Notice of Race International J/22 Class Association Midwinter Championship Regatta Southern Yacht Club New Orleans, Louisiana February 13-16, 2014

Invitation:

On behalf of the International J/22 Class Association and J/22 Fleet 46, Southern Yacht Club is pleased to invite all sailors to the 2014 Midwinters. The organizing authority for this regatta is the USJ22CA and the Southern Yacht Club.

Rules:

The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the IJ22CA rules, this Notice of Race (except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions), and the sailing instructions. U.S Sailing Prescriptions apply. U.S. Sailing Prescriptions T-1, T-2, and T-4 also apply.

Advertising: All yachts may be required to display a sticker with the trademark of the event sponsor on the forward 25% of each side of the hull for the duration of the event. Such stickers will be provided by the organizing committee.

Sailing Instructions: Available at registration.

Registration and Entry: \$250.00 for entries received prior to February 1st. \$300.00 for registrations received after February 1st. Class Dues for 2014 payable at registration. All skippers must be members of the J/22 Class Association and shall meet all requirements of registration before becoming official competitors. The entry fee includes tickets for three (3) competitors to all social events. Additional social packages for additional crew members and non-competitors are available for a price of \$50.00 per person.

Schedule of Events:

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Thursday	/ February	/ 15:

Registration	1000-1900
Practice Race	1500
Competitor's Meeting and Welcoming Reception	1900
All boats must be launched by 2200 hours.	

Friday February 14:

First Warning Signal	0955

Additional Races to follow. Lunch on the water.

Saturday February 15:

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Additional races to follow. Lunch on the water

Sunday February 16:

First Warning signal:

Additional Races to follow. No races will be started after 1400 hours.

Scoring:

The low point system of Appendix A2 will apply, modified such that each boat's worst score will be discarded only if six (6) or more races are completed. Up to nine (9) races are scheduled, of which two races shall be completed to constitute a series.

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Crew

Any substitution to the crew list submitted during registration requires prior written permission of the Race Committee. Substitution will be allowed only in exceptional circumstances. The number of crew shall not change during the regatta.

Measurements

Each yacht shall submit a valid measurement certificate registered with the IJ22CA before becoming an official competitor. Pre-certification before arriving at the regatta is strongly encouraged. Boats and Owners not obtaining pre-certification must make arrangements prior to the regatta. All competitors will be required to weigh in at registration. Yachts may be inspected or measured at the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Regatta Site, Racing Area, and Courses

The regatta site will be Southern Yacht Club, New Orleans, LA. The racing area will be located on Lake Pontchartrain, approximately two miles NNE of the SYC clubhouse. The courses will be windward-leeward, triangle, or a variation thereof. Offset marks and gates will be used as necessary.

Support Boats

Competitors may not have any contact or communication with support boats after reaching the starting area for the first race of the day until after they are finished racing for the day.

Haul-out Restrictions

Except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race Committee the following restrictions apply: All boats shall be afloat before 2200 hours on Thursday February 13, 2013, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta. Rudders shall remain affixed.

Disclaimer of Liability and Safety

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with this regatta. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Competitors are encouraged to have a VHF radio on board.

Registration

Register online with Regatta Network at: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/7525

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