



2010 O'Dark Thirty Series Notice of Race

**Registration & Skippers Meeting – Friday August 13, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
Races Each Friday - August 20 through September 17**

General Information: The O-Dark:30 Series is considered an "open" race and does not require yacht club affiliation. All entrants must have a minimum crew of 2 and must meet all U.S. Coast Guard safety requirements. Entrants not complying with these requirements will not be recognized as a race entrant by the Race Committee upon check in at the start of the race.

Rules: This event will be governed by OYC sailing instructions, which will be made available at the skippers meeting.

Non Spinnaker Class: No spinnakers are allowed for this series. Handicaps will be determined using an entrant's current Southern California PHRF rating certificate. Competitors who do not have a PHRF certificate will be rated in accordance with the current PHRF handicap ratings for same or similar vessels. Starting times announced at the Skippers meeting August 13, 2010 and subsequently posted on the OYC office window. Non-spinnaker offsets will be used to establish the handicap rating for the O'Dark series.

Eligibility: Competitors must sign an entry form to release OYC from any liability and to agree to abide by the rules identified above.

Registration: At 7:30 – 8:00 PM on August 13, 2010 at Oceanside Yacht Club.

Fee: \$20 for OYC members. \$40 for non-OYC members. A \$1 discount will be given to members of the US Sailing Association upon presentation of a current USSA

Skippers meeting: At 8:00 PM on August 13, 2010 (immediately following registration) at Oceanside Yacht Club.

Start times: The first warning signal will be at 5:55 PM, and the first start will be at 6:00 PM. GPS time will be used. There will be one minute intervals between starts. Start times for competitor will be announced at the Skippers meeting August 13 for the first race of the series. Competitors' start times for races 2 through 5 will be posted no later than 5:00 pm at Oceanside Yacht Club on the day of the race. The two last place boats in each race will start one minute earlier the following week. Any competitor is limited to two one-minute adjustments and no competitor can start before 5:59 p.m.

Courses: Courses chart will be made available at the skippers meeting. Courses will be sailed in waters in the vicinity of the Oceanside harbor with the start in the out basin. Dredging may interfere with normal navigation so skippers must be alert to equipment that presents a hazard.

Scoring: Scoring will be based on the traditional low point system. Competitors must participate in at least four of five races to be eligible for the overall O-Dark Series trophy. The competitor with the lowest total points for the best four finishes of the five races will be the O'Dark champion. There is one throw out.

Results and Trophies: Results will be posted at OYC, in the Twixt newsletter, and on the club's website, <http://www.oceansideyc.com/>, subsequent to each race. Trophies for the overall O-Dark: 30 Series will be awarded on September 17, 2010 following that day's race.