

Notice of Race & Special Event

Percy Priest Yacht Club



GALEN FREEMAN ONE DESIGN REGATTA & GFOD SPRING RACE CLINIC

J/22 and Vanguard 15 - One Design Class Boats May 18-19 (Spring Race Clinic) & 20-21 (Regatta), 2017

1. **INVITATION**--Percy Priest Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the **Galen Freeman One Design Regatta on May 20 & 21, 2017**.
The Third annual regatta will be preceded by the first annual GFOD Spring Race Clinic on the afternoon of Thursday May 18 and on water coaching Friday 10:00 – 14:00 ... The "Race Clinic" will be open to all sailors interested in racing.
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. Changes will be made to the following RRS for buoy course classes:
29.1 (Individual Recalls), 33 (Changing the Next Leg of the Course),
35 (Time Limit and Scores), 44 (Penalties at the Time of an Incident), 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).
 - 3.3. 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.
 - 3.4. All rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 4.1. The regatta will be open to all J/22 and Vanguard 15 one-design boats properly registered with PPYC. 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, you will save \$10.00. If you register online, you may pay your entry fees by credit or debit card.
 - 4.2. 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**-- J/22 and Vanguard 15 - One Design Classes.
6. **RACING**
 - 6.1. As many as ten (10) races are planned for the J/22 & Vanguard 15 classes.
 - 6.2. One race will constitute a series.
 - 6.3. No races will be started in less than three (3) knots of sustained wind as determined by the race committee.
7. **COURSES**
 - 7.1. J/22 and Vanguard 15 courses will be short windward-leeward courses as indicated in the Sailing Instructions.
 - 7.2. Actual courses and course length will be determined by the Race Committee based on the sailing conditions.

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8. FEES – The regatta entry fees are as follows

Online Registration Fee: Register by midnight, Wednesday, May 17, 2017 <i>You may pay your entry fees by credit or debit card when you register online. Online payments are handled through the secure PayPal payment system.</i>	\$45.00
Late Registration Fee: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., Saturday, May 20, 2017	\$65.00
A \$5.00 discount is available for US Sailing members. Proof of membership is required for discount.	
Meal Fee: Please note that the meal fee is <u>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 \$0.85.</i>	\$10.00 per person
Lunches will not be available through PPYC. Please arrange for your own lunches.	

9. SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 20, 2017	
0800	Continental Breakfast
0800-0930	Final Registration (if you do not register online) Turn in <u>Waiver and Release & Emergency Contact Information</u> 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 may follow.
After Race	Social Time on the Deck and Dinner (A light dinner will be served no later than 1700)
Sunday, May 21, 2017	
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

10. 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 regatta registration website at <http://www.ppyc.org>. 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.

11. THE START—J/22 and Vanguard 15 races will be started according to Rule 26. of The Racing Rules of Sailing.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. For the J/22 and Vanguard 15 class, when fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six to ten 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.
- 12.2. A boat that did not finish within the required time after the first boat 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 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.
- 12.3. boat that did not start (DNC, DNS and OCS), did not finish (DNF) for any reason other than that in 12.2 or retires (RET) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats that entered the regatta.
- 12.4. 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 that entered the regatta. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 12.5. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A4.1. A4.2 and A5.

- 13. LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING**--Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina free of charge. A ramp is available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.
- 14. PRIZES**—Each J/22 and V15 One Design sailboat - Registered and participating in the GFOD Regatta will receive a Trophy. An additional “Performance Trophy” will be awarded to the top 5 boats in each fleet.
- 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:

V15 Class Fleet	Jim Milliman	(231) 883-6222
J/22 Class & Regatta Chair	Galen Freeman	(615) 310 7131
Director of Racing	Fred Bartram	(615) 554 7236
Sponsor	Tony Giarratana	(615) 512-0559
Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina		(615) 862-8472

An email link to the regatta contacts is available at <http://www.ppyc.org> .

- 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 on the PPYC regatta registration website.
- 19. LODGING**-- There are several hotels and motels within six miles of Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina. A [list of lodging near the marina](#) is available on the PPYC regatta registration website.

Special Invitation to The First Annual
GFOD - Spring Race Clinic
May 18 – 19, 2017

One of the best things about racing sailboats is the willingness of those at the pinnacle of our sport to share their knowledge with the rest of us. It doesn't matter whether you are at the very back of the fleet -- the middle -- or trading tack for tack with them at the front of the fleet; almost all of the Sailing "Rock Stars" will gladly offer helpful advice to help you improve your sailing. When my wife, Carolyn and I discovered sailboat racing over 40 years ago, we were very fortunate to have many "Sailing Mentors" who would beat us in nearly every race ... Then ... Coaching and advising us afterward by sharing their experience. We are grateful for every tip and gradually accumulated a vast store of knowledge plus many good friends ... and ... A love for the SPORT of SAILING

It is the tremendous help I have received over the years that motivated me to ask our Sponsor, Tony Giarratana, of GIARRATANA LLC to allow me to invite a couple of the best sailors in the World to join us and share a small bit of their vast experiences with the sailors at this year's GFOD.

Thank you Tony ... for your generous support to make this a very special event ...
AND ... Mike Marshall, North Sails One Design ... PLUS ... Randy Smyth, of Smyth Sailing
For bringing your knowledge to share with us. I am sure, all who attend will leave a better sailor.

Galen Freeman

Mike Marshall – North Sails One Design

2016 J/22 World Champion & 2016 J/22 Midwinter Champion

As a sail designer, coach and racer, Mike has been involved in championship campaigns in dinghies and small keelboats for decades. As a sail designer, he's had a hand in Olympic and World Championship sail development for 470s, F18s and Etchells. He's coached teams to championships in 420s, Lasers, Optis and J22s, and he's raced on top ten World and North American teams in J22s and J24s. A keen observer and disciplined analyst, Mike is also the chief engineer of the North Sails Performance Telemetry System.

RANDY SMYTH – SMYTH SAILING – AND - One of the best multihull sailors of all time ...

"Expert, TV Commentator" for the 2016 Olympics in Brazil w Gary Jobson - 2 Olympic Silver Medals in Tornados
- Over 55 World, Continental & Natl Champs – W 1988 Americas Cup - Rolex Yachtsman of the Year - etc. .

In 2008, Randy was interviewed by Dave Reed, for an article in **Sailing World** magazine about helming the Tommy Hilfiger 40 catamaran "spectator racing" in the Volvo Extreme 40 series held at the Volvo Ocean Race stopovers. The following are excerpts from that article:

"There are 15 boats now built, but the challenge is you're still sailing in the same swimming pools. Five boats was fine for the first year, but you're sailing on the same Amsterdam canal with concrete walls. You come off the starting line, and if it's upwind, you have one boatlength before everybody has to tack in synchronized fashion or else there will be a crash ... It's short action, instant decision making with 14 tacks, 15 jibes, and three sets, all in a 12-minute race. It's a skill set you learn to get good at."

We will look forward to asking Randy how that all worked out during the GFOD !!!

NOR - Clinic addendum 4/13/17

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Schedule of events –

Leaders : Mike Marshall, North One Design & Randy Smyth, Smyth Sailing

Thursday May 18 – Afternoon and evening @ Hamilton Creek Marina

13:30 – Discussion of plans for J/22 on water coaching (on deck)

18:30 – Chalk Talk – Open to all sailors –

Friday May 19 – J/22 & V15s

09:30 – Skippers & Crew meeting for day of “On the water” coaching

10:30 – 15:30 – On water drills return to dock

16:00 – 17:00 - Dock review & Q&A

18:30 - Meet and Share Stories w Randy Smyth – Smyth Sailing