NOTICE OF RACE
TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA
THE FWBC JR. OL’ MAN OF THE SEA REGATTA
Fort Worth Boat Club, 10000 Boat Club Road, Fort Worth, Texas
June 20 – 21, 2020

The Fort Worth Boat Club, as the Organizing Authority (OA) cordially invites you to the 2020 Junior Ol’ Man of the Sea Regatta on beautiful Eagle Mountain Lake.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

Social distancing and disinfecting measures may be in place, including but not limited to:

- Any CDC, The State of Texas and Tarrant County guidelines / restrictions in effect will be strictly followed.
- Wearing gators, buffs or masks is encouraged and may be required in some areas.
- Bring hand sanitizer for use on shore and on the water.
- Open air briefings with maximum distance between teams.
- Staggered dock times.
- No weather delays. If conditions for sailing are poor or non-existent (Rain or No Wind), we will evaluate situation within 30 minutes to cancel racing for the day.
- No Community Water jugs will be provided. Each individual and Team will be responsible to bring their own source of water. Individual bottles of water will be for sale in the boson shed.
- Breakfast items will be limited.
- No dinner buffet will be provided. Club Restaurant will be available for to go orders only. A menu will be posted on the Notice Board. Call 817.236.8393 to place orders.
- No Slip-n-Slide / Pool Party
- It is critical to be mindful of how you feel, and particularly when ANY of the potential COVID-19 symptoms are present to stay home and notify us at first notice.

As a reminder, if you or those in your immediate household experience these symptoms or combinations of symptoms, you may have (or have been exposed to) COVID-19 and should notify us immediately:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
1. RULES:

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 “The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions” apply and are available on the web site at http://www.txsail.org/. A copy will also be available at the regatta site.

1.3 The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.

1.4 Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems are modified for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

1.5 All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form. Sail numbers meeting class standards are required.

1.6 Appendix P – Special Procedure for Rule 42 will apply to all fleets except Opti Green. However, P2.1 will apply for all penalties. P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.

2. ADVERTISING:

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Standard, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (420 Club, 420 Collegiate, I-420) classes. All classes are “bring your own boat”. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.

3.2 The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty years of age during this calendar year.

3.3 Optimists are sailed in four fleets:

3.3.1 Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15

3.3.2 White Fleet: Age 10 and under

3.3.3 Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12

3.3.4 Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15

3.4 For Optimist White, Blue and Red fleets, skipper’s age on the first day of the regatta determines his or her fleet. Skippers move fleets on their 11th and 13th birthdays. Those turning 15 may continue in Red fleet through 12/31 of that year.

4. ENTRY FEE:

The entry fee is $65 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. A late fee of $25 will be assessed for registrations after Friday, June 12, 2020 at midnight CST, one (1) week prior to the Saturday of the regatta. The entry fee includes one event gift and the following meals for each sailor: Limited Breakfast and Lunch on Saturday and Limited Breakfast and Lunch on Sunday. There will be a “Sandwich” question on the Regatta Network registration, this is a required field for Sunday’s lunch option.

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:
5.1 Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online at http://www.txsail.org.

5.2 Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Friday, June 19, 2020 between 1600 – 1900 and Saturday, June 20, 2020, between 0800 a.m. and 0900 a.m. in the Jr. Sailing Doggie Room. Execution of a Liability Release Agreement as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed Medical Consent Form to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents’ unavailability during the regatta.

5.3 All sailors are required to check in by 09:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 20, 2020 at the registration table, even if the sailor pre-registered by mail or other means.

6. SCHEDULE:

6.1 Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled. One or more races will constitute a regatta. If five or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten or more races are completed there will be one additional throw out – two total – for scoring purposes.

6.2 The schedule for the regatta is:

**Friday, June 19, 2020:**
16:00 - 19:00 The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats and Competitor Check in.

**Saturday, June 20, 2020:**
08:00 - 09:30 Breakfast.
08:00 - 09:00 Registration at the Jr. Sailing Doggie Room.
09:30 Skipper’s Meeting on the Lawn between Boson Shed and Doggie Room, Social Distancing is required.
10:00 Harbor Start.
11:00 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow.
Between Races Lunch will be served on the water, subject to change due to weather.

**Sunday, June 21, 2020:**
08:00-09:00 Breakfast.
09:00 Harbor Start.
10:00 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow.

6.3 No warning signal for a race will be given after 13:30 on Sunday, June 21, 2020.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be provided ONLINE at the TSA Website (http://www.txsail.org/) and posted on the Notice Board.

8. VENUE:
Races will be conducted on the waters of Eagle Mountain Lake.

9. COURSES:
All fleets will typically sail windward/leeward, triangle, box, or Olympic-style courses.
10. **SAFETY:**

A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing.

11. **DISCIPLINE:**

11.1 Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S.: IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.

11.2 All competitors, coaches and parents are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.

11.3 Hearings related to 12.1 and 12.2 will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.

12. **TROPHY PRESENTATION:**

Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday, afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed. There will be three (3) places awarded for each fleet within a class. There will be an overall award for the top Three (3) places in the Optimist Red / White / Blue fleets. Each competitor in the Optimist Green fleet will receive a participation award.

13. **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

For further information please contact

Regatta Chair: Michael Younger at myounger81612@me.com or (340) 201-7314.

As of May 29, 2020, the following Hotels confirmed they were open for business:

- Holiday Inn Express and Suites – (817) 744-7755, 3541 NW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76106
- Towne Place Suites by Marriott – (817) 237-7777, 2925 Royalty, Lake Worth, TX 76135
- Best Western Plus – (817) 238-1199, 3920 Boat Club Road, Fort Worth, TX 76135
- Comfort Suites – (817) 237-2300, 5825 Quebec Street, Fort Worth, TX 76135