# **NOTICE OF RACE**

March 16 & 17, 2019

## 2019 Laser District 23 Open and Masters Championship Regatta

Hosted by the *Arizona Yacht Club* At Lake Pleasant, AZ

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, and by the International Laser Class Association ILCA. The event is open to all current ILCA members. No others can sail in this event.
- 1.2. Banned Substances and methods. This modifies Rule 5, Alcoholic and illegal narcotics will be appended to the list of banned substances.

### 2. BOATS and SAILS

- 2.1. An ILCA legal Laser® sailboat will be used. Each Owner's boat and its equipment will be required to meet the requirements as shown and described in the International Laser Class Association 2018 Handbook.
- 2.2. Class legal sails are required. A Standard or Radial sail can be used. Rig swapping will be allowed but only at the beginning of each day of racing.
- 2.3. Inspection and Measurement: All equipment must be Class Legal and may be checked at any time during the Regatta.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Competitors of the age of 16 years or older may enter the regatta by completing registration with the organizing authority, the Arizona Yacht Club through the **Regattanetwork.com**.
- 3.2. Competitors to provide their age as of March 16th. Those 35 years and older qualify as Masters sailors in addition to being included in the Open Championship. If participating as a Master, please indicate so on the Registration Form.

## 4. FEES

**4.1. The entry fee will be \$50 per person/boat.** See 'Other Regatta Activities, 5.1 below for details regarding what is included in this fee.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

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	RACE DAY	DATE	Beginning Time:
	Skipper's mtg.	March 16, 2019	7:45 am
	Saturday	March 16, 2019	9:30 am
	Sunday	March 17, 2019	9:30 am

The last race of each day will begin no later than:

Saturday: No later than 3:30 PM Sunday: No later than 12:00 PM

- 5.1 Other Regatta Activities (included in fee):
  - 7:00 am <u>Saturday and Sunday</u>: Coffee, rolls, juice and water will be available
  - Noon(ish) Saturday: Lunch bags and water will be available at the start area for a period of 45 minute to 1 hour and as near to Noon as the racing permits.
  - 6:00 pm Saturday: BBQ/Dinner at a Ramada adjacent to the launch area.
  - Sunday Awards Presentation: As soon as possible after racing is done, all boats have returned to the regatta site, and final race results have been tabulated.
  - Alcoholic beverages will not be served by the Arizona Yacht Club. Individuals may provide them at their own discretion
  - Regatta T-shirts are available online for an additional fee of \$25 each.
  - Extra Meals (each): Breakfast(s), \$4.00, Dinner: \$8.00, Lunch (not available)
  - Note: The fee for Park entry is \$6.00/ car. There may be other fees for camping.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be published on the **regattanetwork.com** web site. Paper copies will be available to competitors at the Skipper's meeting.

### 7. ALTERATIONS TO RULES

- 7.1. Starting Races: AYC fleet boards will be substituted for class flags. This modifies rule 26.
- 7.2. Identification on sails: Each boat shall display the sail number designated on

her accepted regatta registration. This changes Rule 77. Note that numbers and letters drawn on the sail with permanent ink pen are not legal.

#### 8. COURSES TO BE SAILED

- 8.1. The race area and courses to be sailed are shown on the current Arizona Yacht Club Lake Pleasant Course Chart L.
- 8.2. Courses will be determined by the Race Committee for each race and will be posted atop the race committee boat during the start sequence for each race (in lieu of flags).

## 9. EQUIPMENT

All Competitors must wear an approved USCG Personal Flotation Device.

#### 10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point Scoring system (RRS Appendix A) and the ILCA *Masters* Category scoring will be used per the NA Masters handicap system.
- 10.2. Eight races are scheduled, weather/wind permitting. A minimum of 3 races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 10.3. When five or more races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes Rule A2.1.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.5. Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE). Boats identified TLE shall be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one point without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.6. The NA Masters handicap systems will be in place to determine the overall series placing for those competitors qualifying to also compete in the Masters category. For each completed race the following points are added to a competitor's score; Add the following points: Apprentice Master, 3 points; Master, 2 points, Grand Master, 1 point; Great Grant Master, 0 points.
- 10.7. For the purposes of Masters scoring the Non-Master competitors finishing positions are removed to determine the

order of finish for the Masters competitors.

### **PRIZES**

- 10.8. All registered boats will race as one fleet. Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place in the Open Category.
- 10.9. Additional prizes will be awarded to the top finisher in each Masters Category. Additional awards may go deeper if participation warrants.
- 10.10. Masters Category Age Groups are as follows: (For each race counted the handicap score gets added to a competitor's score):

  Apprentice Master: 35 to 44 years old Master: 45 to 54 years old Grand Master: 55 to 64 years old Great Grand Master: 65+ years old

### **11. RISK**

Competitors Participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk: See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Arizona Yacht Club 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.

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