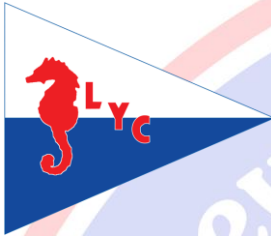


2012 J/Fest Southwest Regatta – October 13-14, 2012
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2012 J/Fest Southwest Regatta

Hosted By Lakewood Yacht Club

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Notice of Race

October 13th and 14th, 2012

Organizing Authority: Bay Access

2425 NASA Parkway

Seabrook, Texas

281-474-2511

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race@lakewoodyachtclub.com

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2009-2012, the safety regulations and rules of the individual one design classes, and Galveston Bay PHRF class rules for the J/PHRF and J/Cruise classes.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all J/Boats. Expected classes include J/22, J/24, J/80, J/105, J/109, J/PHRF Spin (Sym), J/PHRF Spin (Asym), and J/Cruise.
- 2.2. Classes require a minimum of 4 boats. Division splits and class selections may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.3. All classes without the sufficient number of boats are invited to participate in the J/PHRF (W/L) or J/Cruise (Distance) classes.
- 2.4. The Registration deadline is 1700 hours on Friday, September 28th, 2012. Late Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 10th, 2012 and will include an additional \$50 Late Fee. Entries after the Late Registration deadline may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee and will require an additional \$100 tax-deductible donation to Bay Access, Inc.

3. Entry Fees

- 3.1. The Entry Fee is \$95. A \$5.00 discount is available for US SAILING Members. The Entry Fee is payable by credit card or yacht club reciprocal charge. Entry fees will be refunded if a registrant notifies the Race Committee of the withdrawal prior to the Entry Deadline.

4. Schedule:

Friday, September 28th, 2012	
Entry deadline	1700 hours
Wednesday, October 10th, 2012	
Late Entry deadline	1700 hours
Friday, October 12th, 2012	
Skippers' meeting	1900 hours
Saturday, October 13th, 2012	
1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hours
Pool Party	1800 hours
Dinner	1830 hours
Sunday, October 14th, 2012	
1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hours
No Starts after	1300 hours
Awards Presentation	1600 hours

5. Insurance

- 5.1. Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

6. Race Area

- 6.1. The racing area will be in Galveston Bay, and generally East of Seabrook Channel Marker #2 and

West of the Houston Ship Channel. Multiple separate lines are planned.

7. Courses

Windward/Leeward Courses: Potential classes include J/22, J/24, J/80, J/105, J/109, J/PHRF Spin (Sym), J/PHRF Spin (Asym), and other J/boat One-Design classes.

Distance Course: Potential classes include J/Cruise.

8. Sailing Instructions

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' Meeting.

9. Notices to Competitors

9.1. 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.

10. Scoring and Prizes:

- 10.1. The Low Point Scoring system shall apply except that a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores. This modifies RRS A2 and A4.
- 10.2. Awards will be presented to at least the top third of each class, up to five. PHRF scoring will use time on distance (TOD) scoring.
- 10.3. Additional prizes may be awarded to participants by sponsors.

11. Measurement

11.1. Boats competing in the PHRF and J/Cruise classes shall submit a current rating certificate from the cognizant rating authority (e.g. PHRF-GB) prior to the entry deadline, unless a current certificate is already on file with Lakewood Yacht Club (ie., competed in 2012 Bay Cup I, 2012 Shoe Regatta, 2012 Bay Cup II).

12. Waivers

- 12.1. No boat shall participate in this regatta unless the skipper and all crew members have submitted a Waiver and Release of Liability prior to the Skippers Meeting; At the discretion of the Race Committee Chair, crew member waivers may be accepted after the Skippers Meeting but prior to the race start. Failure to submit a waiver for each crew member will result in the entry being incomplete and the boat will not be considered to be participating in the event.
- 12.2. Skipper waivers are submitted with the on-line entry form. Crew member waivers are submitted on-line at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=5497

12.3. A link to the crew waiver is available on the LakewoodYachtClub.com website in the lower right hand corner. A link to the list of all persons who have submitted waivers is also provided:

http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registrant_list.php?regatta_id=5497&custom_report_id=70

12.4. It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to check in on race day to verify that the boat has met the entry requirement.

13. Race Tracking

- 13.1. Boat classes will have the option to participate in race tracking using the Kattack System. Class participation will be coordinated with the class representative for each class and the Organizing Authority represented by Bob Hunkins (rdhunkins@verizon.net). Competitors will have the option of renting a race tracker or purchasing the Kattack smart phone application (currently \$10). Tracker rental will incur a cost of \$50. Competitors who are using the smart phone application will be charged a regatta set-up fee of \$10. These race tracking fees will be charged at registration. Classes are encouraged to communicate early their desire to participate in order to allow timely acquisition of the race trackers and software set-up.
- 13.2. Races will be broadcast near-live over the internet at <http://www.kattack.com>. Live viewing stations will be set up in the LYC club house, and races will be replayed during post race entertainment.

14. Spectator Boat

- 14.1. A spectator boat (74' motoryacht) will be available on Saturday, October 13th for family and friends of J/Fest sailors to view the racing action. The fee is \$20 per person, and includes lunch and beverages.
- 14.2. The spectator boat will leave the dock at 9:00 am on Saturday, October 13th, and return at 1:30 pm. Space is limited and reservations must be made on Regatta Network. Reservation deadline is September 28th, 2012.

15. 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.

16. Docking/Launching

Competitors are welcome to leave their boats in the Inner harbor of LYC during the Regatta, however reservations must be made in advance by contacting the LYC Harbor Administrator, Lynda Hall, at 281-474-2540. We expect to have the launch crane for the larger boats (>2 tons) available on Friday 10/12 afternoon and Sunday 10/14 afternoon (please call LYC in advance and schedule a Launch time appointment). Launching crane for smaller boats (< 2 tons) and boat ramp are available at no charge.

17. Accommodations/Lodging

Nearby accommodations in Seabrook are available, and are offering special event rates. Be sure to request the "*J/Fest Regatta rate*".

Seabrook Hotels & Motels:

Comfort Inn & Suites

2901 NASA Parkway
Seabrook, TX 77586
281-326-3301

Comfort Suites Seabrook

5755 Bayport Blvd.
Seabrook, TX 77586
281-291-9090

Hampton Inn

3000 NASA Parkway
Seabrook, TX 77586
281-532-9200

Quality Inn & Suite Seabrook

2720 NASA Parkway
Seabrook, TX 77586
281-326-7200

SpringHill Suites Houston

NASA/Seabrook
2120 NASA Parkway

Seabrook, TX 77586

281-474-3456

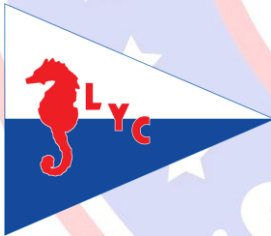
Seabrook Bed & Breakfasts:

Beacon Hill Guest House and B&B

3705 NASA Parkway
Seabrook, TX 77586
281-326-7643

Further Information: For further information please contact Lakewood Yacht Club at (281) 474-2511 or race@lakewoodyachtclub.com or Al Goethe, J/Fest Committee Chair at 713-306-7424 or email ankgoethe@gmail.com.

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