**Antigua Yacht Club**

Saturday/Informal Keel Boat Racing

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

1 **Rules**

1.1 The rules of the races will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2121-2024.

1.2 Races will be run by Antigua Yacht Club under the auspices of the Antigua Sailing Association.

1.3 Participants will be rated as per the CSA Rating system. In exceptional circumstances, a Club Rating may be issued, which may well prove unfavourable.

2 **Eligibility and Entry**

2.1 All keel boats are eligible to enter and should register, with their rating on the WhatsApp group “Saturday Racing at AYC”. To be added to the group please contact the AYC Office.

3 **Classes**

3.1 Depending on number of entries there will normally be 2 classes, Racing and Cruising. Cruiser Racing and Fun classes may be included.

4 **Fees**

4.1 Each participant shall pay $EC20/day at the AYC Office.

5 **Sailing Instructions**

5.1 Copies of these SIs are available at the AYC Office and are intended to cover all AYC keel boat racing not covered by other NORs/SIs.

5.1 Any changes to these SIs for a specific race will be promulgated to competitors via WhatsApp.

5.2 There will be no signals made ashore.

6 **Racing Area**

6.1 All races will be run in the vicinity of Falmouth Harbour and the south coast of Antigua.

7 **Courses**

7.1 Courses for each day will be promulgated by WhatsApp.

8 **Class Flags**

Racing Green

Cruiser Yellow

Cruiser/Racer Pink

Fun To be specified on the day

9 **Marks**

9.1 Marks will be IALA B channel marks or normal AYC marks and, if necessary, will be described/clarified on the day.

10 **Start**

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 To be specified on the day, the start will be between an orange flag displayed on the AYCM dock and a red Mark to the north or the Committee Boat and a red mark to the west.

10.3 Start order will either be specified on the day or dictated by the Class Flags.

10.4 All competitors not in a start sequence shall, as far as possible, keep clear of competitors starting.

11 **Finish**

11.1 Unless specified on the day, the finish line will be the same as the start.

12 **Penalty System**

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the 2 turns penalty is change replaced by the One-Turn penalty

13 **Time Limit**

13.1 Any competitor finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat in their Class will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 **Protests**

1.1 Protest Forms are available at the AYC Sailing Centre

1.2 If needed, a Protest Committee will comprise of a combination of AYC Members and competitors not involved in the incident.

15 **Scoring**

15.1 The Low Point System App A will be used

15.2 Results will be promulgated via WhatsApp.

16 **Radio Communication**

16.1 Any communication by the Race Committee will be made on VHF Ch 12. Any missed radio communications will not be considered a right for redress.

17 **Prizes**

In exceptional circumstances, prizes maybe presented.

18 **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.