



NOTICE OF RACE  
**2015 Fiesta Regatta**  
**HILL COUNTRY YACHT CLUB (HCYC)**  
April 25 – 26, 2015



- 1. RULES:** This regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016, this Notice of Race, as modified by the Fiesta Regatta Sailing Instructions, and by appropriate class rules.
- 2. ELIGIBILITY:** This is an open regatta to PHRF and Portsmouth (centerboard). Three or more one design or level class boats may race as a class. Fewer boats of one design may race as a class at the Race Committee's discretion. All others will race under the applicable handicap system, PHRF for keelboats. PHRF ratings for keelboats will be published in the PHRF directory for of the PHRF of the Alamo venue. Portsmouth class boats will be rated per U.S. Sailing tables unless otherwise notified by boat skipper. Boats not rated will be assigned a rating at the event.
- 3. CLASSES:** Anticipated classes are Portsmouth Centerboard, ODay Daysailer, PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-spinnaker, Catalina 22, and J/22. Multiple fleets will be formed.
- 4. FEES COVER:** Registration fee of \$35 includes entry for skipper and crew, after race beverages, FOUR Saturday dinner tickets, live music Saturday night, and FOUR Sunday lunches in the club house prior to trophy presentations. Additional Saturday Dinner or Sunday Lunch tickets are available for \$5 each. **Please, note the Hill Country Yacht Club does not serve beer or alcoholic beverages. Racers and guests are welcome to BYOB.**
- 5. LATE FEE:**  
\$10.00 late fee will be charged to **any entry payment received after April 19, 2015.**
- 6. PAYMENT:** Payment will be accepted through Regatta Network® by credit card, PayPal, or club charge for registrants who are members in good standing of yacht clubs affiliated with Yachting Club of America. Proof of current club membership will be required at check-in for club charge, except for HCYC and LCYC. **No cash or checks will be accepted on site.**
- 7. SCORING:** The Low Point System noted in RRS Appendix A will apply. Five races are scheduled. One race completed shall constitute a regatta. RRS A2 is amended; no throw-outs will be allowed unless more than five races are completed as noted in next sentence. Additional races may be run at the discretion of the race committee; if more than five races are completed, one throw-out will be allowed.
- 8. TROPHIES:** 3-4 boats = 1 trophy; 5-7 = 2; 8-9 = 3; 10-15 = 4. Minimum trophies per fleet will be 1 trophy.
- 9. SAIL NUMBERS:** Sail numbers must be displayed in accordance with RRS G1. Requests for exceptions to this requirement must be made in writing to Fiesta Regatta PRO no later than skippers meeting, Saturday morning. This changes RRS G1.

## **10. ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:**

**FRIDAY, April 24<sup>th</sup>:** 5 pm – ? pm Informal socialization in the HCYC clubhouse.

**SATURDAY, April 25<sup>th</sup>:**

8:30 am to 9:30 am Check-in and late registration in the HCYC clubhouse

9:45 am Opening Ceremonies on the HCYC deck

10:00 am Skippers Meeting in the HCYC club house

12:00 noon First Signal for first race; additional races to follow.

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm Post-race refreshments

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm Dinner.

8:00 pm Live music on the HCYC deck.

**SUNDAY, April 26<sup>th</sup>:**

10 am First Signal for first race; additional races to follow.

No warning signal will be made after 12:00 noon.

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Lunch and refreshments

2:00 pm Awards Ceremony

**11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Fiesta Regatta Sailing instructions will be posted to event website and available at on-site check-in.

**12. VENUE:** Racing will occur on Canyon Lake on one or more courses in the vicinity of Hill Country Yacht Club and/or on the main body of Canyon Lake. The location of courses and assignments of fleets will be posted on the official Notice Board of the HCYC Club House prior to the skipper's meeting.

**13. THE COURSES:** Diagrams of the courses to be sailed will be described in the Fiesta Regatta Sailing Instructions.

**14. BOAT STORAGE:** During the regatta, boats may be stored Friday and Saturday nights in slips or tie ups provided for gratis by the Canyon Lake Marina. Priority will be given to boats from beyond Canyon Lake. **On-line registration by April 19, 2014 is strongly advised as space may be limited.** Those entrants arriving early or leaving late must make arrangements with the Canyon Lake Marina office.

**15. LAUNCHING:** Primary ramp for launching will be at the Canyon Lake Marina. Corp of Engineer Parks, Canyon Park and Potter's Creek Park also have boat ramps, as does Joint Base San Antonio Recreation Park at Canyon Lake. Public ramp #17, located behind Sun Chaser Marina, FM 306 and Jacob's Creek Road, is also a nearby and excellent ramp for launching small boats. Please contact these parks for camping and launching information.

**16. RADIO COMMUNICATION:** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

**18. INSURANCE:** Each participating Skipper/boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance at skipper's or owner's expense.

**19. PHOTOGRAPHY and VIDEO RIGHTS:** All marks, pictures, audio and video recordings, graphic logos and service names contained herein or produced during the Regatta by or on behalf of the HCYC or individual photographers are the properties of the HCYC or individual photographers. No rights are granted to use pictures, graphic logos and service names without written permission from the HCYC Executive Committee or individual photographers. Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

**20. ACCOMMODATIONS:** Camping is not permitted on the Canyon Lake Marina grounds. However, there are several Corp of Engineers parks with camping options, Canyon Park and Potters Creek, in the immediate vicinity, Joint Base San Antonio Recreation Park at Canyon Lake, and numerous motels and campgrounds within minutes of HCYC. There are numerous hotels in New Braunfels. Reserve early, as Fiesta® San Antonio is a major tourism event.

**21. FACILITIES FOR USE AT CANYON LAKE MARINA:** A mast raising tower is available for racers' use. Showers and restrooms are available at the Canyon Lake Marina and at the Hill Country Yacht Club. The Canyon Lake Marina maintains a Ship's Store where gasoline, soft drinks, beer, snacks, ice cream, lake apparel, and various boat related items are sold. Jet skis, ski boats, and pontoon boats may also be rented. There is also a restaurant on the hill above the marina. Days and hours of operation vary. Marina repair services are also available Tuesday through Saturday. Other marine services are in the area.

**23. DIRECTIONS:**

From Hwy 281- go east on FM 306 for about 13 miles. Turn right on Canyon Park Road. Go 1.0 miles, turn right on Marina Road. Go .1 miles to the Canyon Lake Marina parking lot.

From IH 35- go west on FM 306 for about 17 miles. Turn left on Canyon Park Road. Go 1.0 miles, turn right on Marina Road. Go .1 miles to the Canyon Lake Marina parking lot.

**24. PETS:** For the safety and consideration of other sailors, HCYC requests that all participants honor our no pet policy at the regatta.

**25. FIESTA® SAN ANTONIO:** The HCYC Fiesta Regatta is not associated with Fiesta® San Antonio in anyway. However, information on Fiesta® San Antonio will be freely distributed as available. Every effort will be made to end racing on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> early enough for racers come ashore, clean up, and partake in evening festivities at HCYC or San Antonio for the Flambeau night parade, the largest illuminated night parade in the United States. Racers and their guests are also encouraged to attend the Battle of Flowers Parade held on the afternoon of Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. The Battle of Flowers Parade pays tribute to the fallen heroes of the Alamo.