NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing authority Columbia Yacht Club

The *3 Crib Fiasco* is a regatta governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2013-2016 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, except as these are changed by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions

Date : August 20,2016 Entry Fee - below

Entry deadline - Wednesday August 17, 2016

This event is meant to benefit the Sea Scouts of the Chicago Area

When conflicts arise between NOR and Sailing Instructions, Sailing Instructions will preside.

- 1. After Race Party definitely
- 2. This is a **Pursuit Race** and the handicap will be calculated at the start of the race
- 3. In accordance with the purpose of these races, the following equipment and practices are allowed:
- i. Autopilot and/or wind-powered self-steering gear. This modifies RRS 52.
- ii. Twin headsails set on two poles for downwind sailing. This modifies RRS 50.2.
- iii. Powered winches, hydraulics, or furling devices only on boats that have declared this information on their PHRF application and have been rated accordingly. This modifies RRS 52.

4. LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these races are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Skyway Yacht Works, LLC and Karma Yacht Sales, LLC will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including **death or disability**, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release Skyway Yacht Works, LLC, KARMA Yacht Sales and Columbia Yacht Club from any and all liability associated with such participation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

5. DISQUALIFICATION WITHOUT HEARING

This modifies RRS 63.1 and A5. The Race Committee will disqualify, without a hearing, a boat that (according to the Coast Guard, civil authorities or commercial vessel operators, or the Race Committee's observation):

- a. Impedes the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, or
- b. Finishes between the hours of sunset and sunrise without displaying proper running lights (reference: International and Inland Rules 20 and 25). The times published by NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) for sunset and sunrise in Chicago will prevail, with a grace period of three minutes.

6. ELIGIBILITY

These races are open to:

- a. Most any monohull
- b. Most any multihull

7. UNUSUAL DESIGNS: INSPECTION

Boats must be safe, seaworthy, and have the proper amount of safety equipment for a boat of its size. See below.

8. COURSES

The course for this PURSUIT/FLEET race is specified in the Sailing Instructions

9. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

For this race, boats must comply with U.S. Coast Guard regulations and shall carry the following minimum equipment.

For boats equipped with engines:

- i. Fire extinguisher(s) meeting U.S. Coast Guard requirements.
- ii. Manual bilge pump with capacity of at least 10 gallons per minute.
- iii. Anchor with suitable rode.

For all boats

i.Life jacket for each crewmember.

ii. VHF radio.

10. ENTRIES.

Entries for 3 Crib Fiasco shall be made electronically through

http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1145

The cost is below in the *FEE Section*

11. DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

Unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions, this race will have 3 sections - Monohull, multihull and Dinghy, which may be split or combined in sailing instructions.

12. HANDICAP

Any entrant submitting a certificate shall submit a rating number to the online registration service no later than the entry deadline, unless alternative arrangements are made with the Race Committee. This modifies RRS 78.2.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Prior to the first warning signal for the race, each boat may be required to check in by hailing the Race Committee on the VHF radio channel specified in the Additional Sailing Instructions, identifying itself by boat name and sail number, and/or driving by the transom of the Committee Boat situated in the starting area.
- a. A boat that fails to check in before the last start will be scored DNS; this modifies RRS A5.
- b. Any boat that retires from a race or does not finish within the time limit must contact the Race Committee as soon as possible on the designated VHF channel, by voicemail or text at 847-638-0010, or by any other effective means. Violators will be denied entry in future Skyway Yacht Works races until the skipper serves on Race Committee for one race.
- c. Other boats are requested to relay VHF transmissions if direct communication with the Race Committee is impossible.
- d. Communication with Vessel Traffic Service or with commercial vessels about their movements shall not be construed as outside help under RRS 41.

14. START

a. Scheduled starting times for this PURSUIT RACE/FLEET START are specified in the Sailing Instructions for the race.

15. RESTRICTED AREAS

A boat that violates any of the restricted areas around the Cribs shall retire or face protest and disqualification. It may not "unwind course" to correct the violation; this modifies RRS 28.1. 16. TIME LIMIT

a. Time limits will be specified in the Sailing Instructions. A boat that does not finish by the time limit will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS 35.

b. In the unlikely case of a postponement of the start, the time limit will be extended for the affected class(es) by a time increment equal to the duration of the postponement.

17. PROTESTS

a. A boat shall notify the Race Committee of protest within one hour of its finish, but is discouraged from thinking about doing so.

18. RACE SCORING

This is a pursuit race and will be scored using a handicap system administered at the start of the race. The place received at the finish of the race shall be considered the corrected time and that will be the final finish

19. AWARDS

Awards and prizes will be handed out at Columbia Yacht Club after a reasonable interval has passed subsequent to the final finishing boat.

- a. Written changes to these Instructions or the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1145 no later than 9:00 pm on the Thursday before the race.
- b. Oral changes may be announced on the VHF radio channel specified in the Sailing Instructions, up until the first Warning signal of the race.
- c. Food and refreshments will be provided by Skyway Yacht Works, LLC and Karma Yacht Sales.
- d. This pursuit race is meant to be a family fun race and will be administered as such. Anyone interested in using this race for a season series event with scoring should keep in mind that finish follows fun, but we will accommodate fleet starts.

20. FEES

The entry fee for each boat is \$95, refundable with paid storage deposit at Skyway Yacht Works, LLC

Other refunds - 50% of entry fee will be refunded if withdrawal is received prior to August 14, 2016

21. REGISTRATION

a. Enter electronically at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1145

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