



**2019 Sequoia Sunset
Race Series**

Agenda

- ❑ Welcome
- ❑ Review the Ten Commandments (TCoBR)
- ❑ Schedule/Courses/Fleets
- ❑ Race Management
- ❑ Q&A

The Ten Commandments of Beer Can Racing

Penned by Rob Moore and first published in Latitude 38 in
1989

*Failure to abide by these laws could exclude you from
Beercan Heaven!*

<http://www.latitude38.com/misc/10Command-opt.pdf>

The Ten Commandments of Beer Can Racing

- I. Thou shalt not take anything other than safety too seriously.*
- II. Thou shalt honor the racing rules if thou knowest them.*
- III. Thou shalt not run out of beer.*
- IV. Thou shalt not covet thy competitor's boat, sails, equipment, crew or PHRF rating.*
- V. Thou shalt not amp out.*

The Ten Commandments of Beer Can Racing

- VI. Thou shalt not protest thy neighbor.*
- VII. Thou shalt not mess up thy boat.*
- VIII. Thou shalt always go to the yacht club afterwards.*
- IX. Thou shalt bring thy spouse, kids, friends and whoever else wants to go.*
- X. Thou shalt not worry; thou shalt be happy.*

Sunset Series Focus

- ❑ As many boats as possible
- ❑ Fun/safe mid-week sail
- ❑ Friendly competition
- ❑ Fill the club with sailors & friends after race
- ❑ Help grow the fleet and the club

What that means for the racing

- ❑ Separate the fleets - make the ride out safe
- ❑ Vary the course to keep things interesting
- ❑ Target the race for an hour and a half (YMMV)
- ❑ Get people off their boats and into the club
- ❑ Start awards ceremony about an hour after the finish

Schedule

- ❑ Every Wednesday 4/17-10/2
- ❑ Races begin 30 minutes earlier in September and October
- ❑ Race starts at 1800hrs (Tuna rating - 234)
- ❑ Commandment 8!
- ❑ Awards Ceremony about an hour post finish

*** Must be present to win! ***

Fleets

❑ PHRF

- ❑ Divided into sub-fleets (target 6 boats)
- ❑ Starts all based on same scratch time

❑ Windjammer

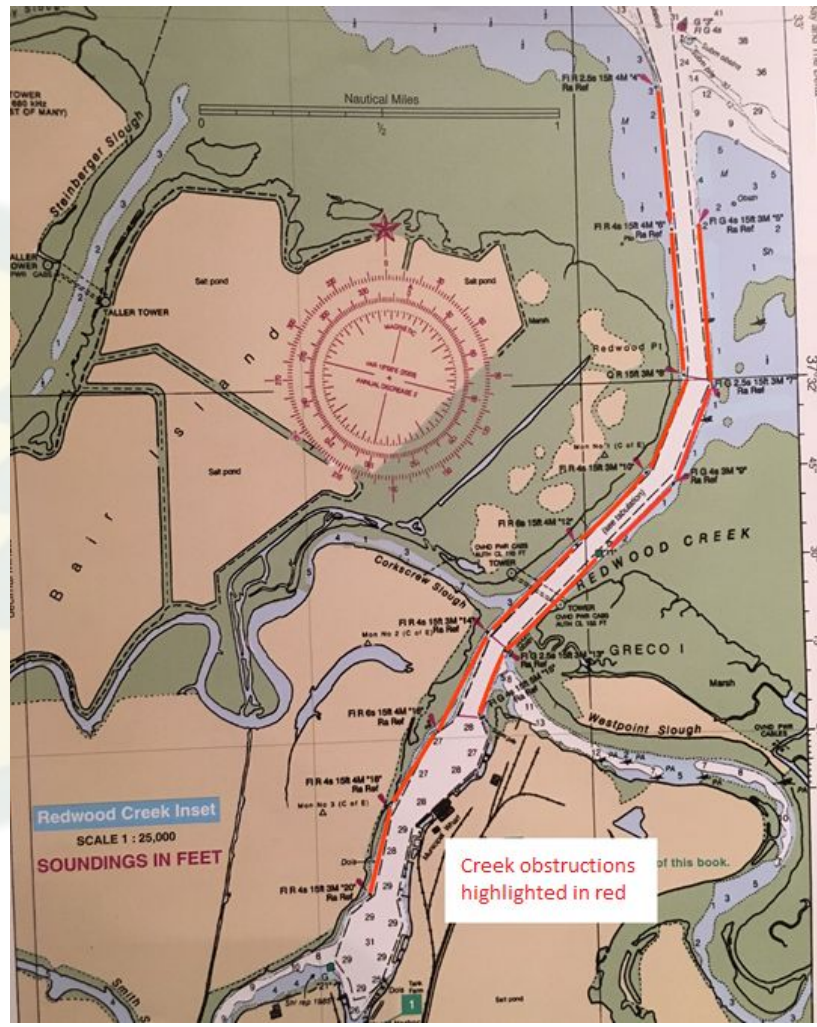
- ❑ May sail different course
- ❑ Start may be biased early to create separation

❑ Merits

- ❑ Integrate the fleets as much as possible

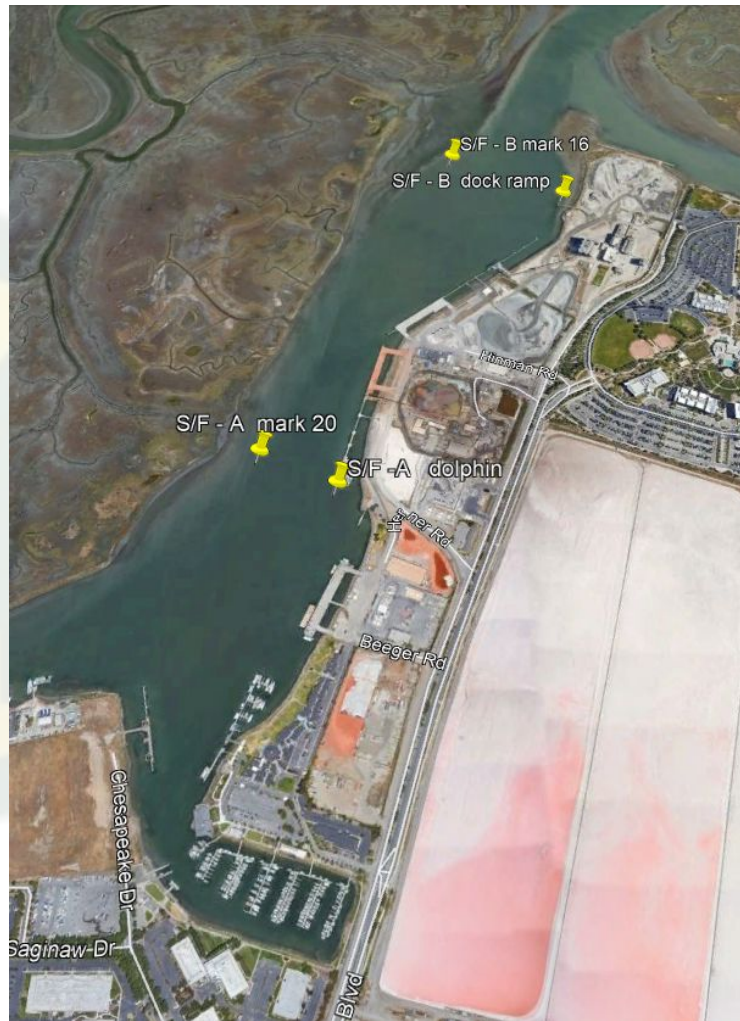
Communication and Safety

- ❑ Keep watch for other boats
- ❑ Communicate your intentions (early/often)
- ❑ Respect the ROW boat
- ❑ Don't always have to force your ROW
- ❑ RRS - Sportsmanship and the Rules
- ❑ SI sec10.5 - S/F marks & navigable water.
- ❑ SI sec11 - channel edge is obstruction



Redwood Creek Inset
SCALE 1 : 25,000
SOUNDINGS IN FEET

Creek obstructions
highlighted in red



Courses

Course	Description
1	S/F , 3 , S/F
2	S/F , 12 , S/F
3	S/F , S , S/F
4	S/F , E , S/F
5	S/F , X , S/F
6	S/F , Y , S/F
7	S/F , O , S/F
8	S/F , B , S/F
9	S/F , 12 , Y , S/F
10	S/F , Y , 12 , S/F
11	S/F , S , Y , S/F
12	S/F , S , O , S/F
13	S/F , S , X , E , S/F
14	S/F , S , O , E , S/F
15	S/F , Ss , Es , Xs , Ys , S/F

Start / Finish Lines	
Start / Finish	Description
A	Mark 20 & Dolphin Mark
B	Mark 16 & Low Dock Ramp
C	Mark 3 & Mark 4
D	Mark 7 & Mark 8

Race Management

- ❑ A registration and skipper release needs to be signed by all skippers
- ❑ A crew registration and waiver is required to be signed by all crew (transferrable)
- ❑ Copies at the club or downloaded from the SYC web site

Race Management

- ❑ Sign-up online @ jibeset.net
- ❑ Sign-up for sycracing@sequoiayc.org to be notified of the course on race days
- ❑ Monitor VHF Channel 69

Race Management

- ❑ 4 series;
 - ❑ April 17-May 29
 - ❑ June 5-July 10
 - ❑ July 17-August 21
 - ❑ August 28-October 2

Race Management

- ❑ At finish line all boats should note
 - ❑ Finish time
 - ❑ Boat ahead and boat behind
- ❑ Report boat name, time, boat ahead and boat behind
 - ❑ email arist@bigair.net (or text)
 - ❑ report in person at club

Race Management

- ❑ Prizes will be awarded at the club
*** Must be present to win! ***
- ❑ Scoring
 - ❑ Each boat finishing, DNF, RET - 1 point
 - ❑ Overall first place - 1 point
 - ❑ Next tracked boat - 1 point
 - ❑ First place in sub-fleet - 1 point
 - ❑ Participating in race theme activity - 1 point
 - ❑ Alternate or youth driver - 1 point ***

Race Tracking

- ❑ Races will be tracked in real time and replayed at the club after the race
- ❑ RaceQs => iPhone or Android
- ❑ Expert race analysis by the assembled hoard

Theme nights

- ❑ Corinthian Night
- ❑ Match Race Night
- ❑ Speed Night
- ❑ Crew Swap night
- ❑ Sept 18 - Sail Like a Pirate Night

- ❑ Family Night, Ladies Night, DLAI Night ???

Questions?

