

BARBUDA PURSUIT RACE AND BBQ WEEKEND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY JAN 31 & FEB 1 2015

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Race Headquarters will be located at the West Point Bar, Jolly Harbour, Antigua. Times are Antigua Standard Time (UTC minus 4 hours). Authority is Jolly Harbour Yacht Club

Please Note: power boats from the Antigua Sportfishing Club, yachts from AYC and any others (RTW Cruisers etc) are welcome to join in this Race/Cruise in Company to Barbuda. All entrants do so at their own risk. The Race is weather dependent and may be canceled if Windguru Antigua gives a poor forecast.

Entries. All boats wishing to take part should enter by email to Budgie Burge on Budgie.burge@gmail.com or by tel to 783 2021, or find him at West Point Bar on Club Night (Thursday). Entry fee is the usual Saturday EC\$20.00.

BRIEFING There will be a briefing for this race on Friday 30 Jan at 6pm at West Point Bar, Jolly Harbour.

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

The Race will be governed by the Rules as defined in the *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (2013 - 2016)*.

The Race will also be governed by:

(a) the *CSA Rating Rule (used to determine start times for competitors)*;

The Rules will be changed as follows:

(a) Rule 44.1, Taking a Penalty, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty; (b) Rule 52, Manual Power, will not apply; and (c) Rule 77, Identification on Sails, will not apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

All notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at West Point Bar in the Jolly Harbour Commercial Centre.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 5.00 p.m. on the day before the Race.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.

There will be no signals made ashore

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Racing shall take place for all yachts on Saturday 15th March 2014

6. MARKS and COURSE

The course shall be JHYC Club Start Line (or the alternative Start line see below), Dog Leg Red (S) Outer distance mark (S) Five Islands (S), Antigua Mainland (S)

Finish at a waypoint off Coco Point, Barbuda (see the Finish below) (this may be changed by the Committee at their discretion).

Entrants are warned that there are shoal waters on the rhum line, and should navigate accordingly.

7. CLASSES

There will be no division into classes. Boats may use any sail configuration.

8. THE START

Jolly Harbour based yachts shall use the Club start line.

Yachts based in EH or Falmouth may use the alternative starting line which will be the seaward extension of a line between the Outer Channel Marker (Red & White round buoy) leading to Jolly Harbour and the nearest adjacent Green Buoy marking the channel into Jolly Harbour,

This will allow competitors approaching from Falmouth & EH to start without entering Jolly Harbour.

Start times will be allocated to yachts entered by email to

budgie.burge@gmail.com or otherwise and will be communicated to all by email

These times will allow most yachts to finish by about 1400, allowing safe navigation, with the sun high and behind, through the coral heads between Palliser Reef and the anchorage approx 1 mile West of Spanish Point.

Yachts shall start at or after their allocated start time and **must** inform the Race Committee (who will stand by on VHF Ch 12) of their **boat name** and **start and finish times**.

9. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be Waypoint 17°31'400N 61°47'000W off Coco Point Barbuda. Yachts shall take their own finish times, and record the names of yachts finishing ahead of and behind them.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Except for breaches of Parts 1 and 2 of the Rules, the Protest Committee may award any penalty it deems appropriate.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

As this is a fun race it is proposed that any disputes be settled by arbitration. However, a Protest Committee will be convened should there be any contact between boats.

12. SCORING

The winner shall be the boat reaching the finish point first.

13. SAFETY

A boat that retires shall attempt to notify the Race Committee as soon as possible by calling on VHF channel 12, and shall use its best efforts to receive an acknowledgement.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee may broadcast the following information: time checks at thirty (30) and fifteen (15) minutes before 8.00am (the first start)

Failure of a boat to hear any notification on the VHF radio will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1(b). The Committee will stand by on Channel 12.

15. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers.

16. PRIZEGIVING

Will be announced at 6:00 pm on Saturday 15th March on the Beach at Barbuda.

16. SOCIAL

The Club Barbecue will be set up on the beach. An **honesty box** will be attached.

EC\$ 20 per crew using the BBQ is requested to cover cost of charcoal etc.

Bring tents, gazebos etc if you wish.

Musically minded should bring guitars, pianos, ghetto blasters etc.

Boats may leave at any time on Sunday or Monday or later to cruise back to Antigua, or proceed Northward.