## San Fernando Valley Yacht Club

## Eighth Annual Lake Piru Sailing Regatta, May 1st & 2nd, 2004

## **Sailing Instructions**

RULES: The Regatta will be governed by the 2001-2004 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, applicable Class Rules, and these Sailing Instructions.

ENTRIES: Will be accepted on race day, upon completion of an entry form, and payment of a \$15.00 fee.

CLASSES: A minimum of four boats is required to establish a One Design Class. There will also be a Portsmouth Handicap Class.

PERSONAL BUOYANCY: All competitors are required to wear personal buoyancy.

SKIPPERS MEETING: A Skipper's Meeting will be held on Saturday at 9:00am, and on Sunday at 9:00am on the patio of the Snack Bar.

SCHEDULE: The first warning signal on each day will be announced at the Skipper's meeting.

The Regatta may include a minimum of five scored races, three on Saturday and two on Sunday.

A minimum of three races will constitute a complete regatta.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CHANGES: Will be posted following the Skipper's meeting. The order of starts of the classes will be included in this posting. Oral instructions given by the Race Committee from its station will be valid only when Code Flag "L" is displayed. (Changes 88.2c).

THE START: The Starting Line is illustrated on the Course Chart. The Starting Signals will be:

Signal	FLAG	ACTION	SOUND	TIME BEFORE START
Warning	Class Flag	Up	One Sound	5 Minutes
Preparatory	Code Flag P	Up	One Sound	4 Minutes
One Minute	Code Flag P	DOWN	Long Sound	1 Minute
Starting	Class Flag	DOWN	One Sound	0 Minutes

Although not mentioned in the RRS, a Race Committee may provide an alert signal of their choice prior to the Warning Signal. It may be a flag, multiple sounds, or both, and will be made approximately one minute prior to the warning flag.

**Important:** The official signals are the FLAGS not the SOUNDS.

COURSES: The course to be sailed in each race will be selected from the Course Chart.

A number pennant will be displayed at the Preparatory Signal for each class to indicate its course.

FINISH: The normal Finish Line will be the same as the Starting Line. The Course may be shortened at any mark, using a Race Committee Boat displaying a Code Flag "S".

TIME LIMIT: Any boat that is unreasonable delaying the progress of the Regatta may be scored DID NOT FINISH. (Changes RRS A2).

SCORING: The low point system of RRS A2 shall be applicable. The series score for each boat shall be the total of its Individual scores in all valid races and no score shall be excluded. (Changes RRS A2).

PROTESTS: RRS 61.1(a) is changed to be applicable to all lengths of boats, and will be strictly applied. Protest must be filed within 30 minutes of race completion each day, and will be heard as soon as possible.

PRICES will be awarded at the Snack Bar Patio after conclusion of Racing.