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TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

THE 2020 'SPRING FLING' / CANYON CHAOS REGATTA

Lake Canyon Yacht Club 180 Yacht Club Canyon Lake, TX 78133

October 17 – 18, 2020

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.

2. ADVERTISING:

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 (Club 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:

4.1 The entry fee is \$40.00 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. A late fee of \$5.00 will be assessed for registrations after **Friday**, **October 9th**, **at midnight (CDT)** – one (1) week prior to the Saturday of the regatta. Same day registrations will not be processed this year,

- and all registrations must be done online to reduce interactions between volunteers and competitors.
- **4.2** The entry fee includes one (1) regatta souvenir and a box lunch for each competitor for Saturday and Sunday. There will be neither breakfast service nor a Saturday evening meal offered this year.
- **4.3** Lunch meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$10.00 which will cover box lunches on Saturday and Sunday. Extra meal tickets must be purchased online and prior to arrival at the regatta.
- **4.4** Registration payments must be made by credit card for on-line payments. Payments at LCYC may be made by cash or check, or through LCYC billing for LCYC members only. Make all registration checks payable to "Lake Canyon Yacht Club".

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- **5.1** Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online at https://txsail.org/tsa-youth-circuit-2020/.
- **5.2** Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Saturday, October 17th, 2020, between 08:00 a.m. and 09:15 a.m. outside the LCYC Clubhouse.
- **5.3** 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.
- **5.4** All sailors are **required to check in** by 09:15 a.m. on Saturday 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.
 - **6.1.1** 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.
 - **6.1.2** 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, October 16th

17:00-19:00	The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats. Please note the gate will require an access code during this timeframe $-$ 2020 .
Saturday, October 17th 08:00-09:15	Registration outside the Clubhouse

09:30 Skipper's Meeting outside the Clubhouse (Attendance Mandatory)

10:30 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

Between Races Lunch will be eaten on the water. Race Committee may, at their

discretion, direct Green Fleet to eat lunch ashore.

Sunday, October 18th

10:00 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

1-hour After Racing Lunch and Awards Ceremony

6.3 No warning signal for a race will be given after 16:30 p.m. on Saturday and 13:30 p.m. on Sunday.

6.4 Attendance at the **Skippers' Meeting** held at 09:30 a.m. on Saturday of the regatta at the Clubhouse is mandatory.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be provided ONLINE at the TSA Website (http://www.txsail.org/) and posted on the Notice Board. In keeping with our "Green-Regatta" goals, all competitors are encouraged to download the Sailing Instructions ahead of time or view them on their personal electronic devices. A courtesy copy will be posted on the Notice Board at the Clubhouse.

8. VENUE:

Races will be conducted on the waters of Canyon Lake, Texas.

9. COURSES:

All fleets will typically sail windward/leeward, triangle, box, or Olympic-style courses. The location of courses will be announced at the Skippers' Meeting.

10. SAFETY:

- 10.1 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.
- **10.2** Sailors of double-handed class boats are encouraged, but not required, to carry an emergency safety line cutter, such as an "S-Cutter" tool or harness webbing cutter.
- 10.3 ALL PERSONS INVOLVED WITH, VISITING, AND COMPETING IN THE REGATTA ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS WHENEVER PHYSICAL DISTANCING IS NOT POSSIBLE. THIS INCLUDES WHILE ON THE DOCK PRIOR TO AND AFTER FINISHING RACING. Participants are encouraged to launch, rig and leave the dock as soon as practical before race starts. Boat recovery should also be done quickly and post-race gatherings on the dock should be limited to avoid any unnecessary congregating. Failure to follow this provision may lead to disqualification.
- **10.4** All competitors and visitors are asked to review the COVID-19 Recommended Guidelines included with the Notice of Race.

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. The number of trophies presented will be determined by the number of entries in each fleet. Participation awards will be given to all Green Fleet sailors.

13. LODGING:

- 13.1 Camping on LCYC grounds is not permitted this year. Hotels and other lodging options can be found in the nearby city of New Braunfels, TX. There are also Bed & Breakfast rentals and campgrounds in the Canyon Lake area.
- **13.2** The gate to the property will be open during the regatta. Participants should use the code **2020** for entrance if the gate is closed.
- **13.3** For the safety and consideration of other sailors, LCYC requests that all participants adhere to our **No-Pets policy at the regatta**.

14. GREEN-REGATTA GOALS:

Once again, LCYC is proud to partner with *Sailors for the Sea* in promoting green and sustainable practices at our youth regatta. We invite everyone to help us in this effort. We are asking all sailors and family members to use refillable water bottles.



15. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB:

- **15.1 From Hwy 281** go east on FM 306 about 15 miles. Turn right on North Park Road (blinking yellow light). Go 300 yards, turn right on Mt. Lookout Road. Go ¼-mile, turn right into club grounds.
- **15.2 From IH35** go west on FM 306 about 16 miles. Turn left at North Park Road (yellow blinking light). Go 300 yards, turn right on Mt. Lookout Road. Go ¼-mile, turn right into club grounds.

16. TRAFFIC CONTROL:

- **16.1** To relieve congestion, parking is not permitted on the shoulders of the road from trailer storage areas to clubhouse. A map showing designated rigging/parking areas will be available on the TSA website and on arrival.
- 16.2 The launch ramp at LCYC is a steep 19-degree grade. Safety is a paramount concern. Please follow the instructions of the on-site LCYC Launch Ramp crew, if present, or review the Launch Ramp Safety procedures posted on the LCYC web site. SAFETY CHAINS ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN USE WHENEVER A VEHICLE TOWING A TRAILER IS IN MOTION ANYWHERE ON LCYC PROPERTY.
- **16.3** There will be no launching of Coach or Spectator boats while sailors are actively launching or retrieving boats. Please plan accordingly.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION:

- 17.1 FOR THIS YEAR, PLEASE NOTE The dock and grounds at LCYC do not allow a lot of space to spread out. Current Club guidelines in place this year for maintaining physical distancing makes this even more of a challenge. Finding a suitable space for rigging boats and still providing adequate spacing will require cooperation from all competitors and visitors. To help us manage this situation, we are asking all families and teams to consider voluntarily limiting the number of support persons and visitors this year.
- **17.2** For further information please contact Regatta Co-Chairs, Debbie or Chris Fogle, via email at youthregatta@lcyc.net.

ADDENDUM COVID-19 Recommended Guidelines

Social/Physical Distancing

- Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people outside your household while on club property or at club events.
- Limits on the size and location of group activities, gatherings, and events will be determined by the Commodore, in compliance with government guidelines and restrictions, and will be communicated to members and employees.
- Members, guests, and employees should avoid enclosed places where distancing is not possible.
- Club members and employees should respect the social distancing needs of others.

Hygiene

- Individuals should wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after they have been in a public place, after blowing their nose, coughing, sneezing, or using the bathroom.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use self-provided hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid physical contact (including hand shaking, hugging, sharing food or utensils) with persons outside your family.
- Members, guests, and employees should be encouraged to wear face masks when physical distancing is not possible.
- Members, guests, and employees experiencing any communicable illness should not be on club premises or attend club functions.
- Individuals attending the club who test positive with the coronavirus, should notify club leadership and those they may have contacted while at the club. LCYC leadership will inform club attendees of individuals that have tested positive for the coronavirus while at the club.