

2007 Heald Bank Race – April 14-15, 2007
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Harborwalk Yacht Club & Marina Heald Bank Offshore Race Hosted By Lakewood Yacht Club 2007

Sponsored by Bay Access

Notice of Race

April 14 and 15, 2007

Organizing Authority:

Lakewood Yacht Club

2425 NASA Parkway

Seabrook, Texas

281-474-2511

281-474-3502 (fax)

- 1) **Rules:** The race will be governed by the rules as defined in "The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008."
- 2) **Courses:** This is an offshore race, which will start in the Galveston jetties at marker #11 and finish inside the jetties. Spinnaker yachts will sail a triangular course of approximately 85 NM. Non-spinnaker yachts will sail a two leg reaching course of approximately 60 NM.
- 3) **Classes:** ORC Club Spinnaker, ORC Club Non-Spinnaker, One-Design, PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non Spinnaker, Short-handed Offshore Sailors (SOS), Women Crewed and Multihull.
- 4) **Class Size:** A minimum of four yachts will constitute a class.

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5) **Schedule:**

Schedule: Friday, April 13th, 2007

7:00 PM Skippers' meeting

Saturday, April 14th, 2007

1:55 PM Warning for Spinnaker yachts

2:55 PM Warning for Non-Spinnaker yachts

Sunday, May 20th, 2007

Awards Presentation – Trophies will be presented at the 2007 LYC Shoe Regatta Award Party.

- 6) **Handicapping:** All classes except One Design shall submit a current 2007 rating certificate from a cognizant rating authority **prior to the entry deadline**. Certificates shall be hand delivered or faxed to Lakewood Yacht Club, 281-474-3502. Multihull ratings must be obtained through TOMA. These requirements are an unconditional prerequisite for entry. No “club handicaps” will be assigned by the Race Committee. Please contact the following authorities for a rating certificate:

1) **PHRF-GB, Website: phrfgb.com or email: info@phrfgb.com**

2) **Offshore Racing Council-ORC Club Galveston Bay; Contact Andrea Todaro, email: atodaro@sbcglobal.net**

3) **Texas Offshore Multihull Association-TOMA; contact Anthony Townsend, email: anthonyjtownsend@houston.rr.com**

The Race Committee may, in its discretion, accept a late filed rating certificate.

- 7) **Conditions of Entry:** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Bay Access, Inc., Lakewood Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any yacht 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.
- 8) **Insurance:** Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. No skipper or crew member shall participate without signing and turning in to the Race Committee the waiver of liability in this NOR **on or before the Skippers' Meeting**. Waivers shall be hand delivered or faxed to Lakewood Yacht Club, 281-474-3502.
- 9) **Entry Fees:** The Entry Fee is \$45. A \$5 discount is available for US SAILING Members. The Entry Fee is payable by credit card, yacht club reciprocal charge, or check. Entry fees will be refunded if a registrant notifies the Race Committee of the withdrawal prior to the Entry Deadline.
- 10) **Entry Deadline:** The Entry must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee but will require a \$50 tax-deductible donation to Bay Access, Inc.
- 11) **Sailing Instructions:** The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' Meeting.

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- 12) **Notices to Competitors:** Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Race Notice Board of Lakewood Yacht Club located near the west end of the swimming pool.
- 13) **Scoring and Prizes:** Awards shall be presented to no more than 3 places in each class. **The ORC Club division in the non spinnaker class will be scored using performance line circular random non-spinnaker scoring. The ORC Club division in the spinnaker class will be scored using performance line offshore scoring.** ~~ORC Club scoring will use performance line circular random scoring.~~ PHRF scoring will use time on distance scoring.
- 14) **Advertising:** As a courtesy to our valued race sponsors, no advertising may be displayed on Lakewood Yacht Club premises without prior written permission of the Race Committee.

Further Information: For further information please contact Lakewood Yacht Club at (281) 474-2511 or race@lakewoodyachtclub.com. The LYC fax is 281.474.3502.

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Yacht Name: _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

1. I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. I hereby acknowledge and agree that I am participating in this event entirely at my own risk.
2. I acknowledge and agree that neither Lakewood Yacht Club, Bay Access, Inc., the Race Committee, the sponsors of the Bay Cup I Race, the Protest Committee, nor their respective members, officers, board of directors, staff or representatives, will be responsible for
 - (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
 - (b) any injury, including death,
 sustained as a result of my participation in this event, regardless of the fact that such damage may, in whole or in part, be due to the negligence of Lakewood Yacht Club, Bay Access, Inc., the Race Committee, the sponsors of the Bay Cup I Race, the Protest Committee, or their respective members, officers, board of directors, staff or representatives,
3. I hereby WAIVE any rights I may have to sue the Race Organizers (including Lakewood Yacht Club, Bay Access, Inc., the Race Committee, the sponsors of the Bay Cup I Race, the Protest Committee, and/or their respective members, officers, board of directors, staff or representatives) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby RELEASE the Race Organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law whether caused in whole or in part by negligence.
4. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that I and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
5. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

OWNER/SKIPPER

WITNESS

NAME (PRINT) _____

NAME (PRINT) _____

ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

SIGNATURE _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

DATE _____

PLEASE HAND DELIVER OR FAX THIS FORM TO LAKEWOOD YACHT CLUB, 281-474-3502 PRIOR TO THE SKIPPERS' MEETING OR YOU WILL NOT BE REGISTERED FOR THIS EVENT

Crew Members who intend to participate in this race should carefully read and sign the attached page of this waiver and release. Additional waiver forms will be available at the Skipper's Meeting.

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Yacht Name: _____

CREW MEMBERS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

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2. I acknowledge and agree that neither Lakewood Yacht Club, Bay Access, Inc., the Race Committee, the sponsors of the Bay Cup I Race, the Protest Committee, nor their respective members, officers, board of directors, staff or representatives will be responsible for
 - (c) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
 - (d) any injury, including death,
 sustained as a result of my participation in this event, regardless of the fact that such damage may, in whole or in part, be due to the negligence of Lakewood Yacht Club, Bay Access Inc., the Race Committee, the sponsors of the Bay Cup I Race, the Protest Committee, or their respective members, officers, board of directors, staff or representatives.
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4. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that I and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
5. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR CREW MEMBERS: (please print information other than signature)

NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

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Yacht Name _____

CHILDREN'S WAIVER

THIS DOCUMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES. YOU SHOULD GET APPROPRIATE LEGAL OR OTHER ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IT.

6. I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. I have read RRS 4, Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that my child is participating in this event entirely at my own risk.
7. **I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for**
 - (e) any damage to the entered yacht or my, or my child's, other property, or
 - (f) any injury, including death,**sustained as a result of my child's participation in this event, regardless of the fact that such damage may be, in whole or in part, be due to the negligence of Lakewood Yacht Club, the race committee, or their members.**
8. **I hereby waive, on behalf of myself and my child, any rights we may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by child as a result of my child's participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.**
9. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my child and the entered yacht are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
10. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

Child's name _____ Age _____

Parent's Printed Name _____ signed _____ date _____

Yacht Name _____