



CAT FIGHT I Regatta

March 28 & 29, 2020

Hosted by Mission Bay Yacht Club

1215 El Carmel Place, San Diego, CA 92109

Revision 1

NOTICE OF RACE

CLASSES: All catamarans between 15 and 22.5 feet in length are eligible. Boat classes including Nacra-20, Nacra-20Carbon, F18, F16, Nacra-15 and A-cat are welcome. Other catamaran or trimaran classes are welcome. Each boat is required to meet the internationally recognized criteria for their particular class. The Nacra Inter 20 class will also allow upgrades consistent with those allowed within the F18 class, including alternate brand sails, mid-pole spinnaker set-ups, etc. This regatta will be sailed in conjunction with the MBYC Soling fleet on the same race course who have a separate NOR.

ENTRIES: Entry forms must be completed and paid prior to 10:00 am March 28, 2020 through Regatta Network or at the registration table inside the MBYC club house which opens at 9:30 on Saturday. Entry fee is \$40 for 2-crew boats and \$25 for single handed boats if registered on or prior to March 22 using RegattaNetwork.com. ~~Entry fee increases by \$10 for late registrations after March 22.~~

Payment through RegattaNetwork.com is by credit or debit card or PayPal; payment in person on Saturday is cash or checks only; no credit cards or club charge. Please make checks out to: "MBYC Multihull Fleet". Entry forms will be available at the registration desk.

SCHEDULE: A competitor's meeting will be held Saturday 10:00 am on the north lawn where most catamarans launch from. Target number of races is four on Saturday and three on Sunday. The first warning will be at 12:30 pm both days. Sailing time from MBYC to the race course is approximately 45-60 minutes. On Sunday, no race will start after 3:30 pm. The start of the second race will be as soon as possible after the completion of the first race and so forth. A minimum of two races shall constitute a regatta.

RULES: The organizing authority for this regatta is Mission Bay Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing as amended and adopted by USSA, except as amended by the MBYC Sailing Instructions. Changes in sailing instructions shall be made in writing before a race by posting in proper time on the official notice board. The official notice board is on the south side of the MBYC clubhouse. For classes (e.g. F-18) which have a minimum crew weight requirement, crew weight will be measured at registration. This is a category A event for advertising.

US F18 MEMBERSHIP: For Formula 18 catamarans the helm or crew must be a current 2020 member of the United States F18 class. Only one person is required to be members for this event but it is encouraged that both sailors are members. F18 sailors purchase your membership at: <https://usf18.com/membership/> \$30 for one-time fee or \$25 for recurring membership.

COURSES & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The racing will be in the ocean off Mission Bay (weather permitting). The courses for these races will be prescribed in the sailing instructions but will likely include windward-leeward courses with options for multiple laps with either windward or downwind finishes. A long windward mark off-set mark and a leeward gate may be used. If a class with a minimum of five boats desires a separate start it will be provided. Otherwise boats will be divided into spinnaker and non-spinnaker fleets. Scoring will be time handicapped using the current ISAF SCHRS handicaps across all the classes of boats. The Sailing Instructions for this regatta will be available at the MBYC regatta registration table.

LAUNCHING: Most boats will rig on the lawn to the north of the club house and launch on the adjoining beach. In addition, two hoists exist at MBYC and are also available for launching. Overnight trailer parking is provided at the club. Check in at the front desk at MBYC for any questions and trailer parking location.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT: A towing line is required. Also it is recommended (but not required) that all boats have a hand-held VHF radio on board to communicate with the RC in emergency situations. There will be communications from the RC to the fleets over the VHF radio including calling boats over the line at the start, if possible. The channel to be used will be announced at the competitors meeting.

RECOGNITION & SCORING: No physical trophies will be provided for this event. Competitor recognition will depend on the number and type of entrants. Recognition will be awarded between all classes based on handicap scoring and the determination of the Regatta Chair based on entries:

- Overall Cat Fight 1 Champion
- Mix Team Champion (one woman, one man team)
- All Women's Team Champion
- Young Team Champion (both helm and crew under 30)
- Classic Boat Team (based on which boats enter)
- Family Team (mixed generation team – not spouses)
- Clydsdale Trophy (for F18 team greater than 364 lbs)

There will be a perpetual trophy awarded to the top finisher between the combined Cat Fight 1 and Cat Fight 2 regattas at the conclusion of Cat Fight 2. Scoring for this trophy will combine the point score from both regattas and the lowest total is awarded the trophy.

When fewer than six races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all its race scores excluding her worst excludable score.

MEAL INFORMATION: Breakfast and box lunches are available at the MBYC galley for a reasonable cost.

REGATTA DINNER: We will have an area reserved on the deck for competitors to socialize and eat after the regatta if desired. ~~We encourage~~ People may order dinner off the MBYC bar menu. ~~When you register you will be asked if you are interested in a buffet dinner which will be arranged if we have at least 25 people interested in the option.~~

MBYC RESTRICTIONS: Motor homes or recreational vehicles are allowed inside the MBYC gate but no camping or overnight lodging is allowed within the club. No pets are allowed on the MBYC grounds. Empty boat trailers are to be parked along the west fence. Boats are welcome to arrive on Friday to set-up for the regatta.

BOAT STORAGE: Non-MBYC members may store their boats in the MBYC parking lot free of charge either one week prior to the event or one week after the event to facilitate travel, practice or competition the weekend before or after Cat Fight. The boat trailer must be registered at the MBYC office (hours 8:00 – 5:00) and hang the green registration tag from the trailer or boat.

REGATTA CHAIR: Steve Stroebel

INQUIRIES: Competitors and/or guests who have questions or requests should contact: Steve at steve.stroebel@cox.net or 619-987-4630