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# **NOTICE OF RACE & Sailing Instructions**

### **Hightide Christmas Series 2014**

Please Note: The first race will be on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> (not Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>, as advertised elsewhere) and will be followed by a celebration of the life of Jol Byerley.

As in previous years, the Series will be sponsored by Jol's family.

Racing will be in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 – 2016.

Race 1 Sunday 21/12 start 15:00 approx. 60-75 min. race Race 2 Friday 26/12 – Boxing Day start 13:00 approx. approx. 60 min. race Race 3 Friday 26/12 – start after finish of both classes Race 2. approx. 75-90 min. race Race 4 Sat 27/12 start 15:00 approx. 60-75 min. race

There will be two classes – Class A (Racing & Cruiser/Racer) and Class B (cruisers, classic yachts, and Carriacou sloops etc)

Entry Fees: Boats up to 50ft @ EC\$120 for the series or EC\$60 for Boxing Day (Race 2 and 3) only

Boats over 50ft @ EC\$180 for the series or EC\$90 for Boxing Day (Race 2 and 3) only. Note: Entries before noon on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December, will qualify for a 25% discount.

Scoring - Will be on a Low Point system – amended as follows :-

First 1 point, Second 2 points, Third 3 points, etc.

DNF will score ONE point more than the last boat to finish

DSQ will score TWO points more than the last boat to finish

DNC will score THREE points more than the last boat to finish.

All races to count for the Hightide Series.

Prizes — "Hightide" prizes will be awarded to the winning boats in each class.

Bottles of rum will be presented for the winners of the Boxing Day Races in each Class, sponsored by AYC.

Additional fun prizes may be awarded. Categories/Sponsors required!

RATINGS: CSA ratings will be used where available, all other boats will be allocated a club rating.

Courses – will be laid within the Rendezvous Bay – Hercules Pt. area. The starting finishing area will be at entrance to Falmouth Harbour near Bishops Reef mark. Course plans and diagrams will be emailed and displayed at AYC no later than Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December and confirmed at the Skippers Briefing. Actual course to be sailed for any race will be notified by the committee boat / race officer by flag, hail or radio.

Skippers' Briefing will be at Club Sushi on Sunday 21st December at 13:00.

Radio – will use channel 12 which all yachts will be expected to monitor.

Time limit –
For races 1, 2, 4 will be 1700
For race 3 will 30 mins. after the first finisher in the class

### Social:

21st December- Results and The celebration of the life of Jol on the lawn

26<sup>th</sup> December- Results and Presentation of the Days prizes at the Events Centre and Deck

27<sup>th</sup> December- Results and the Series Presentation at the Events Centre and Deck.

Dockage – The AYC dock will be available to yachts on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Clare Leader AYC Fleet Captain

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

In addition to the above, please note the following:

#### STARTING PROCEDURE:

Will be in accordance with RRS 26 (5: 4: 1: Go) Class starts will be at 5 minute intervals Class B will start first.
Warning flag for Class B will be Yellow Flag Warning Flag for Class A will be a Green Flag

### PROTESTS:

Must be submitted in writing to the Race Officer within 90 minutes of the leading boat's finish or 60 minutes of the protesting boat's finish – whichever is the sooner.

For Day 2 these times apply to Race 3 even if the incident occurred in Race 2.

Protests will be heard at the AYC as soon as possible.

NOTE: This is a friendly club regatta – aggressive sailing and protests are discouraged.