



## U.S. DISABLED SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP



Dear **Sailing Competitor**,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the U.S. Disabled Championship and Southwestern Yacht Club (SWYC), welcome to **San Diego**!

### CLUB WEBSITE:

Information about **SWYC** and the surrounding area is available at [www.southwesternyc.org](http://www.southwesternyc.org). A daily update including results and photos will be posted daily at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/disabledchamps/> Competitors will be required to sign the photo release form.

### HOUSING:

There are several hotels within a few miles of **SWYC**. The following hotels have offered discount rates for the regatta participants:

- **Homewood Suites by Hilton** – \$199 per night – Details can be found [http://homewoodsuites.hilton.com/en/hw/groups/personalized/S/SANLSHW-USL-20150827/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://homewoodsuites.hilton.com/en/hw/groups/personalized/S/SANLSHW-USL-20150827/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)
- **Hampton Inn** – \$169 per night – contact Thiago Dasilva at **619-652-4921** or [thiago.dasilva@dimdev.com](mailto:thiago.dasilva@dimdev.com)
- **Humphreys Half Moon Inn & Suites** – \$169 per night – 619-398-9495
- **Kona Kai Resort & Marina** – \$199 per night – contact Diane Guerrero at 619-819-8153 or [dguerrero@sdkonakai.com](mailto:dguerrero@sdkonakai.com)

More details on the above hotel options can be found on the SWYC website at [www.southwestgernyc.org](http://www.southwestgernyc.org) on the Special Events Page of the site.

### TRANSPORTATION:

US Sailing and United Airlines have teamed up to provide us with discounted travel to this year's championship. To get the discount, sailors must log in to US Sailing's website under <http://www.ussailing.org/membership/benefits/> . This discount applies only to specified US Sailing events but can be used by sailors, officials, and other US Sailing members traveling to the championship. This does not apply to international travel unfortunately.

SWYC is less than 3 miles from San Diego International Airport; the hotels mentioned above have transportation to/from the airport.

### MEALS:

Meals for each competitor will be provided throughout the Regatta.

- Commodore's reception will be provided on Wednesday evening.



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- Continental Breakfast at SWYC each morning at 8:00AM.
- Welcome cookout is Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at SWYC
- No dinner is provided on Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>
- Awards Ceremony/Dinner Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

*Guests may buy armbands that cover all Regatta meals & Awards Ceremony for \$100 when they register electronically or at Early Registration (August 25<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 - 6:00 PM) or Registration (August 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-12:00).*

### CLINIC:

A US Sailing on the Water Sailing Clinic will be held on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM to 2:00PM.

### COACHES

While private coaches are welcome, they must have US Sailing Level 3 certification to get on the water credentials. See <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/>

### CLASSIFICATION

Classification will be conducted on Monday/Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>. **Prior Arrangements must be made.** See the event website at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/disabledchamps/> for details and the attached FAQ's.

### AWARDS:

To be held at SWYC during the Awards Banquet Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup>.

### CHARTER BOATS:

Capri 22's and Development Class Hansa Liberties are available for charter. Coordination of charters via SWYC, contact Carolyn Sherman, at [cmaidn@yahoo.com](mailto:cmaidn@yahoo.com) or 619-269-1726.

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing instructions will be distributed at Registration and will be available on the Championship website at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/disabledchamps/>

### REMINDER:

**Championship Fleet Classes require a minimum of 5 entries**  
**Development Fleet Classes require a minimum of 5 entries**



*We look forward to having a great Regatta*

Sincerely,

Regatta Co-chairs

Sandra Sherman – [slsherman@cox.net](mailto:slsherman@cox.net)

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## **Frequently Asked Questions about the 2015 U.S. Disabled Sailing Championship Regatta**

- 1) Where? The regatta will be held in San Diego, California. The races will be held in the San Diego Harbor between Shelter/Harbor Islands and Coronado Island. Actual courses are to be determined and will depend on conditions at the time of the regatta.
- 2) Host? Southwestern Yacht Club is the event host. SWYC has recently opened a beautiful new facility. They have a long tradition of sailing, racing and providing race committees many times a year. For more on SWYC see [www.southwesternyc.org](http://www.southwesternyc.org)
- 3) What's the weather like in August in San Diego? That's a good question – here is some 'average' information:  
[http://gocalifornia.about.com/od/casdmnu/ss/san\\_diego\\_by\\_month\\_10.htm](http://gocalifornia.about.com/od/casdmnu/ss/san_diego_by_month_10.htm) Please check Southwestern YC's site for updated info.
- 4) Classes? Currently, there are 5 types of boats with 5 fleets.
  - Capri 22 (3 crew)
  - Martin 16 (2 crew) Championship fleet without spinnaker; see NOR. 2.4m (1 crew)
  - Access Dinghy Liberty Development fleet (1 crew)
  - Access Dinghy 303 Development (2 crew)
- 5) SWYC has agreed to provide a race committee for other classes that choose to attend with at least 5 boats.
- 6) Boat Availability
  - 2.4m boats must be provided and/or arranged by the competitors. Note: there may be transportation for 2.4m boats available, more on that as it develops.
  - A limited number of Martin 16 boats will be available for competitors to use. Competitors are also encouraged to provide/arrange for their own Martin 16s. (see NOR)
  - A limited number of Capri 22s will be available for charter for a fee. These boats are part of a local club and are used frequently for one design racing. They are virtually identical and kept in good condition. Please contact Carolyn Sherman for more information about obtaining boats – [cmajdn@yahoo.com](mailto:cmajdn@yahoo.com)
  - Some accommodations will be available for the competitors in the Capri fleet; specifically a helm/transfer seat and jib trimmer seat. If a competitor requires further accommodations they may provide their own but must get owner's approval and be non-destructive to the boat.
  - Note: The Capri 22s will not have spinnakers or whisker poles.



- 7) Competitor classification required?  
Championship fleet competitors should be classified. Development fleet competitors will need to fill out the IDEAS form that can be found on the US Sailing site:  
<http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Page3875.aspx>
- 8) All competitors must be current US Sailing members.
- 9) There will be an official available on the day prior to the regatta for anyone who wants/needs to be classified. You must complete and submit at least three (3) weeks in advance the document at  
<http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Assets/Race+Admin/Classifiers/Documents/Classification+Review+2009.pdf>. (Please check as we get closer for specific date/time that you will be scheduled for classification.)
- 10) Will there be discounted hotels in the area? Yes, SWYC has arranged local hotels in the area. See the registration letter for details.
- 11) Will there be discounted airfare? Yes, see the registration letter for details.
- 12) Can competitors bring their own sails? Yes, per class rules.
- 13) Will the Martin 16s use spinnakers? No.
- 14) Will competitors be allowed to move (tack) in the cockpit on the Capri 22's? Yes.
- 15) Can crews have an AB aboard? Only for blind crews and development class skippers.
- 16) Will boats be available prior to the regatta? Yes, but please contact SWYC (Carolyn [cmaidn@yahoo.com](mailto:cmaidn@yahoo.com)) for more details. There will be an on the water clinic on August 26<sup>th</sup>.
- 17) Will there be spectator boats for families/friends/support? Yes, SWYC is arranging for a number of spectator boats along with race committee, regatta support, and safety boats.
- 18) What about photos and updates? A daily update including results and photos will be posted daily at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/disabledchamps/> Competitors will be required to sign the 'usual' photo release form.
- 19) What about the schedule of events, meals, etc.? Please see the registration letter for more details.
- 20) Who do you contact for more information?  
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