



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2024 Race to the Park

Saturday, September 21st

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The official notice board for NoRs, SIs and NoSs is online at:
<https://nextsailor.com/regatta/2024RTTP> (QR Code above) and also posted in hardcopy on the BBSC corkboard in LJ Schooner's Oyster Bar (in the big-screen TV area).
- 2.2. The competitor's meeting will be in-person at the Bluewater Bay Marina per the schedule written in 6. (below).
- 2.3. Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted as soon as they take effect. Changes made at the skipper's meeting will be posted following the skipper's meeting.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The race is open to all boats. Entries without a GYA PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Fleet Captain.
- 3.2. Boats may register electronically at the link noted in 2.1 above.
- 3.3. Fees: The PHRF entry fee is \$30 per boat per race, or one-time \$200 for the season.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. No signals are planned to be made from ashore if race committee is on station on the water. If race committee is not on station, signals will be displayed from the end of the elevated dock that extends westward from the beach-area of the Bluewater Bay Marina Complex.
- 4.2. When flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with, "not less than 30 minutes" for RRS race signals regarding "AP."

5. CLASSES

- 5.1. One Class, "X-Class:" X-Class is a back-calculated rating based on prior performance in BBSC events. Contact the Fleet Captain (info below) with questions.
- 5.2. Class Flag will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Saturday, September 21st:
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| 09:30 | In-Person Registration @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion |
| 10:30 | Competitor's meeting |
| 11:55 | First Warning |
| 14:00 ish | Picnic & Awards @ Lincoln Park |



7. CHECK IN

- 7.1. Attendance & participation in the competitor's meeting will constitute as "checked in." Any significant changes of registration information shall be communicated to the race-committee prior to the first warning signal as an "amended check in."

8. RACECOURSES: Depending on wind, we'll choose one of these before registration.

8.1. RTTP A:

- Start: Nelson Pt. Gazebo & Dropped Mark (IVO N30 30.3 W086 26.8)
- Grass Lake Dropped Mark (IVO N37 27.7 W086 26.0) Starboard
- Boggy 1 Starboard
- Boggy 3 & 4 Gate
- Finish - East of Lincoln Park Boat Ramp Dock: Dropped Ball (IVO N30 30.5 W086 29.1)

▪ Distance: 7.8.NM

8.2. RTTP B:

- Start: Nelson Pt. Gazebo & Dropped Mark (IVO N30 30.3 W086 26.8)
- Rocky 1 (Boundary) Starboard
- Boggy 1 Starboard
- Boggy 3 & 4 Gate
- Finish: - East of Lincoln Park Boat Ramp Dock: Dropped Ball (IVO N30 30.5 W086 29.1)

▪ Distance: 6.0 NM

8.3. RTTP C:

- Start: Wed Night Ball (IVO N30 29.6 W086 27.1)
- Grass Lake Dropped Mark (IVO N37 27.7 W086 26.0) Starboard
- Boggy 1 Starboard
- Boggy 3 & 4 Gate
- Finish: - East of Lincoln Park Boat Ramp Dock: Dropped Ball (IVO N30 30.5 W086 29.1)

▪ Distance: 7.1 NM

8.4. RTTP D:

- Start: Wed Night Ball (IVO N30 29.6 W086 27.1)
- Rocky 1 (Boundary) Starboard
- Boggy 1 Starboard
- Boggy 3 & 4 Gate
- Finish: - East of Lincoln Park Boat Ramp Dock: Dropped Ball (IVO N30 30.5 W086 29.1)

▪ Distance: 5.3 NM

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Non-government marks shall be described at the competitor's meeting.
- 9.2. The coordinates for dropped marks will be updated maybe at the competitor's meeting.



10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be described at the competitor's meeting.
- 10.2. The committee boat make & model will be described at the competitor's meeting.
- 10.3. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line before her starting signal and she is identified, the RC may broadcast her sail number on the pre-briefed VHF radio channel. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, untimeliness of the hail, the order of hail, or failure to hail all or some boats shall not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. Race Committee on Station: The finishing line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the dropped mark IVO the Lincoln Park boat ramp dock.
- 11.2. Late Finish / RC Not on Station: The race committee *should* be on station to record your finish. If not, finish on a line between the dropped ball and the Lincoln Park boat ramp dock. Note your finish time and contact race committee.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. RRS 44.1 is changed such that a Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by One-turn penalty for Part 2 and Rule 31 violations, except two turns when in the zone around a mark.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. Protest forms are available from the race committee (as conditions and situation permits), and from the Fleet Captain.
- 13.2. Protests, request for redress, and request for reopening shall be delivered to the Race committee or Fleet Captain within the posted protest time limit.
- 13.3. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee signal boat has returned and the RC has returned.
- 13.4. Persons will be notified, and notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. The race shall be scored as a single race with one class.

15. SAFETY

- 15.1. Notify the Race Committee as soon as possible if retiring from the race.
- 15.2. Approaching Boggy Bayou, be aware of the enhanced opportunities to avoid collision with other vessels in this area. Be aware of the opportunity to avoid commercial (barge) traffic. Do not hesitate to use Channel 16 to coordinate safe passage.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1. The RC will transmit/receive with competitors on VHF channel 72.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Preliminary results and awards for the top three finishers will be announced after the race.



18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1. RRS 3 States the following: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that each skipper is responsible for his/her vessel and crew.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

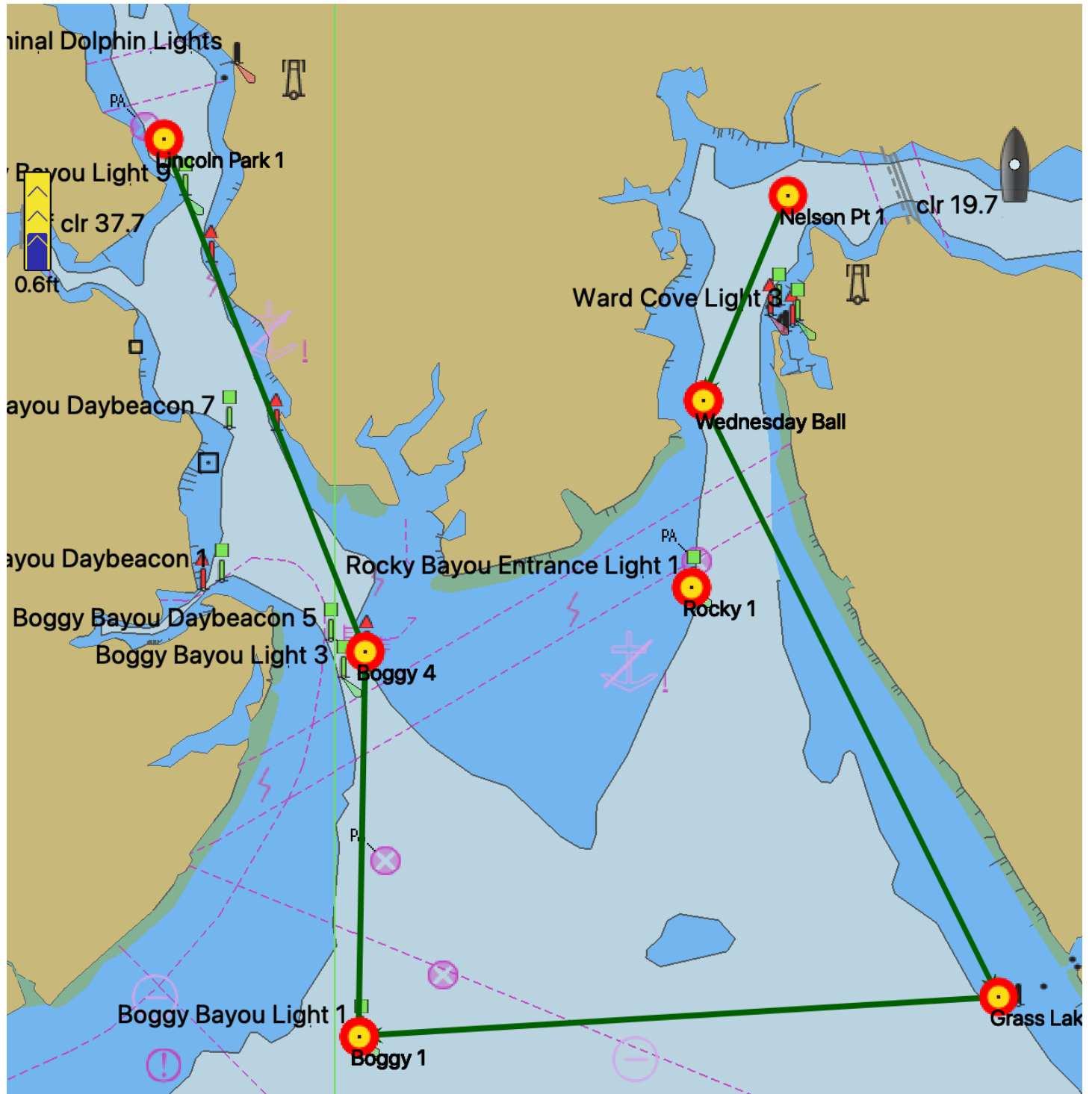
- 19.1. Race registration and information on nextSailor:
<https://nextsailor.com/regatta/2023BBSCRTTP> ***QR Code top of page***
- 19.2. The BBSC will have some powerboats available to help bring people to and from anchor to the park. If you plan to sail with a dinghy and can help with this, please contact the fleet captain.
- 19.3. Fleet Captain Contact: Joseph "RAMSTY" Siberski
PHRF-Fleet-Captain@BBSC.com
(702) 686-9042

20. REVISIONS: 1



APPENDIX A: Course Diagrams

RTTP A:





RTTP B:





BLUEWATER BAY SAILING CLUB



RTTP C:





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RTTP D:

