

Hosted by Lakewood Yacht Club

Notice of Race May 14 and 15, 2016 Organizing Authority: Bay Access 2425 NASA Parkway Seabrook, Texas (281) 474-2511 (281) 474-3502 (fax) race@lakewoodyachtclub.com

1. Rules:

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.
- 1.2. For the J/70 class the J/70 Class Rules (CR) I.1 (Spare Gennaker) and I.3 (support boats) shall apply.
- 1.3. Only the US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 40, 67, and 76.1 and added Rules 61.4 and 82 shall apply.

2. Race Area:

The racing area will be in Galveston Bay, South of Red Bluff, North of Eagle Point and West of the Houston Ship Channel. Three separate lines are planned.

3. Classes and Courses:

- 3.1. Classes require a minimum of 4 boats. Division splits and class selections may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.2. Windward/Leeward Courses: Potential classes include PHRF Spinnaker, Viper 640, J/22, J/24, J/70, J/80, J/105, J109, and other One-Design classes.
- 3.3. Distance Course: Potential classes include PHRF Non-Spinnaker, Cruising Spinnaker Class, Cruising Non-Spinnaker Class, and other distance classes.

4. Schedule:

Wednesday, May 11, 2016		
	Entry deadline	2100 hours
Friday, May 13, 2016		
	Skippers' meeting	1930 hours
Saturday, May 14, 2016		
	1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hours
	Pool Party	1800 hours
	Dinner	1900 hours
Sunday, May 1 <mark>5,</mark> 2016		
	1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hours
	No race starts after	1300 hours
	Awards Presentation	1600 hours

5. Measurement:

All classes except One Design and Cruising classes shall submit a current rating certificate from the cognizant rating authority (e.g. PHRF-GB, Texas Offshore Multihull Association, etc.) prior to the entry deadline, unless a current certificate is already on file with Lakewood Yacht Club (i.e. the boat competed in 2016 Bay Cup I or 2016 Heald Bank Offshore Race). Cruising boats shall complete and submit the Cruising Class Rating Form online during the registration process from which a "club handicap" will be assigned by the Race Committee, or Cruising boats may verify on the online registration form that the boat competed in a recent Harvest Moon Regatta® and that the boat is listed in the HMR database online and all information is correct and current. The database can be found via the harvestmoonregatta.com website, on the Regatta Information/Enter the Race page, item 4 or via this link:

http://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0AghlYbn7-GnFdFFlbzJ5MlNuWktUdjZUaHU4QmpLLWc&hl=en#gid=0

6. Conditions of Entry:

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Bay Access, Inc., Lakewood Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any yacht or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

7. Waivers:

No boat shall participate in this race 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.

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=12257

A link to the crew waiver is also available on the 'Regattas' tab of the LakewoodYachtClub.com website. A link to the list of all persons who have submitted waivers is available on the LYC website and here:

http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registrant_list.php?regatta_id=12257&custom_ report_id=70

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.

8. Insurance:

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

9. Entry Fees:

The Entry Fee is \$85. 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.

10. Entry Deadline:

The Entry must be submitted by 2100 hours on Wednesday, May 11, 2016. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee but will require a \$75 tax-deductible donation to Bay Access, Inc.

11. Sailing Instructions:

The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' Meeting. Sailing Instructions may be available electronically after the Skippers Meeting.

12. Notices to Competitors:

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.

13. Scoring and Prizes:

- 13.1. Skipper and crew of the winning boat in each class will receive a pair of Musto Sailing Shoes.
- 13.2. Awards shall be presented to at least 2 places in each class with 4 or more competitors. PHRF scoring will use time on distance (TOD) scoring.
- 13.3. Races will be scored in accordance with RRS 90.3 and no score will be excluded. This changes Appendix A2.
- 13.4. One (1) completed race during the series is required to constitute a regatta.

14. 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.

15. 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, Linda Hall, at (281) 474-2540. Launching cranes and ramps are available at no charge.

16. Check In:

At each yacht's Prestart Check-in, every soul aboard shall be visible on deck wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD).

17. Interference with Commercial Traffic:

Any participant who interferes with commercial shipping traffic transiting the area will be disqualified.

Further Information: For further information, please contact Lakewood Yacht Club at (281) 474-2511 or <u>race@lakewoodyachtclub.com</u> or Larry Rogers, LYC Race Committee Chair at (832) 228-7052 or <u>rogersljr@sbcglobal.net</u>





