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Galveston Bay Catamaran Championships

October 5, 2019

Clear Lake Racing Association El Jardin Beach, Texas

NOTICE OF RACE

Amendment #2

Changes of Amendment #1:

- Addition of Foil class
- Clarification of class assignment
- Deletion of Friday and Sunday races
- Clarification of eligibility for GBCC overall trophy
- Addition of Alice Cummings trophy and eligibility

Changes of Amendment #2:

Schedule change

1. RULES

- **a.** These races will be **governed** by the *rules* as defined in the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, any applicable published rules of a participating one design class, and as modified by the sailing instructions.
- **b.** Any changes to these rules will posted at the Regatta Tent.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- a. The regatta is open to all beach catamarans.
- b. All classes are welcome
- c. Classes will initially be divided as Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker, but sub-classes are possible.
- d. There will be four initial classes to choose from to start: Foils, Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker A, Non-Spinnaker B. NS-B is designed for people with less than 10 years of racing experience; where they can race against boats of similar skill set. Each class, Spinnaker, foil, Non-Spinnaker, must have at least 3 boats each entered; or they will be merged into a single class.
- e. A minimum of three yachts of the same design, or similar rating, may constitute a class
- f. If a yacht entered and fails to meet 2.e, Race Committee may regroup boats to make the best effort of similar performance.
- g. Boats entered during early registration shall receive 2 regatta caps.
- h. Entrants shall enter on-line with www.RegattaNetwork.com
 - i. http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/18171
- i. Classes will be first divided into Long Course and Short Course. Further splits will be decided by number of entrants of each course. The intent is to have the NS-B class(es) race the short course.
- j. GBCC trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the class with the greatest number of entrants, excluding NS-B class.
- k. Alice Cummings trophy shall be awarded to the highest placing male/female team of the class with the greatest number of male/female entries.

I. Single-handed class entry fee \$30

i. Includes 1 (one) dinner ticket

ii. After Early Registration deadline \$40 m. Double-handed class entry fee \$40

i. Includes 2 (two) dinner tickets

ii. After Early Registration deadline \$50

n. Additional Dinner tickets \$15 each

3. SCHEDULE

a. **Monday, September 23: Noon** On-line early entry deadline.

b. **Saturday, October 5: 9:30 a.m.** Registration ends.

c. Saturday, October 5: 10:00 a.m.
d. Saturday, October 5: 12 noon
Skipper's Meeting at Regatta Tent.
Warning signal for distance race.

e. **Saturday, October 5**: **Evening** Post-race social on beach with random prizes.

f. Saturday, October 5 Awards will be presented approximately one (1) hour after the last boat finishes.

4. MEASUREMENTS

a. Yachts will be rated under SCHRS rating system. Catamarans that do not have a listed rating, or an official SCHRS rating, a Race Committee will calculate a rating based on the SCHRS Ratings Calculator. Boat weight and sails will not be measured but assumed from data found.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The final sailing instructions will be distributed at the skippers meeting.
- b. Sailing Instructions may be posted early as a convenience.

6. VENUE

- **a.** All races will be sailed in the vicinity of Galveston Bay bordered by Bayport Ship Channel to the north, Houston Ship Channel to the east, San Leon shoreline to the south, and Kemah/Seabrook shoreline to the west.
- **b.** Regatta tent will be located along the waterfront of El Jardin Park, between El Jardin Dr. and Park Dr. See "Aerial of Staging Area" below.

7. THE COURSES

a. Distance race will use fixed marks/obstructions located in Galveston Bay and described in prescribed Sailing Instructions. Distance course can be a variation of marks with a maximum length of approximately 34 nm.

8. SCORING

- a. A single race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- b. Yachts shall be scored as one-design, or under SCHRS in the event of a non-one-design class forms.
- c. Class and fleet places will be scored.
- d. The overall Galveston Bay Catamaran Championship trophy will be awarded to the winner of the largest class, excluding NS-B.

9. BERTHING

- a. Racers will be permitted to store boats on the grass area, or on their trailer, during non-race times.
- b. All participants and support crews shall keep all areas clean and respectable.
- c. Camping is not allowed on grass areas or on beach area.
- d. A range of competitive hotels are available in Seabrook and La Porte areas. Local housing may also be available. Contact race organizer, Scott Tuma at **GBCC-TX@Comcast.net** for availability.

10. PRIZES

- a. Trophies will be awarded based on the number of registrants per class at end of **early registration**. Additional trophies may be awarded if more entries enter a class after early registration.
- b. Class awards will be awarded as follows:
 - i. 3 boats competing: 1st place awarded
 - ii. 6 boats competing: 1st and 2nd place awarded
 - iii. 9 boats competing: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awarded
 - iv. 12 boats competing: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place awarded
- c. Two regatta caps given to early registration teams.
- d. Random prizes may be given out at the end of each day.
- e. The overall GBCC trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the class with the greatest number of entrants.
- f. The Alice Cummings trophy will be awarded to the overall male/female team of the class with the greatest number of male/female entrants.

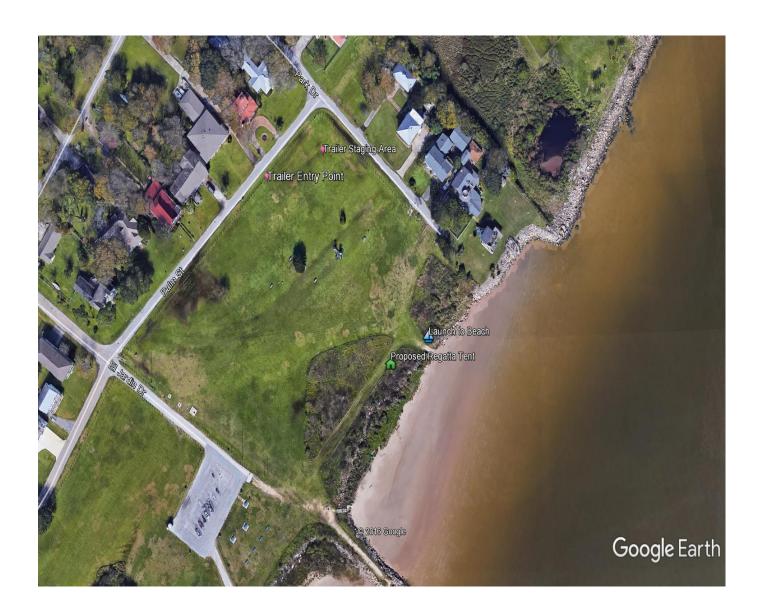
11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, and or the El Jardin Community Association 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.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

a. For further information, please contact the GBCC Race and Regatta Chairman, Scott Tuma, at GBCC-TX @Comcast.net.

Aerial of Staging Area



Regatta Site:

El Jardin Beach 500 El Jardin Dr. Seabrook, TX 77565