

Notice of Race 2021 AYC Centerboard Regatta



Austin Yacht Club, 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, Texas 78734 September 18-19, 2021

COVID SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

To minimize COVID-19 related risks, all competitors will follow AYC published COVID safety guidelines. See https://www.austinyachtclub.net/37090-2/ and check for updates.

1. RULES:

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

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION:

- 2.1. The Regatta is open to all Centerboard boats and beach catamarans. Expected classes are Sunfish, Laser, Laser Radial, Opti, Portsmouth Centerboard, and Portsmouth Catamaran.
- 2.2. All boats will be assigned to a One Design Class or Handicap Fleet for scoring purposes. Assignments will be posted on the official notice board and announced at the Competitors' Briefing.
- 2.3. Catamaran Handicap and Centerboard Handicap fleets will be scored with the Portsmouth Handicap Rating System using US Sailing's current Portsmouth Yardstick (DPN) available at US Sailing site, latest revision as of September 17, 2021.
- 2.4. AYC will provide up to 18 double-handed Flying Juniors and a limited number of Lasers and Optimists on a "first come, first serve" basis. For boat reservations, contact AYC Sailing Director Emily Verdoia at emily@austinyachtclub.net. or 512-266-1336. Charter fee is \$30 per boat.
- 2.5. Register online on Regatta Network <u>here</u>. The registration link can also be found on the Centerboard Regatta page of the AYC website <u>www.austinyachtclub.net/centerboard-regatta/</u>. Early registration deadline is **6:00pm Friday September 17**. Early registration is greatly appreciated. Late registrants may not receive items that require advance planning, such as shirts and sandwiches.
- 2.6. On-site late registration may be performed at the registration table at the AYC Clubhouse from 0800 to 0930 on Saturday, September 18. All competitors must check in on Saturday morning between 0800 and 0930 to pick up their regatta package and pay any remaining amounts due.

3. ENTRY FEE:

- 3.1 Entry fee is \$35 per boat skippered by an adult, and \$25 per boat skippered by a Junior Sailor (18 or younger throughout 2021).
- 3.2 The entry fee includes participation in the Regatta and one meal wristband (for breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and lunch on Sunday). No lunches are provided on Saturday.

4. SCHEDULE:

4.1. 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. This modified RRS Appendix A.

4.2. Schedule:

Friday, Sept 17, 2021

1000 – 1930 Club will be open to allow unloading of boats

Saturday, Sept 18, 2021

0800 – 0930	Late registration and competitor check-in with complimentary breakfast
1000	Competitors Briefing under the AYC Clubhouse
1100	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

1800 Chill Caribbean Dinner

Sunday, Sept 19, 2021

0830 - 0930	Complimentary breakfast
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1030 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

1400 No first warning signal after this time After Racing Awards Ceremony. Lunch provided.

5. MEASUREMENT:

Measurement of boats is not required. All boats are encouraged to have sail numbers that conform to class rules. All boats competing in a Portsmouth Handicap fleet should submit their Portsmouth number (D-PN) handicap rating on the registration form, or contact race_commander@austinyachtclub.net to be assigned a rating.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be available on the official notice board on Regatta Network on or before September 17, 2021.

7. VENUE:

- 7.1 Races will be conducted on the waters of Lake Travis in proximity to the AYC point.
- 7.2 Accommodations Camping is allowed on the AYC grounds during the Regatta. Check the AYC website or contact the AYC office at 512-266-1336 for additional information regarding camping or other accommodations in the area.
- 7.3 Please note that fireworks, open fires, drones, and pets are not allowed on AYC property. All motorized vehicles must be fully registered and licensed and must obey all AYC posted speed limits. AYC is committed to prevent the spread of invasive species, and asks all boat owners, whether they have sailboats, motorboats, or kayaks, to clean their bilges and trailers when coming from another lake to Lake Travis, and when leaving Lake Travis headed to another lake.

8. AWARDS:

Awards will be awarded to helms-persons in accordance to the overall size of their respective Class as follows:

2-3 boats: 1 award 4-6 boats: 2 awards 7+ boats: 3 awards

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. This includes, among other risks, those associated with COVID-19, such as the risk of being

exposed to or infected by COVID-19, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. The Organizing Authority, its officers, committee persons, members, or any associates thereof will not accept any liability for and are in no way liable for any material damage or personal injury, illness, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Regatta.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION:

For additional information contact AYC at 512-266-1336, or email Centerboard Regatta Chair: Louise Miller at louise@txmiller.com, or visit www.austinyachtclub.net. For class-specific questions, contact PRO Jeff Brock at jeffbrock@me.com.