

Aldo Alessio Perpetual Trophy Regatta
presented by Quivira Estate Vineyards & Winery
St. Francis Yacht Club
August 6-8, 2004

NOTICE OF RACE

INVITATION

On behalf of the officers, directors, and members of the St. Francis Yacht Club it is a pleasure to invite you and your crew to participate in the Aldo Alessio Perpetual Trophy Regatta. This annual trophy was established in 1992 through an endowment given by Staff Commodore Aldo Alessio to promote ocean racing from San Francisco Bay. The Aldo Alessio Perpetual is a painting of his boat *Mistress*, a 49' Rhodes centerboarder, which hangs in the entranceway of the Club. It was originally raced for in an ocean race from San Francisco to Point Conception in the ULDB and Sled class. Since its reinstatement in 2002, Tom Thayer & Dick Watts' *Non Sequitur* and Robert Weed's *Wired* have received this perpetual trophy for best *performance* overall in the Ocean Race. This year, the trophy will again be awarded to the yacht with the best *performance* overall in the Ocean Race.

RULES

This regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the Aldo Alessio Perpetual Deed of gift, as well as the International Sailing Federation Special Regulations (ISAF) January 2004- December 2005 for Category 2 Monohulls, except as modified by the Attachment A. The ISAF Special Regulations for Category 2 Monohulls can be found at: (www.sailing.org). For Handicap Divisions: the PHRF system will apply (Yachts with valid IRC certificates will also be given dual scores for comparison). For One-Design Divisions: their respective class rules will apply, except for J/105 Fleet One, J/120 Fleet Five Class rules, and the San Francisco Beneteau First 40.7 fleet rules will replace the National Association Class Rules. The St. Francis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.

ADVERTISING

This regatta is a St. Francis Yacht Club event in accordance with ISAF regulations 20.4.3 with approval of the US Sailing National Authority. Advertising is restricted to Category A unless the organizing authority grants prior approval. A boat may request approval to enter this regatta under Category C by contacting John Craig, StFYC Race Manager, prior to July 25th.

SAFETY

The owner and skipper of each boat are responsible for the safety of the crew and the vessel. Safety requirements for Fridays race are described in Attachment A. The full listing of ISAF Special Regulations for Category 2 Monohulls can be found at: (www.sailing.org). All competitors' attention should be drawn to Part 1 of the Racing Rules of Sailing - Fundamentals Rules. Special attention should be focused on:

RRS 1.1	Helping Those in Danger
RRS 1.2	Life Saving Equipment and Personal Buoyancy
RRS 4	Decision to Race

PERSONAL FLOTATION

Life-Jacket or other adequate personal flotation device shall be worn by all competitors while racing.

ELIGIBILITY

All boats must complete registration with the St. Francis Yacht Club Race Office on or before July 28th, 2004. If you are planning to race in PHRF / IRC Handicap divisions and have any questions about obtaining an IRC certificate and / or information regarding the IRC rating system, please contact Dan Nowlan at US SAILING (DanNowlan@ussailing.org) or review details on the IRC web site www.rorcrating.com .

FEES

All checks must be in US DOLLARS drawn on a US BANK and made payable to: ST. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB. Fees listed below expire on Friday, July 30th for all entries. After that date, add an additional \$75 to all fees. Entry Fees are as follows: Round Up to the Nearest Foot: 50' LOA and above: \$250; 40' LOA and above: \$200; 35' LOA and above: \$150.

CLASS DIVISIONS

Entrants will be divided into two groupings as follows:

One Design Racing: Beneteau 40.7, Farr 40, J/120, Express 37, One Design 35, J/105

Handicap Racing: Yachts 35' LOA and above will be divided into PHRF / IRC divisions at the discretion of the Organizing Authority but most likely in the following manner for IRC divisions: Class A – TCC 1.100 to 1.199; Class B – TCC 1.000 to 1.099; Class C – TCC .99 and below; and Class D – IRC Hull Factor 7.5 or less.

A minimum of 5 boats per class must be entered to qualify for a one-design start. If 5 boats per class are not entered by the entry deadline, the entered boats may be assigned to a PHRF / IRC division or combined at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. To insure the best racing possible, St. Francis Yacht Club will group boats of similar ratings together.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<i>Thursday, August 5th</i>	1700 – 1900 hours 1900 – 1930 hours	Registration & Check-In Quivira Estate Vineyards & Winery Welcoming Reception /Skippers' Meeting
<i>Friday, August 6th</i>	1100hours 1730 – 1930 hours	<i>Racing begins</i> – Ocean Race Chili & Free Beer!
<i>Saturday, August 7th</i>	1100 hours 1800 – 2200 hours	<i>Racing begins</i> – Two Course Races Quivira Estate Vineyards & Winery Party for all Competitors – Free Beer, Hors d'oeuvres & Live Band
<i>Sunday, August 8th</i>	1100 hours 1600 hours	<i>Racing begins</i> – Bay Tour Race Trophy Ceremony

Thanks goes to our generous presenting sponsor Quivira Estate Vineyards & Winery for all social events at this event!

COURSES

On Friday, there will be one ocean race around Lightship buoy that will finish off the Race Deck of the St. Francis Yacht Club . On Saturday, there will be two Windward/Leeward course races held on San Francisco Bay. On Sunday, there will be one San Francisco Bay-Tour race around inflatable and permanent marks.

SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, of the Racing Rules will apply except that each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races completed.

PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division. The Aldo Alessio Perpetual, a copy of the original painting of Aldo's boat *Mistress*, a 49' Rhodes centerboarder, which hangs in the entranceway of the Club, will be awarded to the yacht with the best *performance* overall.

BERTHING & TRAILER STORAGE

All yachts competing in the event may be moored free of charge at the StFYC guest docks beginning on Thursday, August 5th and one night after racing concludes. If you plan on keeping a storage trailer in the City parking lot, please contact the Harbor Master's Office 415-292-2013 for an overnight parking permit. All trailers will be towed without a city permit.

Attachment A

EXCEPTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION SPECIAL REGULATIONS JANUARY 2004 – DECEMBER 2005 FOR CATEGORY 2 MONOHULLS

ONE-DESIGN EXCEPTIONS:

The Following requirements for Category 2 Monohulls have been removed from the International Sailing Federation Special Regulations January 2004-December 2005 for all ONE-DESIGN FLEETS.

- SR 3.03.1(b) ABS guide for Building and Classing Offshore Yachts in which case the yacht shall have on board either a certificate of plan approval issued by ABS, or written statements signed by the designer and builder which confirm that they have deigned and built the yacht in accordance with the ABS Guide,
- SR 3.08, Hatches & companionways, class rules shall take precedent.
- SR 3.09, Cockpits, attention is drawn to ISO 11812 , class rules shall take precedent
- SR 3.14, Pulpits, stanchions, lifelines, attention is drawn to ISO 15085, class rules shall take precedent.
- SR 3.17. Toe Rail, class rules shall take precedent
- SR 3.20. Cooking facilities, class rules shall take precedent
- SR 3.27. Navigation lights class rules shall take precedent however attention should be drawn to SR2.03.3
- SR 3.29.1(a) ii, It shall have a masthead antenna and co-axial feeder with not more than 40% power loss
- SR 3.29.1(a) iii, The following types and lengths of co-axial feeder cable will meet the requirements of 3.29.1(a) ii:
- SR 4.13 Echo Sounder or lead line
- SR 4.14 Speedometer or distance measuring instrument (log)
- SR 4.15 Emergency steering
- SR 4.18 Marine grade retro-reflective material
- SR 4.19. A 406 MHz EPIRB
- SR 4.20. Life rafts
- SR 4.21.2 Grab bag to accompany life rafts
- SR 4.23.1 Pyrotechnic signals; however boats must comply with RRS 1.2.
- SR 4.26 Storm and heavy weather sails

AMENDMENTS:

The Following amendments have been made to the Category 2 Monohulls from the International Sailing Federation Special Regulations Janauary 2004-December 2005 for all ONE-DESIGN FLEETS.

- SR 3.23.5 Shall be amended to one permanently installed manual bilge pumps
- SR 4.06 Shall be amended to one anchor
- SR 4.17 Shall be amended to require the Yachts name on the lifebuoy only.
- SR 4.22.1 Shall be amended to either SR 4.22.1 a) or SR 4.22.1 b) except that 4.22.1 a) shall include a whistle.

PHRF and or IRC DIVISION EXCEPTIONS:

The Following requirements for Category 2 Monohulls have been removed from the International Sailing Federation Special Regulations January 2004-December 2005 for PHRF and or IRC DIVISIONS.

- SR 3.24.1(a) A deviation (not variation) card is required for magnetic compasses.
- SR3.29.1(a) ii, It shall have a masthead antenna and co-axial feeder with not more than 40% power loss.
- SR 4.18 Marine grade retro-reflective material
- SR 4.19. A 406 MHz EPIRB is now required for Category 2 (Cat 0,1,2).
- SR 4.20. Life rafts
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