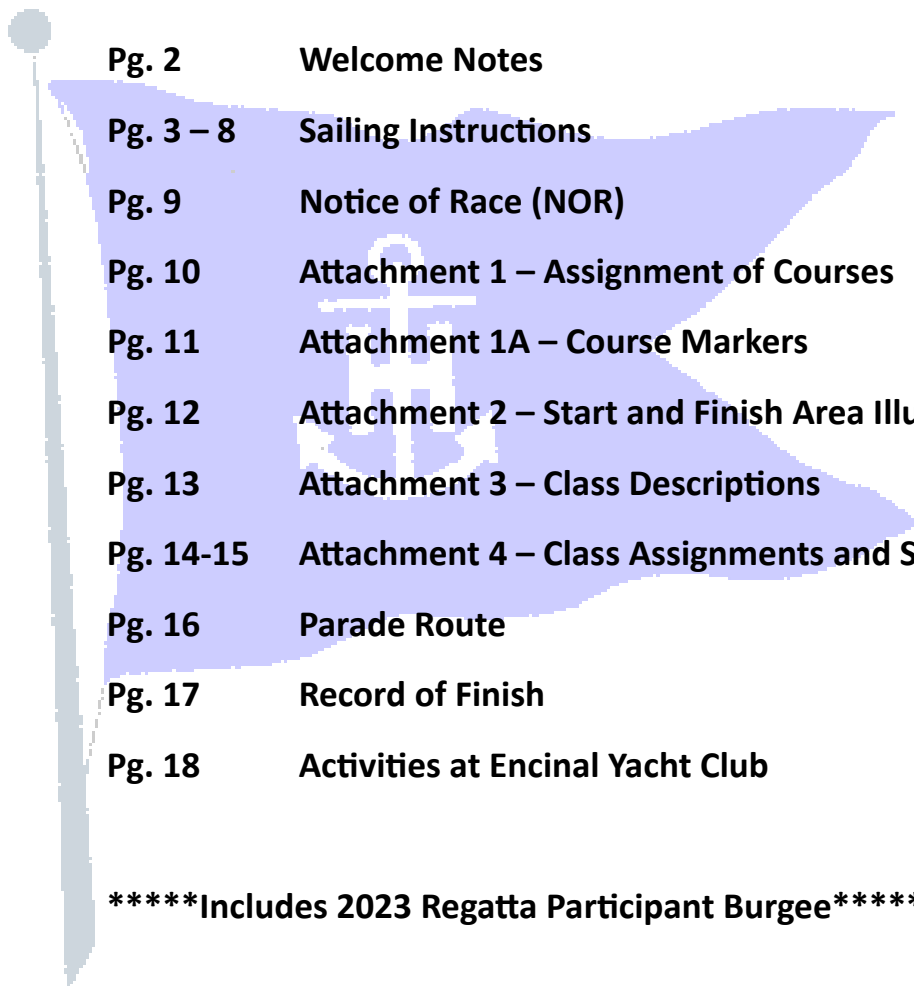


2023

Master Mariners Regatta

In this Race Packet.....



Pg. 2	Welcome Notes
Pg. 3 – 8	Sailing Instructions
Pg. 9	Notice of Race (NOR)
Pg. 10	Attachment 1 – Assignment of Courses
Pg. 11	Attachment 1A – Course Markers
Pg. 12	Attachment 2 – Start and Finish Area Illustration
Pg. 13	Attachment 3 – Class Descriptions
Pg. 14-15	Attachment 4 – Class Assignments and Start Times
Pg. 16	Parade Route
Pg. 17	Record of Finish
Pg. 18	Activities at Encinal Yacht Club

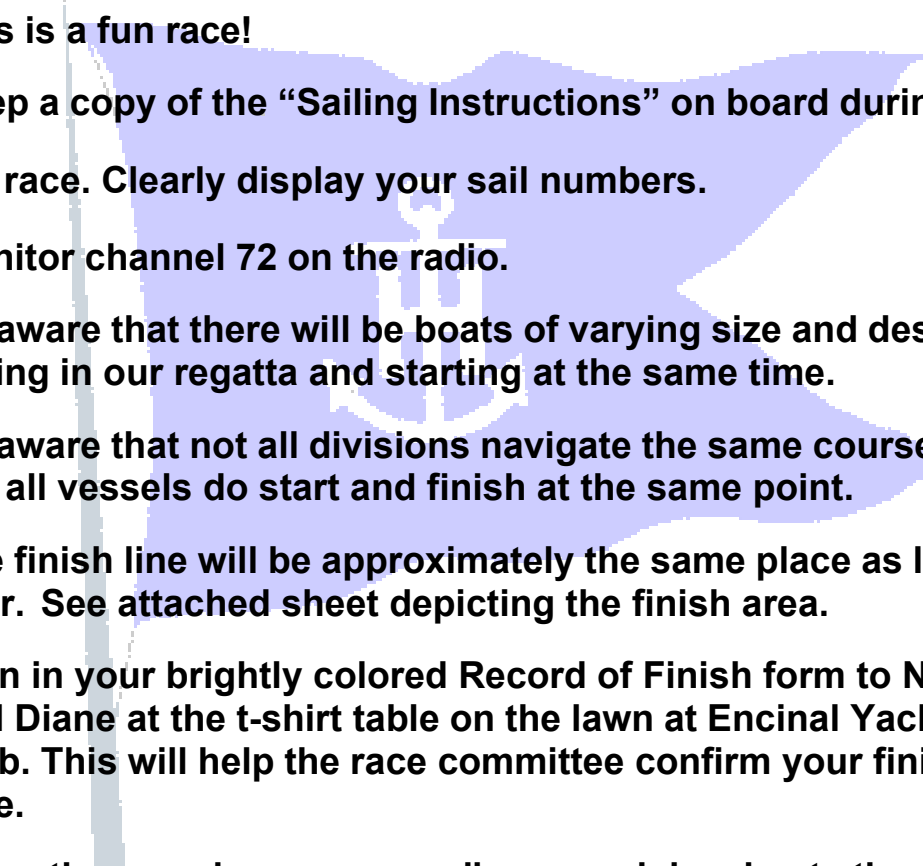
*******Includes 2023 Regatta Participant Burgee*******

Please review everything before the race

2023

Master Mariners Regatta

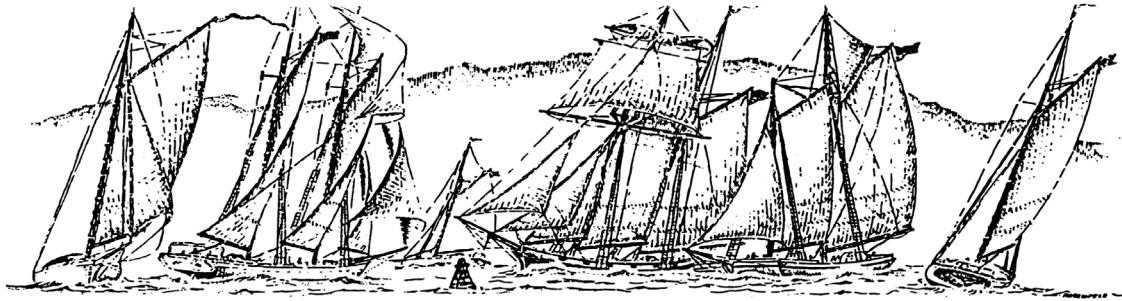
Welcome! Some important things to keep in mind...

- 
- ⚓ **This is a fun race!**
 - ⚓ **Keep a copy of the “Sailing Instructions” on board during the race. Clearly display your sail numbers.**
 - ⚓ **Monitor channel 72 on the radio.**
 - ⚓ **Be aware that there will be boats of varying size and design racing in our regatta and starting at the same time.**
 - ⚓ **Be aware that not all divisions navigate the same course, but all vessels do start and finish at the same point.**
 - ⚓ **The finish line will be approximately the same place as last year. See attached sheet depicting the finish area.**
 - ⚓ **Turn in your brightly colored Record of Finish form to Neil and Diane at the t-shirt table on the lawn at Encinal Yacht Club. This will help the race committee confirm your finish time.**
 - ⚓ **Enjoy the awards ceremony, dinner, and dancing to the music of *Painted Waves* at Encinal YC**

Most Importantly....

Be Safe, Have Fun & Sail Fast

**Liz Diaz & Lindsey Klaus
Regatta Co-Chairs**



SAN FRANCISCO BAY MASTER MARINERS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

Master Mariners Regatta

San Francisco Bay

Saturday, May 27th, 2023, Memorial Day Weekend

Organizing Authority: Sausalito Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

This regatta shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, these Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race.

The MMBA strongly suggests the wearing of personal flotation devices and practice of man overboard recovery techniques.

2. DISPLAY OF FLAG(S) & ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Each yacht shall display at least one flag. The flag may be your sponsors flag, the MMBA race flag, the MMBA burgee, the MMBA jack, the flag of the United States, or the yacht ensign of the United States. Failure to display a flag will result in a one (1) minute penalty being assessed to the yachts finishing time.
- 2.2** No advertising shall be displayed on yachts participating in this regatta except advertising for the yacht's official MMBA Regatta Sponsor.

3. YACHT IDENTIFICATION

- 3.1** RRS 77 is replaced by the following: All yachts shall display racing numbers (or letters) that shall be at least 18-inches high or conforming to RRS rules Appendix G - GI .2. They can be carried on your mainsail, or on a board or cloth fastened to either lifelines or shrouds.
- 3.2** Highly visible contrasting colors shall be used.
- 3.3** The numbers must be visible on both sides of the yacht while crossing the start and finish lines.
- 3.4** All yachts that have not indicated a racing number on their regatta application have been assigned a number, as indicated in their regatta acceptance letter, which must be displayed in accordance with the rules of section 3.1 & 3.2.

4. ON-THE-WATER COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1** The race committee may use VHF channel 72 to communicate information about the race.
- 4.2** A yacht that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 72.

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Any notices will be emailed to competitors and posted on www.sfmastermariners.org no later than 2000 hrs. May 26th.

6. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

No changes shall be made to the sailing instructions (MMRSI) after May 26, 2000 hrs.

7. DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

Description of marks is described in Attachment #1A on Page 11.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 Assigned Courses for each class are described in Attachment #1.
- 8.2 Yachts will be assigned to one of the MMR classes described in Attachment #3.
- 8.3 An MMR class with less than 5 entrants may be combined with another MMR class at the discretion of the Race Chairman.
- 8.4 Courses will not be shortened after the Start.

9. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 9.1 The Class Assignment and Start Time of each yacht are described in Attachment #4. Page 14 & 15.
- 9.2 Any change in classes or combining of classes will be made no later than May 26, 2000 hrs.
- 9.3 Number of Races, this is a single race regatta.

10. RACING AREA

- 10.1 The Racing Area is shown in Attachment #1A, Course Markers.
- 10.2 The marks of this regatta are permanent marks of the San Francisco Bay or the YRA with the exceptions of the mark designating South Hampton Shoal and the mark designating the end of the finish line. Note that Yellow Bluff (YB) is now permanent and also known as the Hank Easom Buoy.

11. SAILING A PROPER COURSE

Per RRS 28.1 A boat shall *start, sail the course* and then *finish*. While doing so, she may leave on either side a *mark* that does not begin, bound or end the leg she is sailing. After *finishing* she need not cross the finishing line completely.

12. RESTRICTED AREAS

For the purposes of RRS rules 18 and 28, the following are considered obstructions per RRS 19 and shall be considered restricted areas as if a point of land extended from the shore to the buoy or piling. This precludes passing between the shore and the obstruction marked.

- The area between the shore and Anita Rock buoy
- The vertical "H" beam off the Water Quality Control Plant West of St. Francis Yacht Club
- The bell buoy off the West end of Alcatraz
- The Point Blunt buoy off Angel Island

13. TOUCHING A MARK

This changes RRS 31: While racing, a yacht shall not touch a starting mark before starting, a mark that begins, rounds, or ends a leg of the course on which she is sailing, or a finishing mark after finishing. (RRS 31).

A yacht that has broken RRS 31 may, after getting well clear of other boats, exonerate the infraction by taking a MMR penalty turn (see definition below) before reaching the next mark of the course.

When a yacht touches a finishing mark, she may complete the penalty turn on either side of the finish line but must return completely to the course side of the finish line before finishing.

Definition: A Master Mariners Regatta penalty turn shall consist of a 360° turn in the same direction that includes one tack and one gibe. This changes RRS 44.1
Also see definition of racing.

14. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART II OF THE RRS

This changes RRS rule 44.1: A yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the RRS and no contact between yachts has been made may exonerate the penalty by taking a MMR penalty turn before reaching the next mark.

Definition: A Master Mariners Regatta penalty turn shall consist of a 360° turn in the same direction that includes one tack and one gibe. This changes RRS 44.1

15. THE START

15.1 Attachment #2 describes the Starting Area

The starting area is defined by an imaginary box formed between Mark A and X and the seawall between the Golden Gate and St. Francis Yacht Clubs

The starting line will be between Mark X and an orange flag on the Committee Boat anchored to the West of Mark A.

Mark A will mark the western end of the starting line. Mark A may or may not, be located exactly on the starting line, but must be left to port.

Yachts shall pass through the starting line from South to North leaving Mark X to the East and Mark A to the west.

Yachts shall not cross the starting line except when preparing to start or starting.

Yachts other than those preparing to start, within 5 minutes of starting, shall remain clear of the starting area.

RRS 26 is changed to read: The races will be started as follows: A five (5) minute starting sequence will be used. After initial warning and preparatory signals, each succeeding group's preparatory period will be initiated by the start for the preceding group and indicated by the hoisting of a red shape.

Master Mariners Regatta Signaling System.

Warning Signal	Yellow Shape	1 Sound	10 Minutes
Preparatory Signal	Blue Shape	1 Sound	5 Minutes
1 st Starting Signal	Red Shape	1 Sound	0 Minutes
Next Group Start	Red Shape	1 Sound	5 Minute Intervals

15.2 In the MMRSI signaling system, each visual signal shall be lowered one minute before the next visual signal is made.

15.3 Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of the sound signal shall be disregarded.

15.4 Postponement - This changes RRS 27.3. Due to the very large size of our fleet, every effort will be made to start on time and avoid any postponement. If extreme weather or accident should cause delay, the standard postponement signal will be flown (Pennant AP), after two successive signals (horn or gun). Racers should monitor channel VHF 72 under these circumstances. After such postponement, the starting sequence in 16.1 above will be re-started.

To start the sequence after a postponement, the race committee will lower the AP flag with one Sound (horn or gun). One minute later the Yellow Shape will be hoisted with one Sound (horn or gun), which will be the Warning Signal.

15.5 If a postponement has been made, code flag "W" will be displayed to indicate the starting times have changed. In no event will the order of starts change. Please monitor VHF channel 72 for details.

15.6 Late starting – Vessels starting after their designated start time are required to stand-off and give way to vessels that are starting on time.

16. RECALLS

RRS 29 is changed to read: Neither individual nor general recall will be signaled by the Committee Boat. Yachts starting prematurely by less than one minute will be penalized 2 minutes in computing their final elapsed time and time to finish. Due to vessel maneuverability concerns, yachts are discouraged from trying to return to the proper side of the starting line within 1 minute of their start.

Yachts starting prematurely by more than one minute will be disqualified, unless they return and pass through the starting line again, after their designated starting time. The race committee will attempt to notify a yacht starting prematurely by more than one minute via radio communications on VHF Channel 72.

17. THE FINISH

Attachment #2 describes the Finishing Area.

The finish line will be an imaginary line between an orange flag displayed on the Committee Boat and a temporary orange yacht club mark. The Committee Boat anchored East of Treasure Island shall be left to the West when finishing.

The Race Committee will look for your racing numbers at the finish, and if not visible, you may be considered DNF.

Yachts shall fill out and turn in your "Finish Time" form at the drop off box located at the T-shirt booth at "Encinal" as soon as you can after docking. Thereby helping the race committee resolve any question of finish times for each yacht.

18. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for this race is 1730 hrs. Yachts failing to finish within the time limit will be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF).

19. PROTESTS

- 19.1** All yachts shall inform the protested yacht by hailing immediately and then by the display of a red flag as soon as possible after the incident. (The USSA Appeals book interprets "as soon as possible" as less than 20 seconds, unless there was injury or major damage. Their interpretation of a red flag is "red flag that cannot be mistaken for anything other than a red flag").
- 19.2** A protesting yacht is required to notify the Race Committee of her intention to protest at the time she finishes. The Race Committee can be contacted on VHF Channel 72.
- 19.3** Protests shall be submitted in writing on official forms available in the RRS or on an MMBA protest form available at the MMBA T Shirt table on the EYC lawn. Protest filing time limit shall be 1830 hrs. Protests will be heard at a time and place to be determined as needed.

20. SCORING

This rule changes RRS rule Appendix A4.

Yachts racing in all classes will be scored against competitors in their respective classes.

For all classes except Ocean 1 and Ocean 2, the yacht finishing first shall be the winner; the yacht finishing second shall be second and so forth until all yachts have finished. Handicaps for yachts are predetermined, except in the Ocean Classes, and have been adjusted to the starting sequence. A yacht finishing ahead of another yacht in her class will have beaten the trailing yacht and all other yachts finishing behind her.

Ocean classes will have handicaps applied at the finish. An Ocean Class Vessel may finish the course ahead of another Ocean Class Vessel only to be scored behind the trailing vessel due to the adjusted handicapping.

21. SAFETY REGULATIONS and OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 21.1** Responsibility to start or continue the race shall be the sole responsibility of the racing yacht. The Coast Guard Marine Permit requires that competing yachts must comply with U.S. Coast Guard requirements for recreational vessels.
- 21.2** Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel, which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway (see US Dept. of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified who endanger their own safety, other sail boats, or that of a commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by a Race Committee (RC) or contestant and face possible disqualification. RRS 60.3 is modified to add (d) to read: A hearing for allegations of the above will be instigated by a protest committee if notified by government, commercial or individual vessel of possible infraction. It shall also extend the time limit under RRS 61.3 to accept the information. A DSQ for a safety violation shall be considered as a disqualification not excludable (DNF).

22. MINIMUM EQUIPMENT:

Boats must comply with the United States Coast Guard's requirements for recreational vessels, RRS 1.2. Notices of other special security precautions and regulation are described in attachment 5 if required.

23. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each of the classes as follows: First, second and third place trophies will be awarded when there are ten or fewer entrants; a fourth-place trophy will be awarded when there are more than ten entrants; and a fifth-place trophy will be awarded when there are more than fifteen entrants.

Additionally, the following perpetual trophies will be awarded:

The **Lyle Galloway Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the yacht with the best elapsed time in the "under 30 feet on deck" group, of any rig.

The **Billiken Trophy** will be awarded to the Gaff 1 division yacht with the best elapsed time.

The **Dead-Eye Trophy** will be awarded to the Marconi yacht "over 30 feet on deck" with the best elapsed time, any rig, non-Ocean class.

The **Baruna Trophy** will be awarded to the Ocean 1 Class yacht "over 40 feet on deck" that is first to finish.

The **Aloha Trophy** will be awarded to the Marconi 2 division yacht with the best elapsed time.

The **Homeward Bound Trophy** will be awarded to the Marconi 3 division yacht with the best elapsed time.

The **Kermit Parker Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the Gaff 2 division yacht with the best elapsed time.

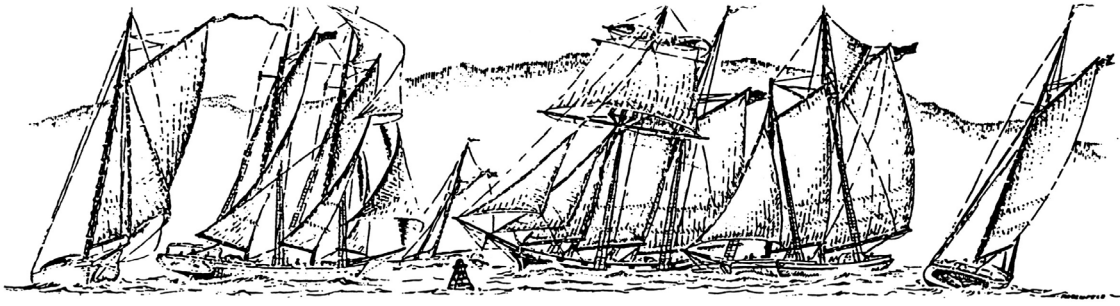
The **Farallon Clipper Trophy** will be awarded to the Farallon Clipper that is first to finish.

The **J. Everett Hanson Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the Bird Class Sloop that is first to finish.

The **L-36 Perpetual Trophy** will be awarded to the L-36 Class Sloop that is first to finish.

The **Gerry O'Grady Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the Bear Class Sloop that is first to finish.

The **Longest Distance Trophy** will be awarded to the yacht that travels on her own bottom the furthest to compete.



SAN FRANCISCO BAY MASTER MARINERS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

Master Mariner's Regatta

San Francisco Bay

Saturday, May 27th 2023, Memorial Day Weekend

Organizing Authority: Sausalito Yacht Club and MMBA

Notice of Race

24. **RULES** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
25. **CLASSIFICATIONS** Handicap ratings and start times will be at the discretion of the race committee. This is a pursuit race. A pursuit race has a staggered start with the slower boats starting first and the faster boats starting later. The start times are based on each boat's handicap. The first boat to finish wins, the second to finish is second, and so on.
26. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** The regatta is open to all member yachts of the Master Mariners Benevolent Association. Eligible vessels may enter online at www.sfmastermariners.org or by completing the attached Regatta application form, Vessel information sheet and Encinal YC berthing/reservation form and sending them, together with a check payable to **MMBA**, to Lindsey Klaus, Regatta Chair, PO Box 70640, Richmond, CA 94807 by May 10, 2023.
27. **RACE FEE** \$150 or \$120 if paid by Wednesday, May 10, 2023. Cut off: May 17, 2023.
28. **SCHEDULE** Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 17, 2023
Race Day: Saturday, May 27, 2023. One race per division.
First warning signal: 11:50am.
29. **RACE VENUE** San Francisco Bay courses beginning on the San Francisco city front and ending on the east side of Treasure Island, using a combination of fixed buoys and inflatable drop marks.
30. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Sailing instructions along with competitor start times will be posted on the MMBA website www.sfmastermariners.org no later than Friday, May 19, 2023 at 1200 hours. Results will be available after the race at the Encinal Yacht Club and posted on the website as soon as practical.
31. **ADVERTISING** Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. Yachts are allowed and encouraged to display additional advertising as provided by the yacht's sponsor.
32. **PRIZES** will be awarded to first through third place in each division.

After-race festivities include awards ceremony, dinner, drinks and dancing with a live band at the Encinal YC. If you are planning to attend, please complete and return the EYC berthing/reservation form.

Questions? Regatta Co-Chair: Liz Diaz (415) 730-2842. ejrosodiaz@gmail.com

ATTACHMENT 1

**Master Mariners Regatta Sailing
Instructions**

ASSIGNMENT OF COURSES

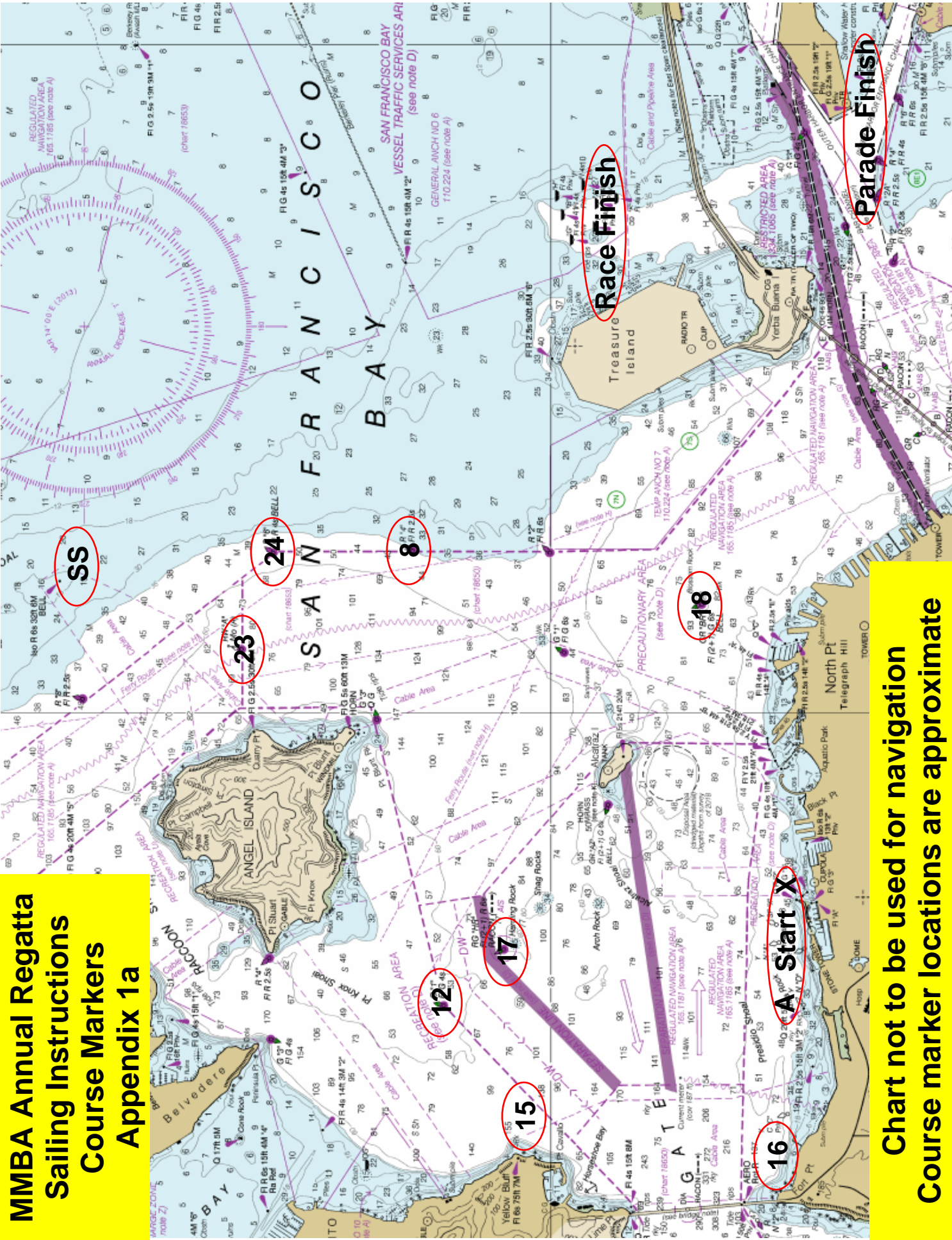
Course # 1	To be sailed by Class: M4 G3 BEAR Start → 12-P → 16-P → 18-P → 24-S → Finish	12.8 nm
Course # 2	To be sailed by Class: M1 M2 M3 L-36 Start → 12-P → 16-P → 18-P → SS-S → 8-P → Finish	15.6 nm
Course # 3	To be sailed by Class: OCEAN (Includes Farallon Clipper) Start → 12-P → 16-P → 18-P → 23-P → 17-P → Finish	17.0 nm
Course # 4 - Alt	To be sailed by Class: BS* G1 G2 Start → 12P → 15-P → 18-P → SS-S → Finish	14.2 nm
Course # 5	To be sailed by Bird class only Start → 12-P → 16-P → 18-P → 8-P → 17-P → Finish	

* This changes RRS-rule 28.1: For the "Big Schooner Division: a Big Schooner shall start, leave each mark on the required side in the correct order and finish so that a string representing her wake after starting and until she finishes would, when drawn taut pass each mark on the required side except that hitting a mark with a potato thrown from the Big Schooner will constitute a correct rounding, no matter which side of the mark the Big Schooner is on. Big Schooners shall be allowed to use their engine for 15 minutes during the race.

DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

Start	Between	Orange Flag on Committee Boat and "X". "A" is a limiting buoy and must be left to port
A	St Francis YC	Yellow Sphere "A" Outer buoy
X	Golden Gate YC	Yellow/Blue Sphere "X"
SS	South Hampton Shoal	Temporary Orange Inflatable (0.03 nm East South East of South Hampton Shoal Piles & Structure, Int R 6-sec 32ft 6m Bell)
8		R "4" FI R 4 sec (1 nm E of Pt. Blunt)
12	Little Harding Rock	G"1" FI G 4sec (1 nm SW Pt. Knox)
15	Easom (Yellow Bluff)	Lighted Yellow Column Buoy (Off Yellow Bluff, West of Harding Rock)
16	Blackaller (Crissy Field)	Yellow Sphere "C" (0.2 nm E Ft. Point)
17	Harding Rock	RG "HR" FI (2+1) R 6 sec (1 nm S Pt. Knox)
18	Blossom Rock	RG "BR" FI G 6 sec Bell (1 nm SE Alcatraz Is)
23		RW "A" Mo (A) (0.5 nm E Quarry Pt)
24		R "6" FI R 4 sec Bell (1 nm E Quarry Pt)
Finish	Between	Committee Boat off the SE side of Treasure Island and the Temporary Inflatable Marker.

**MMBA Annual Regatta
Sailing Instructions
Course Markers
Appendix 1a**

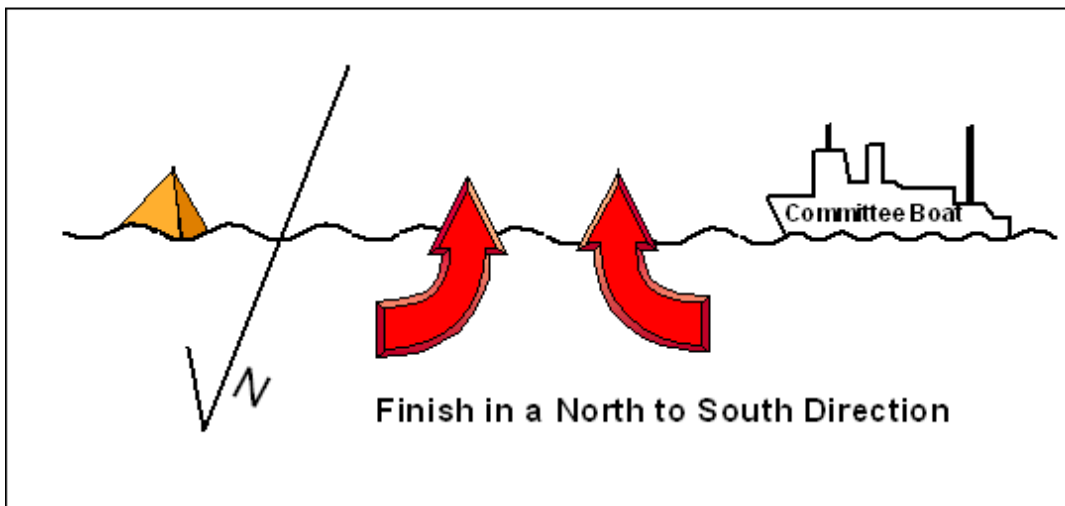
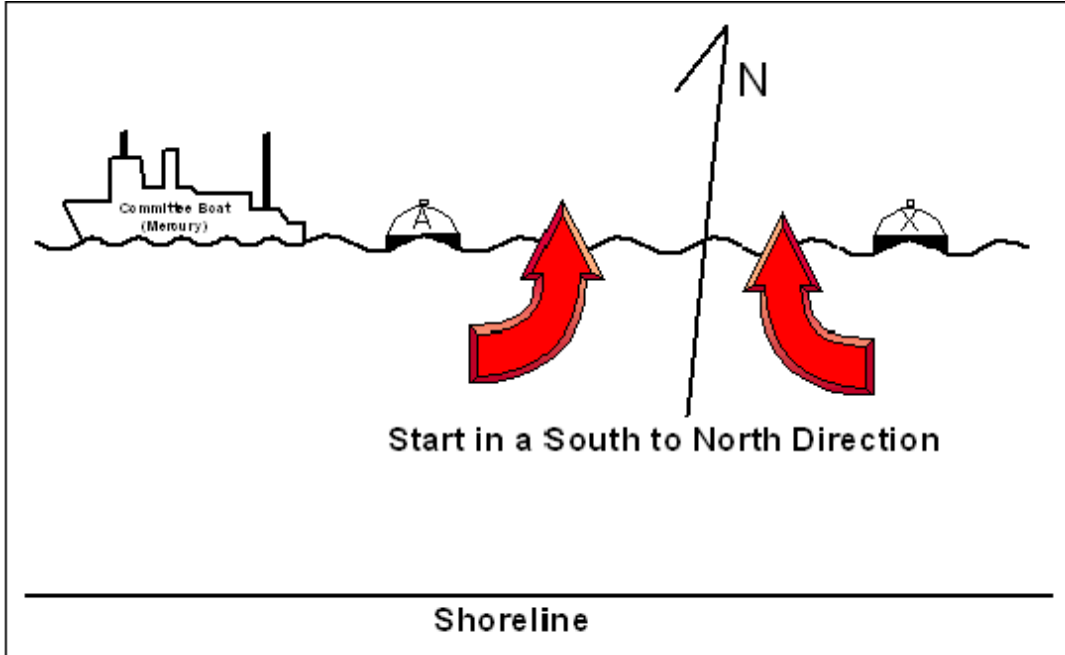


**Chart not to be used for navigation
Course marker locations are approximate**

ATTACHMENT 2

Master Mariners Regatta Sailing Instructions

Start & Finish Area Illustrated



**Master Mariners Regatta Sailing
Instructions**

Class Descriptions

BS – Big Schooner

M1 – Marconi rigged vessels 40 feet on deck and over

M2 – Marconi rigged vessels 35 feet to less than 40 feet on deck

M3 – Marconi rigged vessels 30 feet to less than 35 feet on deck

M4 – Marconi rigged vessels less than 30 feet on deck

G1 – Gaff Rigged vessels 40 feet on deck and over

G2 – Gaff Rigged vessels 30 feet to less than 40 feet on deck

G3 – Gaff Rigged vessels less than 30 feet on deck

OCEAN 2 (O-2) – Yachts over 30 feet to less than 40 feet on deck with NC PHRF Ratings that choose to compete in this class

OCEAN 1 (O-1) - Yachts over 40 feet on deck with NC PHRF Ratings that choose to compete in this class

FARALLON CLIPPER – One Design Class racing in the OCEAN 2 class

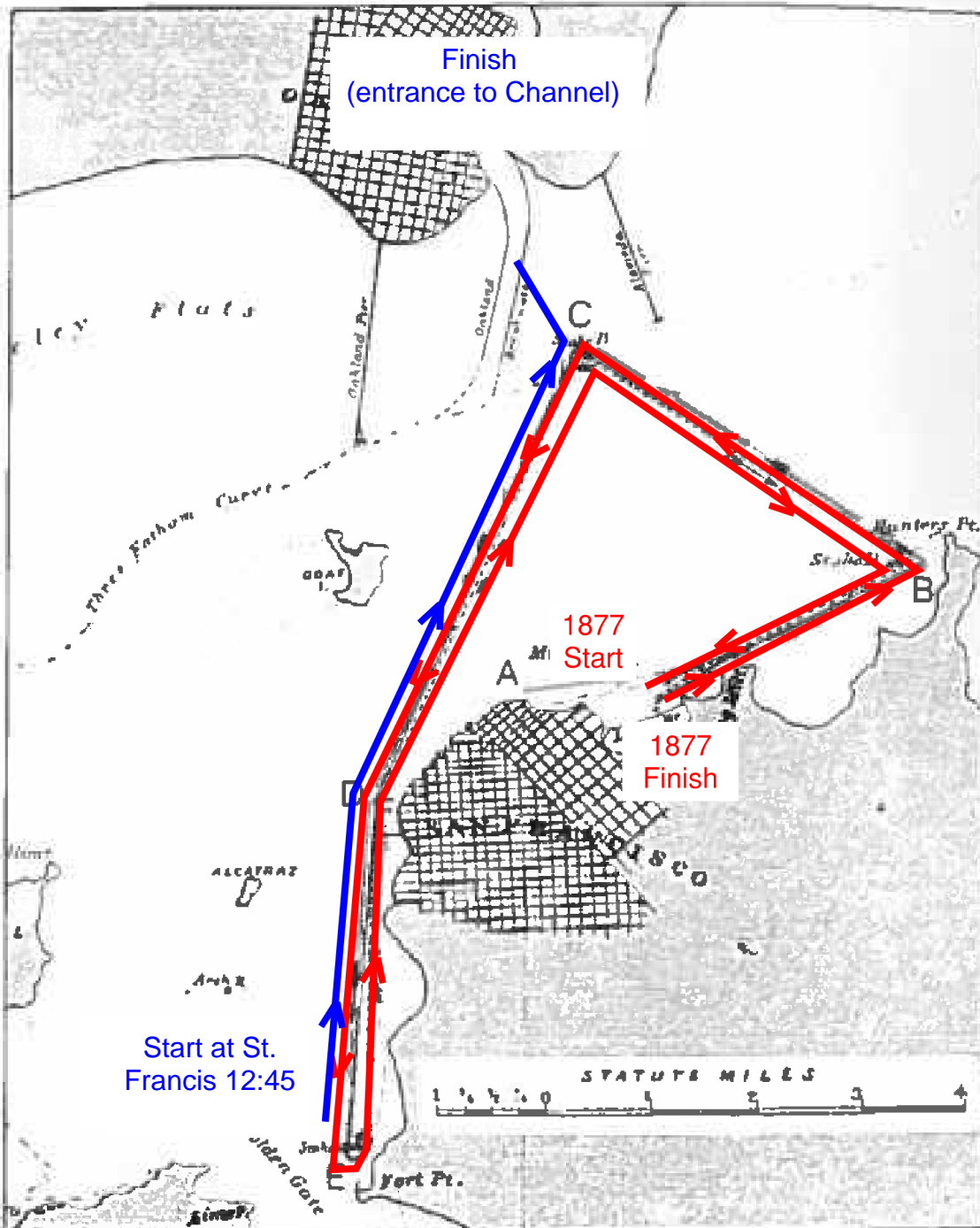
BIRD – One Design Class

BEAR – One Design Class

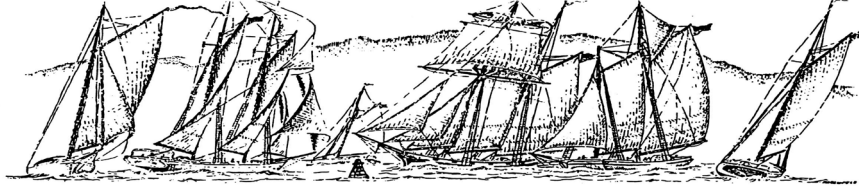
L-36 – One Design Class; The L-36 Division will be non-spinnaker.

----- This ends the Sailing Instructions -----

Master Mariners Benevolent Association Annual Regatta
PARADE CLASS COURSE
(superimposed on the 1877 MMBA regatta course)



The Parade Class is a non-competitive event intended to foster participation in the MMBA regatta. The 'Start' will be after the last racing start, and will follow a course not to interfere with any of the courses of the racing classes. As shown, the course is to be from the St. Francis, down the city front, keeping Blossom Rock to port, and on to the 'Finish' at the entrance to the Oakland Estuary (Oakland/Alameda inner harbor entrance channel). It follows two legs of the historic MMBA regatta course.



**MASTER MARINERS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

RECORD OF FINISH

2023 MASTER MARINERS REGATTA

**To ensure a prompt and almost accurate trophy ceremony following the Regatta
PLEASE TURN IN THIS FORM AT THE T-SHIRT TABLE UPON ARRIVAL AT ENCINAL**

(On the lawn at the Encinal Yacht Club. All forms to be turned in by 1800 hrs)

YACHT: _____

CLASS: _____

SAIL NUMBER: _____

FINISH TIME: _____

YACHT FINISHING IMMEDIATELY AHEAD (ANY CLASS)

NAME: _____

SAIL NUMBER: _____

YACHT FINISHING IMMEDIATELY BEHIND (ANY CLASS)

NAME: _____

SAIL NUMBER: _____

SKIPPER'S SIGNATURE _____

**Thank You for your Cooperation
Lindsey Klaus & Liz Diaz, Regatta Co-Chairs**

2023

Master Mariners Regatta

Activities at Encinal YC – Regatta Weekend

Saturday Afternoon – On the Lawn

- ⚓ The EYC Port Captain will monitor VHF Channel 72
- ⚓ Tiki Bar by the pool opens @ 3:00P.M.
- ⚓ Music starts playing @ 3:30P.M.
- ⚓ T-Shirts & other fine fashion apparel will be on sale

Saturday Dinner:

- ⚓ This year dinner will be provided by the food truck, Super Mario.
- ⚓ If you're feeling a bit more civilized, dinner is being served in the upstairs dining room, reservations required, and we recommend making them early.

Music & Dancing – Painted Waves:

- ⚓ Music by the band Painted Waves will start at 7:30P.M.
- ⚓ Music will continue until 10:00PM

Awards Ceremony:

- ⚓ Starts Approximately 6:30P.M.
- ⚓ Trophies, Cock of the Walk Flags, Prizes, etc.

Sunday Breakfast:

- ⚓ Master Mariner Hosted Continental Breakfast
- ⚓ Time: 8:00A.M. to 10:00A.M.
- ⚓ Encinal Yacht Club will not be providing breakfast

