

# Notice of SIYR2013

## Setouchi International Yacht Rally 2013



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International Yacht Rally 2013

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SIYR2013 Executive Committee

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## 1. Introduction

“Setouchi International Yacht Rally” is a project which aims to enjoy a cruising in Seto Naikai with Japanese yachties and foreign yachties together in 2013 fall.

The innovation of IT technology in decades are aggressive in the field of GPS, digital charts, satellite telephones and internet weather services. Long distance voyagers in the oceans are receiving the benefit of the innovation. Over 10 Japanese boats returned to Japan from long distance voyage last year. And now at least 4 Japanese boats are still in the ocean. There would be several hundreds boats sailing around the world every year.

However many yachts are visiting many countries, the yachts visiting Japan is less than 10 each year. Furthermore the half of them would be super yachts. Normal yachts visiting Japan are still rare. The condition of the sea in Japan has severe aspects such as typhoon. Japanese sailors would find too easy to go around the world along the equator. Despite the severe sea, Japan has several world class cruising areas. The yachties want a nice cruising area such as ;

- . Inexpensive,
- . Good taste food,
- . Hospitality,
- . Beautiful nature and historical heritage,
- . Safe and
- . Easy to navigate.

The first item is difficult to achieve because Japan is one of the leading industrialized country. The last item is also difficult in some coastal line due to fishing nets and rafts. Even during daytime, sailors come across the trouble without local navigation knowledge. Another issue is that English information is limited on navigations and anchorages. Putting these two items aside, some regions of Japan have the perfect score as a cruising area.

The purpose of this rally is to provide inexpensive and easy voyage by the first trial of an international rally in Japan. In addition, we plan to promote the grass-root international network of yacht and expect the foreign participants will promote Japan as a cruising area at their own country.

A yacht rally normally accept applications from persons who will join by their own boat. SIYR2013 will do it for foreign boats and Japanese boats. In addition to that SIYR2013 will accept applications from foreign yacht who will visit Japan by air then board on Japanese host boats.

The reason why we provide Japanese host boats is simply to increase the numbers of foreigners joining the Rally. The foreign boats heading for Japan is still few and many people would think that Japan is attractive but not attractive to visit there with their own boat. So we will provide various supports to yacht who will come to Japan with their boats. It includes Japanese formality procedure support, Japanese Cruising information in English and her wintering support.

The rally area is Seto-Naikai (Inland sea) which is famous as a cruising spot in Japan and rally time is early october when it is expected to be nice weather. The participants shall enjoy the cruising in Japanese sea and we hope they will become advertisement towers for Japan as a nice cruising area.

At the end, we are sorry that the total attending boats is limited to around 10 boats due to the space of anchorages. We expect that in 2014 and beyond more flexible rally will happen.

## 2. Organization

The Executive Committee of Long distance Voyagers Association in Japan (LVAJ) is hosting the Setouchi International Yacht Rally (SIYR) 2013. The committee role is the planning and the preparations for the rally. The rally itself will be operated by the Rally Committee and the Local committees.

### 2.1 The Executive Committee

	Title	Name	Role
1	Chair	Mr. Sho Sugihara	Committee Leader
2	Co-chair	Mr. Yasufumi Murase	Committee Co-Leader
3	Member	Mr. Isao Yamazaki	Host boats representative
4	Member	Mr. Senichi Nagao	
5	Member	Mr. Giant Shiode	Rally Leader
6	Member	Mr. Masami Sakaguchi	Japanese crews representative
7	Member	Mr. Koichi Yamada	Onomichi Local Committee Leader
8	Member	Mr. Don Saigo	Rally Co-leader
9	Member	Mr. Yoshikatsu Wakao	Ashiya Local Committee Leader
10	Member	Mr. Hideshige Seki	
11	Member	Mr. Toru Inoue	
12	Member	Mr. Tamio Meguro	Formality Support
13	Member	Mr. Shigeo Sawa	Rally Book Editor
14	Member	Mr. Koichiro Ohno	Rally Book Translator
15	Member	Ms. Ryoko Serata	Tour Arrangement
16	Member	Mr. Masahiko Baba	Weather support
17	Member	Ms. Tomoko Nishi	Recording
18	Member	Ms Yumiko Shirakawa	Audit
19	Member	Mr. HiroshiMisaka	Public relations
20	Member	Ms. Haruna Motegi	Rally Book Editor
21	Member	Mr. Norio Konno	Web Master
22	Member	Mr. Yoichi Motoki	Rally Book Translator

## 2.2 The Rally Committee

The Rally Committee will conduct the Rally. The Secretariat will operate the events on the land with the cooperation by the Local Committees.

Title	Name	Major Role
Rally Leader	Mr. Giant Shiode	Navigation
Rally Co-Leader	Mr. Don Saigo	Weather check
Secretary General	Mr. Sho Sugihara	External Affairs
Deputy Secretary General	Mr. Yasufumi Murase	Public Body Affairs
Secretary Staff	Ms. Ryoko Serata	Accounting, Receptionist

## 2.3 Skippers Meeting

The Skippers Meeting will be held before each departure. The members of the Skippers Meeting consist of Rally Leader, Rally Co-Leader, Secretary General, all Skippers of the rally, Foreign Guests Representative, Japanese Crews Representative and SIYR Radio Net (VHF) Controller.

## 2.4 The Local Committees

The parties as the Rally dinner and social events at anchorages are arranged by local supporters as Local Committees. The list is the Leaders of Local Committee.

Anchorage	Leader	Task
HiroshimaKannon Marina	Mr. Yuso Okita	Welcome party & tour
Onomichi	Mr. Koichi Yamada	Social event
Sakaigahama Marina	Mr. Giant Shiode	Social event
Nio Marina	TBD.	Social event
Nao-Shima	TBD.	Liaison to Setouchi International Art Festival 2013
Shodo-Shima island Inn	TBD.	BBQ party and island tour
Ashiya Marina	Mr. Yoshikatsu Wakao	Farewell party

### 3. Rally Outline

The **Rally Book** will be given to each participant at **Registration desk** in Hiroshima Kannon Marina. The below is its outline.

#### 3.1 Route & Schedule



SIYR2013 will be held in two weeks from 28th Sep. through 11th Oct.. Total Leg is 197 miles and it will take 7 times of day cruising. The weather is expected to be weak in wind so it would be always motoring. Due to the weather conditions, The Rally Committee would change the schedule.

Date	Leg, Event	Place	Distance
Day1 28th Sep. Sat			
1300—1700	Registration	Hiroshima Kannon Marina	
1700—1800	Rally briefing	Hiroshima Kannon Marina	
1800—2000	Opening Party	Hiroshima Kannon Marina	
Day2 29th Sep. Sun			
0900—1700	World Heritage Tour	Miya-jima and Hiroshima Peace Park	
1700	Dismissal at the park	Dinner by each group	
Day3 30th Sep. Mon			
0830—0900	Skippers meeting	Hiroshima Kannon Marina	Leg#1
0900—1600	From Hiroshima Kannon Marina to Omishima Miyaura		35nm

Date	Leg, Event	Place	Distance
Day4 1st Oct. Tue			
0930—1000	Skippers meeting		Leg#2
1000—1400	From Omishima Miyaura to Onomichi		18nm
1700—1900	Social Event	TBD.	
Day5 2nd Oct. Wed			
0900—1430	Free time	Onomichi stroll	
1430—1500	Skippers meeting		Leg#3
1500—1615	From Onomichi to Sakaigahama Marina		6nm
1900—2100	Social Event	Sakaigahama Marina	
Day6 3rd Oct. Thur			
0800—0830	Skippers meeting		Leg#4
0830—1430	From Sakaigahama Marina to Nio Marina		28nm
1600—1700	Bus for Kotosankaku	Ryokan: Japanese style inn	
1700—1800	Hot spring time	Check in at Kotosankaku	
1800—2000	Japanese style Dinner	Tatami room stay	
Day7 4th Oct. Fri			
1000—1200	Visit Konpirasan shrine		
1200—1400	Lunch & Shopping	Konpirasan	
1400—1500	Bus	For Nio Marina	
Day8 5th Oct. Sat			
0730—0800	Skippers meeting		Leg#5
0800—1500	From Nio Marina to Nao-Shima		35nm
Day9 6th Oct. Sun			
0900—1130	Art Tour	Chichu art Museum etc.	
1130—1200	Skippers meeting		Leg#6
1200—1600	From Nao-Shima to Shodo-Shima		20nm
Day10 7th Oct. Mon			
1000—1600	Island Tour	Okazaki Shipyard and so on	
1800—2000	BBQ party	Shodo-Shima Island Inn	

Date	Leg, Event	Place	Distance
Day11 8th Oct. Tue			
0730—0800	Skippers meeting		Leg#7
0800—1500	From Shoudo-shima to Awaji-Shima		35nm
Day12 9th Oct. Wed			
0930—1000	Skippers meeting		Leg#8
1000—1500	From Awaji-Shima to Ashiya Marina		20nm
Day13 10th Oct. Thur			
0900—1800	Free time		
1800—2000	Farewell Party	Ashiya Marina	
Day14 11th Oct. Fri			
0900	Dismissal of SIYR2013		

Stern-to with bow anchor at Nao-Shima and anchoring at Shodo-Shima are required.  
Also rafting is required at some small anchorage.

### 3.2 Participating Boats

The rally participating boats are divided into two groups. “**Foreign Boats**” and “**Japanese Host Boats**”.

#### (1) Foreign Boats

The **Foreign Boat** is a boat participating the rally from abroad. We plan to support the **Foreign Boat** with several aspects such as Japanese formality, the route to Japan and her wintering place finding by the member of Long distance Voyagers Association in Japan.. One English speaking Japanese is required for each boat to secure the communications among the boat, especially emergency time. So we would ask **Foreign Boat** to accept one or two English speaking Japanese crew on board. He or she would be useful as a guide and a translator on the land.

#### (2) Japanese Host Boats

The **Host Boat** is a Japanese boat participating the rally. The **Host Boat** will accept the foreigners visiting Japan by air as **Guests** with volunteer basis. The **Host Boat**’s captain and crews will act together in groups with **Guests**. The **Host Boat** is expected to be over 40ft to provide privacy accommodation for two foreign guests.

#### (3) Limitation on the numbers of boats participating the Rally

Due to the space of some anchorage, the number of the boats is limited to around 10. Foreign Boats have high priority as general principle.



### 3.3 Guest Participants from abroad

The **Guest Participants from abroad** is a participant from abroad by air. The **Guests** will be on board at a Japanese **Host Boat** as guests. There is a limit for the number boats, so there is also a limit for the number of the guests.

### 3.4 Rally Tours

Four Rally Tours are planned.

- (1) Hiroshima World Heritage Tour
- (2) Konpirasan Tour (Visiting the protectorate god of the sea and one night stay at Japanese style Inn)
- (3) Nao-Shima Art Tour
- (4) Shodo-Shima Island Tour (Visiting Okazaki Boat Shipyard etc)

The tours should be optional by the nature of things. But the Rally has relatively small numbers of people and the schedule are tight at each anchorage. So the tours are included as Rally events.

### 3.5 Rally Diners

Four Rally Diners are planned.

- (1) Opening party at Hiroshima Kannon Marina
- (2) Enkai(Japanese style Party) at Kotosankaku(Japanese style Inn)
- (3) BBQ party at Island Inn in Shodo-Shima
- (4) Farewell Party at Ashiya Marina

### 3.6 Social Events

There will be several social events at some anchorage with local sailors and people.



## 4. Entry Procedure

### 4.1 Rally Rules

This is the Rally Rules in the Rally Book, of which a copy will be given to each participant at registration desk of Hiroshima Kanon Marina.

- (1) The Rally is neither a race nor a regatta and engines may be used as decided by each skipper.
- (2) The Rally is open only to amateur sailing and motor yachts, but not to chartered yachts or yachts with paying guests/passengers on board.
- (3) The owner/skipper shall assure the Rally Committee that there is no commercial relationship and that there has been, is or will be no charge made by the owner for permitting his crew or friends to take part in the Rally.
- (4) Each yacht must have a minimum crew of two at all times. And one person at least has to understand Japanese and English both. The Rally Committee will provide a English speaking Japanese crew for a boat which has no person who understand Japanese.
- (5) English and Japanese will be the language for all the communications during the Rally. Private messages between yachts, not affecting the rally, may be sent in any language.
- (6) Participants are bound by the International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea, laws and Regulations of Japan, the present Rally Rules, and the Rally Committee's sailing instructions.
- (7) The safety of each yacht and her entire management, including insurance, remains the responsibility of the owner or the skipper.
- (8) Yacht owners/skippers and their crew, are participating in the Rally of their own free will and at their own risk. Each owner / skipper is responsible for the seaworthiness and safe navigation of his/her yacht. The decision of whether to start, continue or retire in consideration of the meteorological conditions present or forecast, or other conditions lies entirely with the skipper of each yacht. If retiring or delaying departure from any port, the yacht must report her action to the Rally Committee. The owner/skipper shall draw the attention of their crews to the above before starting. There will be no refund of the Rally fee under such circumstances.
- (9) Each Rally-Yacht must display the National flag of the country of registration, a flag of the country to be visited on the main mast starboard cross tree as a courtesy flag, and the Rally burgees.
- (10) Each Rally-Yacht must be equipped with a built-in Diesel engine, a ready to float dinghy or life-raft, a built-in 25 Watt VHF radio, a radar reflector, signal flares, all in reasonable working condition. The Rally Committee may check the rally yachts in respect of the above.
- (11) Every yacht participating in SIYR2013, - Setouchi International Yacht Rally 2013 - is sailing under the sole responsibility of the owner/skipper and her crew. The Rally Committee, The Executive Committee, The Local Committee, The Secretariat, Sponsors and Supporters, Managements of Marinas and Port Authorities in Japan and any person connected with the organization of this Rally, bear no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience to any yacht, to crew members, to third parties or other yachts howsoever arising directly or indirectly from their rules, policy, courses or rulings during the rally or related activities.

## 4.2 Application

There are two type of Entry form for SIYR2013.

**(1) Participants with your own yacht**

Please fulfill the **Boat Entry Form**.

**(2) Participants visiting Japan by air**

Please fulfill the **Guest Entry Form**

**(3) Due date**

The due date of the application is end of June.

**(4) Limitation of Participants**

As described in chapter 3, there is a limit for the number of the participating boats and participants as guests.

We will close the entry when the number of the application reaches the limit even before due date. It is "First come, first served", so be hurry to apply.



### 4.3 Boat Entry Form

I, Owner/Skipper, request to join SIYR 2013 I have read and understood the Rules of the Rally and agree to comply with them.

#### YACHT INFORMATION

<b>Name Of Yacht</b>		<b>L.O.A.</b>	<b>m</b>
<b>Home Port</b>		<b>Beam</b>	<b>m</b>
<b>Flag</b>		<b>Draught</b>	<b>m</b>
<b>Average Speed</b>	<b>Knots</b>	<b>Boat Type</b>	<b>Monohull/Catamaran</b>
<b>Name of Owner</b>		<b>AIS transponder</b>	<b>YES/NO</b>
<b>Insurance Policy Number</b>		<b>Do you need a Japanese crew?</b>	<b>YES/NO</b>

#### YACHT'S CAPTAIN

<b>Title</b>	<b>Mr./Ms./Mrs./</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	
<b>First Name</b>		<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Address</b>			
<b>Date of Birth</b>		<b>Passport Number</b>	
<b>Wear Size*1</b>	<b>S/M/L/XL</b>	<b>Passport Expiry</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>		<b>Mobile Number</b>	

#### YACHT'S CREW

<b>Title</b>	<b>Mr./Ms./Mrs./</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	
<b>First Name</b>		<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>		<b>Passport Number</b>	
<b>Wear Size*1</b>	<b>S/M/L/XL</b>	<b>Passport Expiry</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>		<b>Mobile Number</b>	

**All items has to be full field to be accepted by SIYR2013 Rally Committee.  
Copy and Paste the Yacht's Crew Entry form for the Other Crews.**

### 4.3 Guest Entry Form

I, as a Guest member, request to join SIYR 2013 I have read and understood the Rules of the Rally and agree to comply with them.

#### GUEST REPRESENTATIVE

<b>Title</b>	<b>Mr./Ms./Mrs./</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	
<b>First Name</b>		<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Address</b>			
<b>Date of Birth</b>		<b>Passport Number</b>	
<b>Wear Size*1</b>	<b>S/M/L/XL</b>	<b>Passport Expiry</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>		<b>Mobile Number</b>	

#### GUEST

<b>Title</b>	<b>Mr./Ms./Mrs./</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	
<b>First Name</b>		<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>		<b>Passport Number</b>	
<b>Wear Size*1</b>	<b>S/M/L/XL</b>	<b>Passport Expiry</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>		<b>Mobile Number</b>	

**All items has to be full field to be accepted by SIYR2013 Rally Committee.  
Copy and Paste the GUESTS Entry form for the Other guest.**

**\*1: Japanese wear size (See Appendix II)**

## 4.4 Rally Fee

The Rally fee is from 70,000JPY up to 100,00JPY per person. It will be fixed by 1st of April.  
The fee is just a cost sharing. So it depends on the number of sponsors which we are now trying to increase

### (1) Coverage

The Rally fee will cover;

- Rally goods including Rally Book, Rally flag and Rally wear.

- Berthing Fee

- Rally Dinners

- Rally Tours

- Basic food cost

Meals other than party and tour will be taken on the boat or restaurants by yourselves. But the basic cost for these meals is also covered by rally fee. This is a matter which comes to argument. But "Host boat" has several guests and "Foreign boat" has also some Japanese guest. It is easier that the Rally Committee will provide food money to each boat based on the number on board in advance. No calculation is required for the meal cost on each boat. The Rally Committee has no responsibility on the lack of money by too much eat and drink. The calculation is based on 2,300JPN per person per day.

### (2) Payment

Bank transfer or Pay Pal payment are possible. The detail information of the payment will be notified after the **Entry Form** is received.

Bank transfer charge including the receiving bank fees and Pay Pal money transfer charge (4%) is your own expense, please.

### (3) Due Date

Due date of the payment is end of June. If there was no money transfer by 1st July, the entry will be canceled and the Rally Committee will contact the person in waiting list.

## 5. Yachty Support

After the **Entry Form** is received by the Rally Committee, you will receive the mailing list information of **YSNJ** (Yachty Support Network in Japan). It will help your entry procedure into Japan and to solve the other issues.

### 5.1 Japanese Formality

There is a big difficulty to enter Japan. But it will be solved by the proper procedures. Please see Cruising Japan Wiki information on the formality.

<http://cruisingjapan.org/wiki>

### 5.2 Route to Japan and Cruising Route inside Japan

Again please see Cruising Japan Wiki information on the routes to Japan.

<http://cruisingjapan.org/wiki>

Cruising Route inside Japan is now under construction.

### 5.3 Wintering in Japan

We will also provide supports to find a wintering place of your yacht.

## 6. SIYR2014 and Beyond

SIYR2013 would be the first international rally in Japan. We hope SIYR will become an annual event with the success of SIYR2013.

But the rally style of SIYR2013 is special to invite many foreigners, it is a big burden for "Host Boats" and also for "Foreign Boats".

From 2014 next year, the rally should have a normal way. No more "Host boats". And by extending route and period, it could be possible wherever yachties can join the rally and leave the rally. It would be easier, more flexible and happier!

Near future the rally route would grow to be between Okinawa and Setouchi, we hope.

## 7. Auspices and Sponsors

Current status is described below:

### (1) Auspices

We started the negotiation with Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism(MLIT), Japan Tourism Agency and Hiroshima Prefecture.

Based on its results, we would start the negotiation with Kagawa Prefecture and Hyogo Prefecture.

### (2) Sponsors

Sakaigahama Marina

Ashiya Marina

Cruising Club of Japan

We are negotiating with the following companies on sponsorship:

KAJI CO., LTD.

FIRST MARINE Ltd.

We plan to talk with the following companies on sponsorship:

OKAZAKI BOATYARD CO., LTD.

YANMAR CO., LTD.

Yamaha Motor Co., Ltd.

FURUNO ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

APPLE JAPAN

## 8. Home Page

The Home Page of SIYR2013 will be opened on 1st of April, 2013. It will include the following information in addition to the above articles.

News Letters

Photo Gallery

Participants List

Frequently Asked Questions

It will be inside the Home Page of LVAJ.

<http://cruisingjapan.org/wp/> (Currently it is written in Japanese Only.)

## 9. Private Information

The private information provided through the entry form will be used only for this Rally and to be treated with the proper manner.

Your name and contact information will be included in the Rally Book. If you do not accept it, please tell us on sending entry form. The Rally Committee may ask you to send a copy of passport, boat registration and insurance policy. These information will be treated as above.

## 10. Contact

SIYR2013 Rally Committee Secretariat Office

Secretariat General Sho Ichi Sugihara

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## APPENDIX I Cordinate of Hiroshima and Ashiya

Hiroshima: 34 21.49N, 132 24.92E

Ashiya: 34 42.59N, 135 19.22E

## APPENDIX II Japanese Wear Size

Men; Chest size : S(88cm) M(92cm) L(96cm) XL(100cm)

Women; Bust size : S(80cm) M(83cm) L(86cm) XL(89cm)

