

Why “Un-Regattas”?

To provide an alternative for those not attracted by conventional racing. Goal is to put more emphasis on fun and sportsmanship than race results. Gain skills and seamanship in attractive and non-threatening manner.

- Unconventional Courses
- Variety!!!!
- Lots of scores and lots of throw outs
- Low emphasis on results
- Unconventional Rules



“We have to develop kids
better in this country.”

- Ken Read

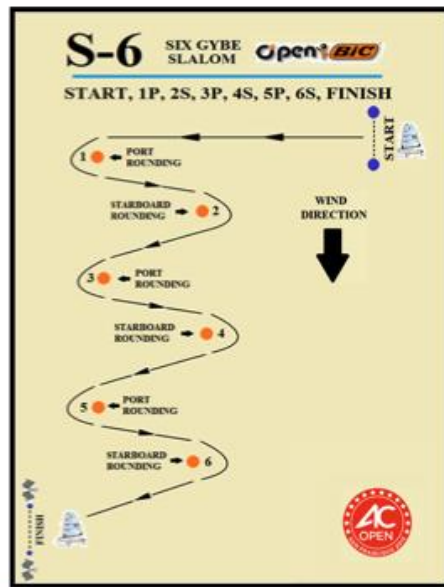
America's Cup announcer and
North Sails President



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AC O'Pen "Un-Regatta"



Unconventional “Un-Regatta” Courses



Giant Slalom Skiing



Fun skills 360s, capsizes, wheelies, etc.



Starts

- Reaching
- Downwind
- Random start within three minutes
- Capsize start
- Le Mans



Le Mans Start





Can you Limbo?



“Un-Regatta” Fundamental Rules

1 Rule Number One:

All sailors are required to participate in the spirit of fun at all times. Violators of Rule Number One may be publicly embarrassed.

2 Other Rules:

- 2.1 Starboard tack has right away over port tack. Leeward has right away over windward. Inside boat(s) have right away when approaching a turning mark.
 - 2.2 When capsizes or freestyle moves are required, you must make sure you are clear of all other sailors when you make the maneuver, and don't immediately obstruct other sailors. Capsizing or free-styling into another boat is NOT ok.
 - 2.3 Competitors shall attempt to remain on or near their vessels at all times. No boarding or “pirating” other boats unless required.
 - 2.4 Minor contact of the marks of the course is permitted. Contact that causes any damage, or the location of the mark to change, is not permitted.
 - 2.5 Hitting the Race Committee boat or start boat is always prohibited.
 - 2.6 Pumping: Pumping is not allowed except when conditions exist for planning or surfing, and only then to promote that activity. The Race Committee will fly a flag (type to be described in skippers' meeting) when such conditions exist.
 - 2.7 This event will be decided on the water and not in the protest room. It is the responsibility of every competitor to sail in a manner that is fair, that is safe, and with due respect of fellow competitors. Absolutely no intentional contact is permitted. In the event of an infraction, a competitor may exonerate themselves with a gentlemanly 360 degree penalty turn. If the Judges witness an infraction, they may direct the competitor to perform a penalty turn or turns. Protests will only be accepted in unusual or extreme circumstances.
 - 2.8 It is the intention of the Organizing Authority that further enforcement of the rules will not be needed. However, if necessary or in doubt, the standard ISAF Racing Rules of sailing shall apply for anything not outlined above. These rules are readily available on www.sailing.org.
3. When in doubt, refer back to Rule Number One.

Freestyle “Expression Session”



Freestyle guidelines

- Tandem or individual
- Team names
- Timing
- “Judging Area”
- Judge criteria(?)







Tandems





Why not costumes?



STEM “Un-Regattas”





VHYC “Chowder Race”





29er U.S. National Championships (23 boats)

11 races scored January 03, 2014

Pos,Sail, Skipper, Yacht Club

1. USA 8, Quinn Wilson/Riley Gibbs, SBYC/ABYC
- 2. USA 11, Nic Muller**/Kai Friesecke, Lauderdale YC
- 3. 1418, Geronimo Nores**/Scott Ewing, Miami Yacht Club
4. SLO 15, Peter Lin Janezic/Anze Podlogar, JK MIPC
5. USA 2251, Max Brill/Zach Malcolm, Mission Bay Yacht Club
6. 1131, Sean Brennan/Pere Puig, CRYC
- 7. USA1844**, Conner Harding/**Ian MacDiarmid**, USPA
- 8. 2190, Jacob Rosenberg**/Kyle Blair, ABYC / LBYC
9. USA 2001, Rhodes Garner/Briggs D'Eliscu, NHYC
10. CAN1442, Emily Merry/Max Flinn, RNSYS
11. USA1258, Lucas Pierce/Andrew Person, SBYC
12. 219, Michael Pacholski/Haydon Stapleton, RYC / SCYC
13. 2155, Jean Matthieu Bolland/Ben Strickland, KYC
14. 1472, Stephane Vinet/Sophie-Andree Vinet, Royal St Lawrence Yatch Club
15. USA200, Connor Corgard/Connor Corgard, RWU-YC
16. 1050, Lloyd Lyall/Andrew Moreno, Royal Vancouver YC
17. 1998, Michael Sabourin/Wells Drayton, NHYC
18. 251, Ivan Shestopalov/Ian Robinson, Coral Reef Yacht Club
19. 1261, Casper Ladefoged/Harry Schmidt, Royal Danish Yacht Club, RYC
20. 1440, Sam Thompson/William Fuse, Kingston Yacht Club
21. 1109, Veronika Zivna/Jakub Halouzka, YCSSS
22. NOR 697, Christina Black/Naomi Flanagan, Kingston Yacht Club
- 23. 258, Ceci Wollmann**/Jillian Eisener, Kingston Yacht Club

We're now seeing top sailors from "Un-Regattas" scoring highly in "conventional" regattas, qualifying for our Youth Worlds Team, etc.



Good things to have for “Un-Regattas”

- Megaphone
- Lots of marks and ability to set them
- Master of Ceremonies (attitude is everything)
- Required helmets in high wind?





1/ See an “Un-Regatta” demo
Friday 3:30-5:30pm

2/ Adding Adventure Sailing to your
Sailing Program - “Beyond Regattas”
next - 2:30pm San Marino Room



