

Notice of Race

Percy Priest Yacht Club



Equalizer Regatta for One-Design Cruisers

October 15 & 16, 2016

1. **INVITATION**--Percy Priest Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the **Equalizer Regatta for One-Design Cruisers** on **October 15 & 16, 2016**.
2. **SITE**--The regatta will be held on J. Percy Priest Lake in Nashville, Tennessee. Land based activities will be held at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina.
3. **RULES**
 - 3.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
 - 3.2. For the S2 7.9 class, ISAF Regulation 22, [ISAF Sailor Classification Code](#), will apply for purposes of awarding trophies.
 - 3.3. Changes will be made to the following RRS:
29.1 (Individual Recalls), 33 (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 44.1 (Taking a Penalty), 61 (Protest Requirements), 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A4 (Low Point System), A5 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee), A11 (Scoring Abbreviations), and Race Signal AP (Postponement).
 - 3.4. US Sailing Prescriptions Rule 60 (redress hearing participation), Rule 63.2 (Time and Place of the Hearing), and Rule 63.4 (Interested Party) will not apply.
 - 3.5. For the S2 7.9 class, class rule 3.6.1. is changed so that there is no maximum crew weight.
 - 3.6. All other class rules for all classes, including measurement and weight rules, will apply. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.
 - 3.7. All rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions or in this notice of race.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 4.1. The regatta will be open to all one-design cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with PPYC.
 - 4.2. Participants may enter the race by registering online, or by registering on the day of the regatta at the final registration table in the Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina building. We encourage all participants to register in advance online to help us plan for the regatta. If you register online before the deadline, you will save \$20.00. If you register online, you may also pay your entry fees by credit or debit card.
 - 4.3. A [Waiver and Release of Liability and Emergency Contact](#) form signed by the owner/skipper and each crew member must be submitted at final registration. No boat will be fully registered without submitting this completed form. In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Regatta Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.
5. **CLASSES**
 - 5.1. Four or more boats of the same one-design class are required for a class to participate.
 - 5.2. The following classes are anticipated for this event:
 - J/22
 - Northstar 500
 - S2 7.9

6. **FEES**--The regatta entry fee and other fees are as follows:

Online Registration Fee: Register by midnight, Wednesday, October 12, 2016	\$45.00
Late Registration Fee: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., Saturday, October 17, 2015	\$65.00
A \$5.00 discount is available for US Sailing members. Member number is required for discount.	
Meal Fee: <u>Please note that the meal fee is not optional.</u> It is separately stated for sales tax purposes only. To participate in the regatta, you must purchase a meal package for each person on your boat. The meal package is <u>per person</u> and includes two continental breakfasts and one dinner. <i>Each Meal Fee includes sales tax of \$0.42.</i>	\$5.00 per person
Lunches will not be available through PPYC. Please arrange for your own lunches.	

7. **SCHEDULE**

Saturday, October 15, 2016	
0800	Continental Breakfast
0800-0930	Final Registration (if you do not register online) Turn in Waiver and Release & Emergency Contact Information form Pay Online Registration Fees (if not already paid online) IMPORTANT--Final Registration ends at 0930 sharp!
1000	Skippers' Meeting
1100	Warning Signal, first race. Subsequent races will follow.
After Race	Social Time on the Deck and Dinner (dinner will be served no later than 1700)
Sunday, October 16, 2016	
0800	Continental Breakfast
1000	Warning Signal. Subsequent races may follow.
1300	No race will be started after this time.
After Race	Awards presentation as soon as possible after last race

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**-- The Sailing Instructions will be available at final registration. A draft of the sailing instructions may be available for review on the PPYC website. Sailing instructions on the PPYC web site are for information purposes only and are subject to change prior to the regatta. Only sailing instructions distributed during final registration are valid.

9. **RACING**

- 9.1. The regatta will consist of as many as eight buoy course races for all classes.
- 9.2. One race will constitute a series.
- 9.3. No race will be started after 1300 on Sunday.

10. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1. For classes other than the S2 7.9 class, RRS 44.1 will apply.
- 10.2. RRS 44.1 will apply when an incident is between a boat(s) in the S2 7.9 class and a boat(s) in another class.
- 10.3. If all boats involved in an incident are in the S2 7.9 class, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty, except for incidents between boats
 - (a) prior to the starting signal,
 - (b) when there is contact, or
 - (c) when at least one of them is in the *zone* of a mark that has a required side on the leg being sailed, and the mark is a rounding mark, a gate mark, or a finishing mark.

For incidents described in 10.3 (a), (b) and (c), the Two-Turns Penalty remains in effect.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 11.2. A boat that did not finish within the required time after the first boat in her class finished and that was still racing when the time limit expired and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that finished the race and not later retired or disqualified. The scoring abbreviation for such boats will be TLX (did not finish due to time limit expiring). This changes RRS A4, A5, and A11.
- 11.3. A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS, and OCS), did not finish (DNF) for any reason other than that in Sailing Instruction 11.2 or retires (RET) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta.
- 11.4. A boat that was disqualified (BFD, DSQ, DNE, and DGM) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 11.5. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A4.1, A4.2, and A5.

- 12. **LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING**--Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina and Hamilton Creek Park free of charge. Two ramps are available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, COURTESY BROADCASTS & RECALLS

- 13.1. **All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a VHF radio and monitor it during the regatta.**
- 13.2. The race committee may make periodic courtesy broadcasts by VHF radio on Channel 68. Information reported is provided as a courtesy to the competitors and does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the race committee's visual signals. Errors or omissions during these courtesy broadcasts will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 13.3. When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of the recalled boats only by VHF radio on Channel 68. Such a hail is a courtesy hail only. Failure of the race committee to hail, failure of a boat to hear the hail for any reason, or the method, order or timing of the hail will not relieve the boat of its obligation to start correctly and will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a).

- 14. **PRIZES**--Trophies will be awarded for classes as follows:

J/22	3 trophies
Northstar 500	3 trophies
S2 7.9	ISAF Group 1 ("non-professionals") 3 trophies
S2 7.9	ISAF Group 3 ("professionals") 2 trophies (<i>professionals must finish in top 5 to be eligible</i>)

- 15. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER**--Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Percy Priest Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Competitors agree that the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the regatta, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.

- 16. **INSURANCE**--Each participating boat shall be insured by its owner with valid third-party liability insurance.

17. **FURTHER INFORMATION**--For further information please contact:

Regatta Chair	James O'Dell	(615) 594-8116
Director of Racing	Mark Girone	(615) 973-1574
Commodore	Paul Latour	(615) 336-7900
Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina		(615) 862-8472

An [email link to regatta contacts](#) is available on the PPYC regatta registration website.

18. **DIRECTIONS**--On I-40, east of Nashville, exit at Stewarts Ferry Pike / J. Percy Priest Dam (Exit 219). Go south for approximately 3.4 miles. Turn left into Hamilton Creek Park. Turn left at the first road on the left into the sailboat marina. A [map and driving directions](#) are available on the PPYC web site.
19. **LODGING**--There are several hotels and motels within six miles Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina. A [list of lodging near Percy Priest Lake](#) is available on the PPYC web site.