

# 2021 ETHELLES WEST COAST SPRING SERIES

SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB, SAN DIEGO, CA

March through May 2021



## NOTICE OF REGATTA SERIES

### 1. VENUE / AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The San Diego Yacht Club, in conjunction with Etchells Fleet 13 – San Diego, invites members and associates of the International Etchells Class to the 2021 West Coast Spring Series (WCSS). Four individual regattas will be sailed on the waters off San Diego, south of Coronado and east of Point Loma in the Coronado Roads from March through May 2021. The Organizing Authority (OA) is Etchells Fleet 13 in conjunction with the San Diego Yacht Club (SDYC). Sailing World is the OA for the NOOD Regatta which will include the Etchells Class sailing the Bill Bennett Memorial Regatta.
- 1.2. Visiting competitors who wish boat storage and launching facilities at SDYC must contact the Dockmaster's Office at (619) 758-6308 or [dockmaster@sdyc.org](mailto:dockmaster@sdyc.org) to arrange for storage.
- 1.3. Etchells storage is available at SDYC on a limited basis and will be assigned on a first to request, first accepted basis. Fees may apply. Additional boat storage facilities in the vicinity to SDYC are available in the Point Loma area.

### 2. RULES

- 2.1. The 2021 International Etchells WCSS Regattas will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2. The following prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 40, 60.3, 61.4, 67, 76.1 and Appendix R only.
- 2.3. The NoR for the WCSS shall be applicable to the Etchells Class in the NOOD regatta.
- 2.4. The NOOD/Bill Bennett Memorial (March 20 - 21, 2021) and the Orca Bowl (May 15 - 16, 2021) regattas in the WCSS are classified as "Open Events" under Appendix A of the International Etchells Class rules, except that all skippers are required to be current members of the International Etchells Class Association.
- 2.5. The Mid-Winters West (April 9 - 11, 2021) and Pacific Coast Championships (April 24 - 25, 2020) in the WCSS are classified as "Sanctioned Events - Class C" under Appendix A of the International Etchells Class Association (IECA) Rules (<https://etchells.org/class/technical/rules-documents/rules>). The IECA Rules and Regulations will apply except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.6. The OA may require bow numbers to be installed on competing boats, if required bow numbers will be provided.
- 2.7. All competing boats shall carry a handheld VHF radio to be used exclusively for purposes of safety and Race Committee communications.
- 2.8. The Jury may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The WCSS is open to active skippers of the International Etchells Class. All crew are required to be Active or Associate members of the IECA for regattas classified as "Sanctioned Events - Class C".
- 3.2. A Corinthian division will be established. The division will be open to boats whose skipper and crew hold a valid Group 1 Classification in accordance with ISAF Regulation 22 – Sailor Classification Code (Apply here: <https://www.sailing.org/classification>).
- 3.3. Boats should register and pay online in advance the prescribed entry fee for each regatta by completing the online entry form for each of the four regattas. See NoR 4.0.

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- 3.4. Entries and full payment must be received by 1800 on the Wednesday preceding each regatta. Entries submitted later than the above dates and times may be accepted by the Organizing Authority subject to a \$50 late fee. *Due to Covid-19 the entry fee does not include any social events. Social plans will be released closer to the event as local guidelines change.*

## 4. SCHEDULE

### 4.1 **March 20 - 21, 2021** **NOOD/Bill Bennett Memorial Regatta**

*Open event, 7 races scheduled*

March 20th 0730-0930	Registration
March 20th 0900	Skippers meeting
Daily 0930	Tow out from La Playa Basin.
Daily 1125	First Warning 1125
Entry Fee	\$120.00
Entry Form	<a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13225">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13225</a>

### 4.2 **April 9 - 11, 2021** **Mid-Winters West Regatta**

*Sanctioned Event - Class C, 9 races scheduled*

April 8 - 1600 to 1800	Registration check-in and crew weigh-in (SDYC)
April 9 - 0800 to 0900	Registration check-in and crew weigh-in (SDYC)
April 9 - 0900	Skippers meeting
Daily - 0930	Tow out from La Playa Basin
Daily -1125	First Warning 1125
Entry Fee	\$120.00
Entry Form	<a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=1433">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=1433</a>

### 4.3 **April 24 - 25,2021** **Pacific Coast Championships (7 races scheduled)**

*Sanctioned Event - Class C, 9 races scheduled*

April 23 - 1600 to 1800	Registration check-in and crew weigh-in (SDYC)
April 24 - 0800 to 0900	Registration check-in and crew weigh-in (SDYC)
April 24 - 0900	Skippers meeting
Daily - 0930	Tow out from La Playa Basin
Daily - 1125	First Warning 1125
Entry Fee	\$80.00
Entry Form	<a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14339">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14339</a>

### 4.4 **May 15 - 16,2021** **Orca Bowl Regatta (7 races scheduled)**

*Open event, 7 races scheduled, no registration, crew weigh-in, or skippers meeting*

Daily - 0930	Tow out from La Playa Basin
Daily - 1125	First Warning 1125
Entry Fee	\$80.00
Entry Form	<a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14340">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14340</a>

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## 5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1. Registration for the NOOD/Bill Bennett Memorial Regatta (March 20-21, 2021) shall conform to NOOD San Diego NoR 6 (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=13225>).
- 5.2. Registration for “*Sanctioned Events - Class C*” events shall be as follows:
  - 5.2.1. Boats, rigs, and sails will not be measured, but shall be in compliance with IECA rules.
  - 5.2.2. Each boat shall present a valid Sail Measurement Card, Hull Card, and insurance (see NoR 15.1) at registration or by emailing it to [documents@etchellsfleet13.com](mailto:documents@etchellsfleet13.com).
  - 5.2.3. Competitors will declare from their sail card which sails they will use. No more than 1 mainsail, 2 spinnakers and 2 jibs, which have been previously measured will be used. Competitors can declare sails in person at registration or by entering the list of sails to the boats entry in Yacht Scoring prior to or during posted registration hours.
  - 5.2.4. Competitor’s weigh-in will be required at registration check-in. There shall be three or four persons on each boat and their total combined weight in light clothing at the time of registration shall be no more than 285 kg. (628.32 pounds).

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing instructions will be available at registration, as well as on the regatta website and posted on the official notice board located on the east side (facing the water) of the SDYC Sailing Center.

## 7. COURSES

- 7.1. The course configuration will be windward–leeward and may include offset marks and gates.

## 8. PENALTIES

- 8.1. A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty including one tack and one jibe when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 8.2. However, when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty, each turn including one tack and one jibe.

## 9. SCORING

- 9.1. For each individual regatta, the Low Point scoring system will apply. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, the boat’s score will be the total of her race scores. This change RRS A2.
- 9.2. To qualify for the overall 2021 WCSS awards, boats must count their place in the Mid-Winters West Regatta, and any two of the other three individual regattas (NOOD/Bill Bennett Memorial Regatta, Pacific Coast Championships, and Orca Bowl Regatta). Place scores from each individual regatta of the WCSS will be used with a Low Point Scoring System (1st Place = 1 point, 2nd Place = 2 points, 3rd Place = 3 points, etc.). The boat with the lowest score will be declared the winner of the 2021 West Coast Spring Series.
- 9.3. For the overall 2021 WCSS scoring, in the event one or more boats are tied after applying one throw out, the tiebreak winner(s) will be determined from the lowest regatta score at the Mid-Winters West Regatta.
- 9.4. A Corinthian class will be scored for those boats who meet NoR 3.2.

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## 10. PRIZES

- 10.1. For each individual regatta, the top three overall boats and the top three Corinthian boats will receive awards.
- 10.2. For the overall 2021 WCSS, the top three overall boats, and the top three Corinthian boats will receive awards.

## 11. TOWING

- 11.1. An attempt will be made to provide towing for competitors to the starting area if the wind is too light to sail. If available, tows will be made up in the Star Hoist Area and La Playa turning basin and will commence at approximately 0930. Towing is limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Please be ready with tow lines on a timely basis.

## 12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1. Coach and support boats must be registered with the OA prior to acting as a coach or support boat.
- 12.2. All registered coach and support boats will carry on board and operate while on the water a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.
- 12.3. Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from 30 minutes before the first scheduled Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. This 30-minute time will be signaled by the display of code flag Bravo with one sound signal, which will be removed one minute prior to the first scheduled Warning Signal of the day. Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate with or transfer provisions or equipment to or from their supported boats unless in a medical or emergency requirement threatening the health of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the Race Committee.

## 13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1. Hoisting facilities are available at SDYC. Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal of the first race for each regatta. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without an approved written request to the Principal Race Officer and the Technical Committee. This changes RRS 45.

## 14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1. The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 15. INSURANCE

- 15.1. Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is

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adequate prior to participating in this event. Proof of insurance shall be supplied with each entry upon registration, or by emailing the policy declaration page to the boat's entry to [documets@etchellsfleet13.com](mailto:documets@etchellsfleet13.com).

## 16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1. The 2021 WCSS website ([www.westcoastspringseries.com](http://www.westcoastspringseries.com)) will have links to entry forms for each regatta, the Notice of Regatta Series, Sailing Instructions, local housing information for San Diego, visiting boat and trailer storage details, SDYC information and more.

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