hk) no later than 12:00 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

### **11. SCORING**

11.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

11.2 Discards will be used dependent on the number of races completed for that class or division as follows:

6-7 races completed - 1 discard

Less than 6 races completed - 0 discards

This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS. Four races shall constitute a series.

### **12. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

12.1 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Club website by 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and will be available at the Main Bar of Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

### **13. VENUE**

13.1 The racing will take place in the vicinity of Port Shelter.

### **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1 The attention of the Person-in-charge, owner and skipper is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone” and to Special Regulation 1.02 (first point) which begins “The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person-in-charge...”

### **15. INSURANCE**

15.1 All boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of HK\$1,000,000.



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### General Information

- Visiting members of ABC and RHKYC may sign chits on race days to be charged to their home club accounts. Visitors should advise staff of their membership details before placing orders. Our staff may request to see the membership card of any visitor prior to accepting an order. We accept payment by Octopus from competitors not members of Hebe Haven Yacht Club, or cash coupons will be available for purchase in the Main Bar.

Please note – there is no facility to re-charge Octopus card value at HHYC.

### Useful Telephone Numbers & Contacts:

**Office:**

Tel: 2719 9682

Fax: 2358 1017

**Bar:**

Tel: 2719 8300

**Marine:**

Tel: 2719 3673

**Sampan Service:**

Tel: 9272 6204 or 9272 6205

**Committee Boat:**

Tel: 6466 1900

VHF: Channel 72